CONTEST RULES

The main part of each entry must be a pumpkin or a member of the Cucurbitaceae family.

Participants may not submit more than one entry as individuals, one as a family (at least one adult and one child) and four as a group (at least five and no more than thirty members).

Pumpkins may **NOT BE CARVED OR** HOLLOWED OUT

Pumpkins may not be larger than 60 cm x 60 cm x 60 cm (2' x 2' x 2'), except for those in the "biggest pumpkin" category.

Pumpkins entered may not be reclaimed during or after the contest.

Objects and materials used to decorate pumpkins may not be reclaimed during or after the contest, under any circumstances.

Objects, paper and materials of any kind may be pinned or glued to pumpkins. Participants may also draw or paint on their entries, cut designs into their surfaces or dress them up.

No electrical device may be used as part of any entry.

Each entry (except for those in the "biggest pumpkin" category) must have a title.

The Montréal Botanical Garden reserves the right to compost any pumpkin that starts to rot during the contest period.

The pumpkins become the property of the Montréal Botanical Garden, which may use them for any purpose, with no compensation or acknowledgement.

The contest is not open to employees of the Montréal Botanical Garden, contest organizers or their families.

All participants must be residents of the province of Quebec at the time of the contest.

Participants have until 7 p.m. on October 12, 2015, to submit their entries. Any entries submitted after the contest deadline will not be eligible.

The winners will be chosen at around 6 p.m. on Tuesday, October 13, 2015, at the Botanical Garden, out of all the entries received. The decision will be made in part by a jury and in part on the basis of votes from the public.

The winners will receive their prizes at the award ceremony at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 17, at the Botanical Garden. If participants cannot be present, their prizes will be mailed to their home addresses.

All winners agree to allow the Montréal Space for Life to use their names, cities, photographs and videos for advertising and promotional purposes, with no credit or other compensation.

Full contest rules are available at espacepourlavie.ca/pumpkins

KEEPING YOUR PUMPKIN IN GOOD SHAPE

 Choose a firm pumpkin, with no blemishes, and make sure the stem is firmly attached.

• First wash your pumpkin under running water.

SOME DECORATING TIPS

Use acrylic paint if you wish to paint

for cutting leather. Never puncture

• Use a glue gun and straight pins to attach decorations to your pumpkin.

• To engrave or carve designs into your pumpkin, use a knife

Halloween compost!

After the exhibition is over,

the pumpkins will be composted.

• Store your pumpkin in a cool, dry and well-ventilated place, protected from frost.

your pumpkin.

your pumpkin.



From October to November 1. the Botanical Garden and the Insectarium are presenting all kinds of activities to celebrate Halloween.

BOTANICAL GARDEN The Great Pumpkin Ball

- · Admire hundreds of decorated pumpkins
- Meet the unforgettable Esmeralda the witch
- See Pépo-citrouille, a play.
- Enter the guiz at the Squash Counter, pick up some recipes by famous chefs and learn more about Cucurbitaceae
- Have fun on the games in the Little Monsters Courtvard



INSECTARIUM Tricky Spiders

Enjoy many fascinating presentations on spiders!

 Learn more about the charms of jumping and hunting spiders, in our Naturally **Well Made presentation**

• Give a friendly "leg shake" to Quebec's arachnids & insects in the Insects on Tour presentation

• Be surprised by our **pop capsules** mini-presentations

For more information, see the fall program brochure or visit montrealspaceforlife.ca.

Insectarium 4581, rue Sherbrooke Est Montréal Botanical Garden 4101, rue Sherbrooke Est

Information: 514 872-1400 Group reservations: 514 868-3056









Pumpkin-decorating Contest

Montréal ##













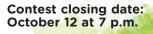
Great Pumpkin BallOctober 2 to November 1, 2015

Orange, green, striped, speckled, small, big, long, flattened ... have fun learning about the amazing Cucurbitaceae family when you enter our pumpkin-decorating contest. Turn your pumpkin into a witch, a funny character, an animal ... Let your imagination run wild!

Bring your masterpiece to Multipurpose room 1 (behind the Horticultural information desk) at the Botanical Garden Reception Centre, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. on October 2 to 8, between 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. on October 9 to 12

The masterpieces will be on display in the Main Exhibition Greenhouse until November 1.

The winners will be announced at the award ceremony, at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 17.



CATEGORIES AND PRIZES Nearly \$8,000 in prizes

INDIVIDUAL ENTRIES

Biggest pumpkin

3 prizes of \$200 to \$500 **For all**

Best-decorated pumpkin 14 prizes of \$50 to \$250

Ages:

3 to 5 • 6 to 8 • 9 to 12 • 13 to 17 • adults

Young jury prize
3 prizes of \$50
Ages:
3 to 5 • 6 to 8 • 9 to 12

FAMILY ENTRIES

Best-decorated pumpkin
3 prizes of \$75 to \$150 and
passes to the Montréal Botanical
Garden, Insectarium and Biodôme.

GROUP ENTRIES (schools, daycare centres, etc.)

A group of at least 5 and at most 30 people must have worked on entries in this category. A single prize will be awarded to the entire group. A school may enter a maximum of four pumpkins.

Best-decorated pumpkin

10 prizes of \$50 to \$200 in gift certificates and passes to the Garden, including an educational workshop.

Ages: 3 to 5 • 6 to 8 • 9 to 12 • 13 and over

Good luck to everyone!



Entries will be judged according to the following criteria:

- originality
- ingenious use of inexpensive and recycled materials
- quality of the work
- suitability of the title
- quality of the work in light of the participant's age

Please note that the judges must be able to recognize the pumpkin or squash used in the contest entry.

Entries in the "biggest pumpkin" category will be judged according to their weight when they arrive at the Main Exhibition Greenhouse. For this category, you must call 514 872-8798 before delivering your entry to the Garden.

CAST YOUR VOTE ELECTRONICALLY

Vote for your favourite pumpkin on the Botanical Garden website until 7 p.m. on October 12, and you could win one of five \$25 prizes.

montrealspaceforlife.ca

Entry form

Individual and family entries

Participant's	name:		
Parents' nam	es (father):		
(mother):			
Address:			
City:	ity: Postal code:		
Email addres	s:		
Telephone (h	ome):		
Father's offic	e:		
Mother's offic	ce:		
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Address:			
City:		Postal code:	
Email addres			
Telephone (se	chool):		
Group leader	's name:		
Group leader	's telephone (hom		
Categories:	Ages 3 to 5 9 to 12	6 to 8 ☐ 13 and over ☐	
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