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Experience *La Calavera Catrina* in the Garden

NAPLES, FL – September 19, 2022 – Get ready to immerse yourself in the Garden's yearlong theme, *Mexico: A Celebration of Plants & Culture*. The Garden will highlight Mexico's vibrant culture and biologically diverse vegetation with exhibitions, events, and programming centered around the traditions and flora of this country.

La Calavera Catrina

Kicking off the celebration is *La Calavera Catrina*, on display from Oct. 1, 2022 – Jan. 29, 2023. This exhibition will include eight larger-than-life skeleton sculptures of *La Catrina*, one of the most iconic symbols of the *Día de los Muertos* (Day of the Dead) holiday. Known for her feminine elegance and Mexican heritage, *La Catrina* approaches death not through sadness, but as a colorful celebration of life.

Designed by Los Angeles-based artist Ricardo Soltero, these 8-foot-tall, vivid

sculptures will be on display throughout the Garden's horticultural features in the Scott Florida Garden to add an element of surprise during your Garden stroll. This exhibit will also feature four papier-mâché wall-mounted monarch butterfly sculptures on display in Fogg Café and will be entirely presented in three languages: English, Spanish, and Haitian Creole. For more on *La Calavera Catrina* and other events celebrating Mexico and the Garden's collections, please visit naplesgarden.org.

La Calavera Catrina is organized by Denver Botanic Gardens.

Summer hours of 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. (8 a.m. early entry for Members) are in effect. Seasonal hours of operation from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. (8 a.m. early entry for Members) will resume Oct. 1.

Exhibition Details

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About Naples Botanical Garden

Naples Botanical Garden is where plants and people thrive together. In addition to our 170-acre showcase for tropical plants, the Garden offers a uniquely beautiful, natural, and ever-changing experience to bring our diverse community together to enjoy companionship, refuge, learning, and celebration.

Seasonal hours of operation are 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., October 1 – May 31. Members-only entry 8 – 9 a.m. daily. Visit naplesgarden.org for details.

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