The Florilegium Society celebrates the Banks and Solander collection

A beautiful new limited edition publication featuring the recent botanical paintings by artists of The Florilegium Society at the Royal Botanic Gardens Sydney. The paintings link the historic Banks and Solander specimens held in the National Herbarium of NSW with the Living Collection of the three Gardens and mark the 250th anniversary of Captain Cook’s voyage in HMB Endeavour.

The focus is the time and place of the collection of these specimens, their history and invites reflection on what they mean to science, to the Indigenous peoples, to those who collected them and to the Gardens today.

The 45 paintings are reproduced in a full colour and paired with the newly digitised Banks and Solander specimen images. Written by Colleen Morris, each species has its indigenous names and uses where known, a description and quotes from the journals of Joseph Banks, Daniel Solander and artist Sydney Parkinson. It includes a preface by Denise Ora, Executive Director, Botanic Gardens and Centennial Parklands, a foreword by Dr Shirley Sherwood OBE, an introduction to the Florilegium by Beverly Allen and an essay on the Banks collection by Dr Brett Summerell, Director, Research & Chief Botanist, Botanic Gardens and Centennial Parklands.

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As our exhibition has been postponed, the book is now available from the Society by mail order from May 2020.
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