

Membership Application

PLEASE PRINT ALL in BLOCK LETTERS

Name:

Postal Address:

Phone:

Email:

Date:

Please tick the appropriate boxes:

- Individual \$15
- Business/society (one representative member) \$15
- New
- Renewal

No concession memberships.

Note: Membership is from 1 January-31 December but you can join at any time of year

Payment

- EFTPOS
- I enclose cash/cheque/money order for \$.....
Please make cheques payable to **Friends of the Botanic Gardens, Cairns Inc.**

- I am using online banking to direct deposit
BSB 633-000 Account 1228 86849

Please note your name on the bank transfer and advise us by email: info@botanicfriendscairns.org.au that you have made your deposit.

RECEIPT NO.....

How did you find out about the Friends?

← PTO if you would like to volunteer your help.



For further information, contact:
Friends of the Botanic Gardens Cairns Inc.
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Phone: 07 4032 3900
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WHO WE ARE

The Friends is a group of like-minded people committed to enhancing the Cairns Botanic Gardens.

They were formed in 1989 by a small group of dedicated people and became an incorporated body in 1999.

Interests include botany, horticulture, gardening, ornithology and entomology.

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Our Objectives

- Stimulate interest and community awareness in the activities of the Cairns Botanic Gardens
- Raise funds, generate ideas and run projects to improve the Cairns Botanic Gardens
- Under the direction of the Gardens Curator, undertake approved work programs to enhance and complement the Cairns Botanic Gardens
- Promote and support horticultural and botanical science and an interest in nature in Cairns
- Promote the Cairns Botanic Gardens as a unique and major tourist attraction for the region

Some projects made possible by Friends' fundraising:

- Construction of the Cairns Botanic Gardens Conservatory and interpretative signage
- Ongoing purchase of rare plants
- Creekside boardwalks and bridges
- Decorative garden seating
- Landscaped stage and covering for public entertainment functions
- Enhancement of the Flecker Garden by stonework entrance gates
- Paved walkways and stone steps connecting various areas of the Gardens
- Acquisition of botanical art
- Rainforest creek in Aboriginal plant use area
- Conservatory / Rainforest Gully fogging machine



Membership Benefits

Join us and have the satisfaction of ensuring the conservation and preservation of the only Wet Tropics Botanic Gardens in Australia.

Growing Friends – Become part of the Gardens community, enjoy the benefits, meet new friends, get involved and have the satisfaction of helping connect people with nature.

Monthly Meetings – We meet on the second Wednesday of each month to enjoy a light snack followed by a guest speaker with opportunities to learn about nature from experts in many fields.

Monthly E-Newsletter – Keeps you up to date with Friends news and events.

Flecker Library – An extensive collection of reference books focused on tropical flora, natural history, Aboriginal plant use, garden design, entomology and much more. It is available to use during Friends House Shop hours (Mon-Fri 9:30 am - 3:00 pm).

Activities and Events:

- Daily guided tours
- Weekly bird walks
- Monthly presentations
- Wednesday plant sales
- Carnival on Collins
- Field trips.

How we raise funds:

Annual Memberships - The support of the Members is greatly appreciated and paramount to our continued successful fundraising for the Gardens.

Plant Sales – The Gardeneers are a hardworking group of Members who propagate and prepare plants for weekly trolley sales and huge plant sales that are held three times a year in April, September and December.

Other activities – Friends Shop sales and providing information to visitors, and entertainment events in the Gardens, such as *Jazz Under the Stars* and *Starry Night Cinema*.

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Please list below any skills, hobbies or experience that you would like to share, which would assist the Friends in achieving their goals.

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Contact the Friends if you would like to volunteer in one of their activities:

- Friends House gift shop and information centre
- Visitor Garden Guide
- Fundraising events, planning and coordination.

OR

To join the Cairns Regional Council's volunteer gardening program at Cairns Botanic Gardens or other Cairns areas contact Volunteers Supervisor Louisa Grandy 4032 6648 or 0429 983 252 or greenspaceourplace@cairns.qld.gov.au