01/ UNVEILING OF THE NEW GARDENS OF THE 22ND INTERNATIONAL GARDEN FESTIVAL

FIVE NEW PROJECTS from Canada, the United States, France and Sweden will be featured at the 2021 edition of the International Garden Festival. The new gardens will be on display at Jardins de Métis / Reford Gardens, Grand-Métis, QC, from June 26 to October 3, 2021.

The theme for the 2021 edition is Magic Lies Outside. This year’s festival strives to bring us hope, to inspire creativity and to brighten up the world as we struggle to make it through the global pandemic and get back on our feet after many difficult months of lockdown. The five projects selected this year will be integrated around the existing gardens to create an open-air museum for visitors to explore.

Visitors will enjoy more than 25 gardens, each one pushing the frontiers of contemporary design and offering a unique mix of curated environments, natural experiences, horticultural staging and human creativity. A total of 160 projects by designers from 17 countries were submitted.

The five new gardens selected for the 2021 edition are:

1. **Choose your Own Adventure**
   - Balmori Associates (Noémie Lafaurie-Debany, Javier Gonzalez-Campana, Simon Escabi, Chris Liao, Cristina Preciado, landscape and urban designers); New York, USA
   - **Photo** Balmori Associates

2. **Hässja**
   - Emil Bäckström, architect; Stockholm, Sweden
   - **Photo** Emil Bäckström, architect
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The jury was composed of:
Lydia Brown, producer and lawyer, secretary of the Board of Directors of the International Garden Festival
Marie-Claude Massicotte, Senior Landscape Architect, AAPQ AAPC, consultant and chargée de cours at the Université de Montréal
Kiel Moe, architect, Gerald Sheff Chair of Architecture, Peter Guo-hua Fu School of Architecture, McGill University
François Leblanc, Technical Coordinator, International Garden Festival
Alexander Reford, Director, International Garden Festival

The proposals submitted to the 2021 competition are exhibited online at: www.festivalinternationaldejardins.com

3. Miroirs acoustiques
Emmanuelle Loslier, landscape architect, Camille Zaroubi, landscape architect; Montreal (Quebec), Canada
Photo Emmanuelle Loslier, landscape architect, Camille Zaroubi, landscape architect

5. Porte-bonheur
David Bonnard, architect DE-HMONP, Laura Giuliani, landscaper, Armélie Viale, visual artist; Lyon, Villefranche sur Saône et Lissieu, France
Photo David Bonnard, architect DE-HMONP, Laura Giuliani, landscaper, Armélie Viale, visual artist

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4. Open Space
legaga (Gabriel Lemelin, Francis Gaignard, Sandrine Gaulin, interns in architecture); Quebec (Quebec), Canada
Photo legaga

Two projects received a special mention from the jury:
Bonheur plat
Céline Arnaudeau, multidisciplinary designer, Marc-Antoine Goyette, designer and traditional carpenter; Montréal (Québec) Canada
Photo Céline Arnaudeau, multidisciplinary designer, Marc-Antoine Goyette, designer and traditional carpenter

5_Porte-bonheur
David Bonnard, architect DE-HMONP, Laura Giuliani, landscaper, Armélie Viale, visual artist; Lyon, Villefranche sur Saône et Lissieu, France
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(in) between soils
ONE-AFTR (Joon Ma, architect, Ryu Ahn, architect); Boston and New York, USA
Photo ONE-AFTR