

# **GUESTS IN THE GARDEN**

Meet the amphibians - the garden's newest addition



Yoshi in his usual cozy spot. (Photo: Kan)



### The uninvited guest

"Yoshi is here again," messaged Kan in the Vertical Farming Telegram group. It was Kan's turn for daily maintenance when he noticed the frog, now lovingly named Yoshi, dwelling in a corner of the vertical farm.

Although occasionally spotted on the corridor, Yoshi prefers sticking to the tunnels of the farm. "The tunnel is his room," said Ramond, the Interest Group Leader of Vertical Farming IG.

Yoshi's presence has been made known since August when the interest group first activated the pump system for the academic year. Since then, the interest group gladly embraced Yoshi's presence in the garden. Ramond added, "(We are) probably going to invite (Yoshi) to the other parts of the garden."



Abang seen in freshly dug soil. (Photo: Patrick)

#### Yoshi is not alone

Patrick, the Interest Group Leader of Gardening IG, has also noticed frogs appearing in the garden recently. He calls them "abang" a nickname translates to "older brother" or simply "brother" in Malay. Abang has consistently appeared in a few spots, particularly in a black pot near the tapestry. "He camps inside (the pot) frequently", noted Patrick, "Sometimes on top of a lid where I do the cleaning."

Patrick added, however, that there was not only one lone frog in the garden, but two. "I think they are different. One is way smaller than the other," noted Patrick.

He was, however, not sure if the frogs he observed could be the same one the Vertical Farm IG has seen. Neither was Ramond sure, when asked. Perhaps it is time for another frog-hunting session in the garden.









#### The seas are rising, so are we!

On 23rd September, Hong Lim Park was covered in a sea of red as climate change protesters from around Singapore gathered to lobby for stricter climate policies. Along with the Write to Your MP booth, which allowed participants to directly write to their MPS, encouraging them to push for climate policies in parliament, participants could visit fun booths such as the art corner, face painting, and the games area. They could also visit information booths from key climate organisations, including NUS's very own

Students for a Fossil-Free Future. To top off the day, the show consisted of performances and speeches and from local stars RENE, Cactus Cactus, and Woes. What a protest!



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#### Tired of your clothes? Swap them.

Your cabinet's full of clothes - half of them are not even utilised. Maybe you want a brand-new makeover, but new clothes are just beyond your budget. Fret not! Pioneer House FnS is starting a Fashion Swap virtual platform, where residents can opt to trade in their old clothes for other clothes posted in the channel. Just fill in the forms, search for the ideal addition for your wardrobe in the channel, and make a swap! Eager to learn more? Follow FnS on social media to make your first swap!



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MND Website

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24 Oct

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