

Showgrounds Hawkes Bay Karamu Frontage Landscape Design Competition

The Hawke's Bay Showgrounds are a much loved piece of the Hawke's Bay landscape and lifestyle.

We have all grown up with that "park" on the edge of Town and along with over 212,000 other people last year we enjoyed iconic events like the HB Show, Horse of the Year and the world famous Hawke's Bay Farmers Market.

The Showgrounds are currently undergoing a major redevelopment as part of a master plan to enable the Showgrounds to better support the events it currently hosts and enhance the venues ability to attract new events to the region.

Here is how you could be part of the "new look" for the Showgrounds.

We are looking for a landscape design for the Showgrounds frontage bordering Karamu Road, including ideas around enhancing the Karamu entrance. The new Karamu frontage fence has been set back to provide a planting strip in this high traffic area and we are keen to establish the Karamu gate as the main point of entry to the grounds.

We are seeking a concept plan and planting plan to be submitted by the 20th of March 2017.

Entrants are free to decide which media form best supports their ideas- digital, paper based or three dimensional modelling.

Entries are open to commercial designers, the public, students etc.- i.e. anyone that recognised the importance of the Showgrounds and the opportunity to develop how it faces out to the community.

Entries will be judged by a panel including representatives drawn from LIANZ, HB A&P Society and Local Councils; and will be displayed at the Bostock New Zealand Edible Garden Show being held at the Showgrounds on the 25th and 26th of March 2017.

The winning entry will receive

- a cash prize of \$1000
- media awareness as part of the publicity surrounding the Showgrounds development
- complimentary trade site at the New Zealand Edible Garden Show
- advertising opportunities associated with the planting

Entrants can view the frontage from the Karamu road side and the Karamu gates will be open during business hours until the 20th February. Alternatively access is available every Sunday 8.30 till 12.30 during the Farmers Market opening hours (entry of Kenilworth Road).

The frontage is 388m in total being split 208m to the South of the Karamu gates and 156m to the North with the gates comprising the balance of 24m. The frontage tapers from 2m at the Kenilworth road boundary to 1.5m at the Elwood road boundary.

The existing trees on the frontage are to be incorporated into the landscaping.

The small print

The Hawke's Bay A&P Society reserves the right to alter or vary the terms of this competition at its sole discretion.

Judges decision will be final and no correspondence will be entered into.

