

Time-lapse video captures corpse plant's short-lived bloom

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More than 2,000 people visited McMaster this week to see - and smell - the corpse plant that bloomed at the Biology Greenhouse.

The flower, known as the tallest and smelliest in the world, gives off the pungent smell of rotting flesh in an effort to attract [pollinators](#).

There have only been just over 200 documented flowerings of the cultivated [corpse plant](#) since 1886, but McMaster has produced two in the last year.

Naturally found in the rain forests of Sumatra, Indonesia, the large purple flower grows upwards of five or six feet tall and can take many years to bloom.

The corpse plant's bloom was captured in a time-lapse video, below:

Provided by McMaster University

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