

FLOWER CARPET PATRON

A historic cultural moment for the USA is happening right here in Sarasota, Florida November 8 - 10, 2024 and we need your help. Delegations of Flower Carpet Master Artists will be creating masterpieces along South Pineapple Avenue in historic Burns Square showcasing a heritage of community, culture, values, and traditions. Their medium is flowers, sands, seeds and earth, and the pavement is their canvas for their painstakingly detailed oversized works of art.

Artists will travel from Spain, Italy, Mexico, Japan, Singapore, and India, for a total of eight delegations.

Each delegation consists of 4-9 artists and will stay in Sarasota for 10 days. In order to accomplish their labor intensive artwork, they each require a local team of 10-25 volunteers, with one designated as a delegation ambassador.

It is vitally important that while we appreciate the beauty these artists bring to our community, we also showcase the beauty of our community, providing opportunities to learn about Sarasota, such as a morning outing to Siesta Key Beach, and The Ringling Museum and possible productions of music and dance.

PLATINUM POLLINATOR + \$25,000

Provides full support for one delegation of flower carpet artists to engage with our community to realize an art installation during the festival. Each team will be in town for 10 days and need a support team of 10 - 25 additional local artists, students and volunteers who will learn the techniques of cultivating natural materials, separating flower petals and materials, and ultimately help with the construction of the artwork, growing a valuable and heartfelt community around cultural connections.

GOLDEN FLOWER + \$10,000

Provides flowers and materials for one delegation of flower carpet master artists to create their artwork at the festival. Each team will need supplies and use thousands of flowers and other natural materials to realize their artwork.

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THERE ARE MANY WAYS YOU CAN HELP - Provide Sarasota hospitality and share stories, learn about each other by:

- Hosting a dinner for an artist, or delegation
- Provide lodging for a delegation or artist
- Donate gifts for delegations or artists that participate
- Volunteer with one of the delegations or be a delegation ambassador
- Provides in-kind support of materials or professional services

SILVER SPROUT + \$5,000

Provides transportation - or - lodging for one delegation of flower carpet master artists who will be in town for upward of 10 days.

BRONZE SEEDLING + \$2,500

Provides sustenance for one delegation of flower carpet master artists for the duration of their stay.

FRIENDS OF THE FLOWER \$250 - \$1000 +

Provides nurturing support that can be used to fill unexpected needs

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