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Invitations for positions on the WAFA Australia Management Committee continue to be considered.



Location of World Show announced at AFAA General Meeting

Draft Programme Released

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

The next WAFA sanctioned event is Bloom Oman. A draft programme of interesting activities is now available.

Bloom Oman is being held in Muscat, Oman from 27 January to 1 February 2024.

For more information email info@bloom-oman.com





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WAFA Australia World Show

On Saturday 10 September at the AFAA General Meeting in Perth, the venue for the World Show was announced. The World Show will be held at the National Convention Centre in Canberra.

This is a world class venue which will allow us to have all activities of the WAFA Australia World Show under one roof with the exception of the Gala Dinner which at this stage will be held in the Great Hall at Parliament House.

The Exhibition area (for the competition) is 2000 square metres with a mezzanine gallery of rooms for competitor hospitality and meetings. There is a full size theatre for the opening ceremony, award presentations and interfaith service plus four smaller theatrettes (tiered seating) for demonstrations and lectures. A dedicated registration area on the ground floor will be combined with a storage and collection facility for pre-ordered plant material. The expansive ground floor open area will house the Honorary Country displays whilst upstairs in the "Ballroom" a trade show, press room and judges meetings rooms will be available.

WAFA Australia will have exclusive use of this venue for the duration of the World Show. It is prominently located within the Canberra CBD, just a short walk to Lake Burley Griffin and many other attractions.

Canberra is not just our capital, it is geared for international events such as a World Show.





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Introducing.....

Seminar Co-ordinator -Jean Shine (WAFAS)



Jean Shine is known to many around Australia for her innovative and meticulously detailed designs. She is a qualified judge and demonstrator with success around the world demonstrating and competing in floral art activities.

Over many years Jean has attended WAFA World Shows and WAFA Seminars, making her ideally placed to bring her experience and expertise to this role.

Jean will be working closely with our Grants and Sponsorship Co-ordinator, Josie Brennan, as well as having a working group specifically for assisting with the planning and running of the WAFA Australia Seminar.

The role of Seminar Co-ordinator is part of the WAFA Australia Management Committee (WAMC).

Specifically the WAFA Australia Seminar Co-ordinator:

(a) Takes responsibility for the organisation and management of the WAFA Australia Seminar.

(b) Liaises with WAMC President and committee to develop a Seminar programme.(c) Manages promotional material and opportunities for WAFA Australia Seminar in conjunction with WAMC.



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Introducing..... World Show Co-ordinator -Ngaire Gamack (FAG of ACT)

Ngaire (pronounced Ni-ree as in diary) Gamack is a qualified judge and demonstrator and has held many committee positions with FAG of ACT, NSWFAA and AFAA.

She is an international floral art prize winner at both World Shows and online events.

From her time as a business owner for event equipment hire in the ACT, Ngaire brings experience in large scale event organisation. As a Canberra resident she also has contacts across many arenas that will assist in the management and logistics of the WAFA Australia World Show.



The role of the World Show Co-ordinator is part of the WAFA Australia Management Committee. Specifically the WAFA Australia World Show Co-ordinator:

(a)Takes responsibility for the organisation and management of the WAFA Australia World Show.

(b)Liaises with WAMC President and committee develop a show programme.

(c)Liaises with WAFA Australia World Show Chief Arbitrator for availability of international and local judges including Judges Seminar prior to World Show.

(d) Liaises with Finance Manager for registrations payments for WAFA Australia World Show.

(e)Liaises with the venue/s for WAFA Australia World Show activities.

(f)Manages promotional material and opportunities for WAFA Australia World Show in conjunction with WAMC.



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Introducing.....

World Show Chief Arbitrator -Madhu Shah (NSWFAA)



Madhu Shah is AFAA's most experienced international judge holding multiple qualifications from a number of countries for both judging and demonstrating.

She has represented AFAA internationally as a judge at World Shows as well as online competitions and at the most recent WAFA World Show (Jaipur 2020) was invited by the host country to be a part of the Honorary Judging Panel for Special Awards.

Madhu is well placed to bring her comprehensive knowledge of world competition level judging to this role.

The WAFA Australia World Show Chief Arbitrator:

(a)Takes responsibility for the organisation and management of the WAFA Australia World Show Judging Panels.

(b)Liaises with WAFA Australian World Show Co-ordinator for availability of international and local judges as well as local stewards; liaises with WAFA Australia Seminar Co-ordinator to present a session for judges as part of the Seminar programme; liaises with WAFA Australia World Show Co-ordinator to present a full day Judges Briefing prior to the WAFA Australia World Show; liaises with WAFA Australian World Show Co-ordinator to present stewards training.

(c) Facilitates communication in disputes regarding judging to establish an outcome.

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