

# WAFA-Australia

Your monthly journal about WAFA-Australia  
2024 to 2027

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Call for AFAA members to allow NMC to form a sub-committee with specific terms of reference to manage WAFA Australia in conjunction with WAFA Ltd guidelines. Responses required by 31 July 2022.



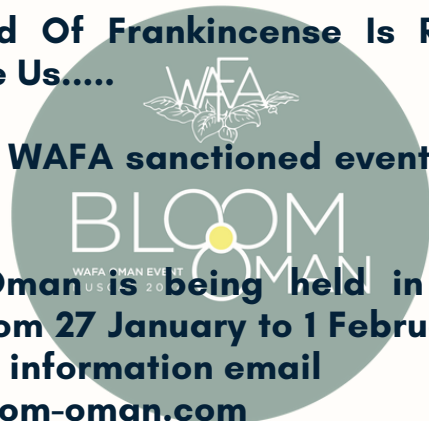
Invitation from Bloom Oman for a representative demonstrator - nominations from AFAA members to be submitted by 12 August 2022.

## Reminder

The Land Of Frankincense Is Ready To  
Welcome Us.....

The next WAFA sanctioned event is Bloom  
Oman.

Bloom Oman is being held in Muscat,  
Oman from 27 January to 1 February 2024.  
For more information email  
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## What Is WAFA?



The World Association of Floral Artists Ltd (WAFA) is a non partisan organisation that exists

- To reinforce the bonds between the various Member Countries and to fully co-operate with clubs/groups within each Member Country.
- To promote the exchange of information concerning floral art and allied interests.
- To establish a set of rules for all WAFA Competitions.
- To organise an International Floral Art Show and Seminar once every 3 (three) years which shall be open to all Member Countries.
- To promote the care and conservation of natural resources and the environment.

The Australian Floral Art Association (AFAA) is a founding Member of WAFA. We have provided attendees, competitors and judges at WAFA activities for more than 40 years as well as representation on WAFA Management Committees and Boards.

This is the FIRST time that Australia have hosted WAFA.

## What Is A World Seminar?

A World Seminar is generally held during the first part of a Host Country's tenure. For WAFA Australia this has been tentatively scheduled for August 2025.

The aim of a World Seminar is to provide WAFA Member country representatives an opportunity to learn about the Host Country - its culture, and heritage as well as introduce some unique floral art workshops.

Lasting for between 7 and 10 days, participants travel a specific itinerary within the Host Country that allows for both exploration and immersion in floral art related activities.



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## What Is A World Flower Show?

The WAFA World Flower Show, most usually referred to as "A World Show", is held once every three years towards the end of the Host Country tenure.

For WAFA Australia this has been tentatively scheduled for late February 2027.

Conducted over a week, it is a time of celebration of floral art. It is the occasion to showcase the Host Country's floral art culture as well as the best in floral design from WAFA Member countries. For those who have attended the World Seminar, it is something of a "reunion".

More than 400 designers from around the world take part in a full scale competition and there are Member country exhibits, international demonstrators, a trade show, gala dinner, WAFA General Assembly and more. Many of the sessions are open to the public.

Registration for competitors and other ticketed activities opens 12 months beforehand and closes about 10 months before the event.

## What Is A General Assembly?

As part of a World Show, WAFA holds a General Assembly which is an opportunity for both WAFA and the Host Member Country to report on their activities. It is a single day meeting of all Member countries.

Member countries represented have the opportunity to submit items for discussion by the attendees. At the most recent General Assembly in Jaipur (2020), AFAA brought to two items for discussion - membership levels to encourage a broader base of WAFA membership and consideration of point score based judging for WAFA competitions. Both these subjects are still with Member countries for consideration.

The General Assembly considers the general trends and future activities of WAFA. It is also the time when applications for new member countries are considered.



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## What's Next?

In the last week of each month, there will be a new WAFA-Australia journal issued. This allows you to be kept up to date with all relevant information directly from the WAFA-Australia Management Committee.

The formation of the WAFA-Australia Management Committee will occur during August 2022, so the next journal will introduce you to our "team".



In upcoming WAFA-Australia journals, I will be talking about the tasks ahead, who can be involved, what can be done now, the history of World Shows, quarantine matters that will relate to our World Show, the member countries of WAFA and asking you for your ideas about innovative design staging for the World Show competition.

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