

2019 National Judge



Tina Liu
Landscape Architect

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Tina Liu has practiced landscape architecture for over 20 years in a diverse range of high profile projects in Canada and overseas. As the design manager of the Capital Floral Program, she leads the design of flower bulbs in spring, annual floral display in summer and fall, and perennial bed designs based on the National Capital Floral Vision. These highly visible portfolios in Canada's Capital Region allow Tina to exercise her creativity and expertise in landscape design. Tina has been exploring different design approaches throughout the years, developing companion mixes; naturalizing bulbs; and incorporating tropical plants, vegetables, herbs and staple crops to create innovative displays, as well as enhancing pollinator and wildlife habitat while adapting to our constantly changing climate pattern.

Prior to joining the NCC in Ottawa, Tina worked in a multidisciplinary design firm in Toronto mainly focused on community planning, natural resource management, and ecological conservation landscape design. Tina is also a certified LEED® accredited professional and an advocate for green construction and environmentally sustainable design.

In leisure time, Tina loves to work in her own garden. She appreciates plants for their natural shapes, textures and other beneficial properties, not just for the colours of their blooms. She often experiments with new cultivars, hybrids and combinations in her own garden before introducing to public parklands.

Tina enjoys sharing her passion and experience by speaking at national and international conferences, horticultural societies, garden clubs and local schools. She is often found volunteering as a horticultural tour guide or a jury in community garden contests.