

Botanical & Natural History Christmas Art Market 2025



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ROYAL BOTANIC GARDENS VICTORIA

Answers to Frequently Asked Questions

The Friends of RBG Melbourne are presenting a pop-up art market in late November 2025 for sales of un-framed botanical and natural history original artworks, prints, cards and other small botanical merchandise. This is intentionally pitched at pre-Christmas shopping!

Dates:

Saturday 22 and Sunday 23, November 2025: **event days**

Friday 21 November 2025: **setup**

Times: 10am–4pm daily

Venue: Mueller Hall, Oak Lawn Entrance, Birdwood Ave, Melbourne

- Unframed limited-edition originals, prints or other related merchandise (cards, tea towels, bookmarks) must be produced from original hand drawn/painted botanical and natural history subject matter
- Artists need to be active members of The Friends (FRBG Melbourne)
- First in best dressed. Space is limited to 26 trestle tables.
- Costs: \$20 per table per day

Trestle tables with room for 2 artists are available if you want to work in pairs (at cost of \$10 **each** per day)

- 20% sales commission to the Friends of RBG Melbourne
- Free entry for all

- Artists must be present to talk to customers and facilitate their own sale
- All sales will be processed through a central payment system at a single exit point managed by the Office FRBG Melbourne
- Customers will be able to view work in progress with a practising artist-in-residence program during each day
- VOLUNTEERS
 - Please consider volunteering for a few hours during set up and pack up, roving, at doors and of course as an artist in residence. *You will be able to do this on the Registration form.*
 - There will be volunteers roving on both days to provide an overlay of security, but we strongly advise you do all you can to prevent losses of this kind (eg. Mount small prints/artworks onto A3 card to prevent slipping into carry bags)
- If you would like to participate but need a 'buddy'-artist to help you manage costs and sales support while you have rest breaks BUT need help finding a partner - WE CAN HELP. Indicate your interest in our buddy matching service
- Registration starts: **Monday 15th September** via the FRBG Melbourne website
- Closing Date: for submitting your Registration is **Wednesday 22nd October**
- Confirmation: you will receive **by no later than Friday 31st October**
- Online registrations will require bank details to set up the single central payment system.

If you have any questions, please get in touch with Debbie Law via email to botanicexhibitions@frbgmelb.org.au