

Orticolario 2017 Returns for “Avant Gardening” Under the Sign of the Moon



Registrations are now open for the International Competition “**CREATIVE SPACES**”. Applications are welcome from designers, landscapers, and artistic installations from around the globe.

Orticolario 2017 will be held on the **29th and 30th of September** and the **1st of October** in the historic grounds of Villa Erba in Cernobbio, on the shores of Lake Como (Italy).

Registration for the International Competition “Creative Spaces” is free and all applications are to be sent in writing to info@orticolario.it by the 31st of January 2017. Further details, including all terms and conditions, can be found on the Orticolario website, or by following this link: <http://eng.orticolario.it/international-competition-creative-spaces/>

The aim of this year's competition is to select innovative projects which, once brought to life within the gardens of Villa Erba, will engage with visitors and tell the story of the garden, revealing the wonder and splendour within.

Orticolario is now promoting the new edition of the International Competition for the design and creation of garden exhibits and artistic installations in the grounds of Villa Erba in Cernobbio, the home of the event.



The competition is open to all those who would like to design and create spaces within the event, where beauty meets nature. Garden exhibits and installations must be lively, original, simple, expressive and harmonious with the surroundings of the gardens of Villa Erba. Respect for the existing landscape and the ‘genius loci’ is a fundamental element to all designs as well as an ability to integrate with other exhibits selected and the provision of adequate lighting for the opening night.

THE THEME FOR THE NINTH EDITION OF ORTICOLARIO 2017 IS THE MOON

The Moon has danced around us since the dawn of time and has been a muse and inspiration for every culture, and the source of many myths and legends. As the seasons change, the Moon brings gardens and forests to life, summoning us to experience a world completely different from that which we see during the day; under her luminous gaze, plants are transformed, flowers unfurl, emitting their seductive and intoxicating scents. We invite you to observe, discover and be inspired by the purest and most beautiful of all mirrors.

THE FLOWER FOR THE NINTH EDITION OF ORTICOLARIO 2017 IS THE FUCHSIA

The official flower of this year's Orticolario is the **Fuchsia** which, with its tiny, suspended ballerinas, is sure to delight visitors over the days and nights of the ninth edition of Orticolario.



THE PRIZE, "Lake Como Golden Leaf" Award

"**Lake Como Golden Leaf**" Award designed and created exclusively for Orticolario by Gino Seguso from Vetzeria Artistica Archimede Seguso, is a dazzling vase created on the island of Murano in Venice, upon which a golden leaf shines (24K). The prize is unique and the winner is permitted to keep possession of the vase for a specified period of time before it is to be returned to the splendid Villa Carlotta in Tremezzo on Lake Como, where it is displayed until the following year of Orticolario. The names of the winners of "Lake Como Golden Leaf" Award are inscribed in the register displayed next to the prize.

The projects selected for the ninth edition of Orticolario will be judged by an international panel. In 2016 "Lake Como Golden Leaf" Award was awarded to **Spazio Floema "Vedere con le orecchie, ascoltare con gli occhi" by Satoru Tabata (Enzo, Japan).**