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DAY OF ALL POLLINATORS

21 June • Founding Manifesto

There is a day when the Earth breathes as a whole.

While one hemisphere reaches its greatest light —the longest day of the year, flowers wide open, the air thick with wings and pollen—, the other enters its deepest night, the well-earned rest of winter. It is not contradiction: it is breathing. What in one place is effort, in the other is rest. And both are equally necessary.

That is why we chose this day —the solstice— to name what is rarely named in full.

We speak of bees, yes. But also of the butterflies and moths that work by night. Of the clumsy, patient beetles. Of the flies that nobody applauds. Of the wasps, of the tiny birds that drink nectar in mid-air, of the bats that pollinate in darkness flowers no bee will ever see. Even of the ants, which in the most arid corners of the world fulfil their quiet share.

The planet does not rest upon a single species. It rests upon a multitude. And that multitude, today, dwindles.

One in every three species of bees, butterflies and hoverflies is in decline. Four in every five flowering plants depend upon someone —flying or walking— carrying pollen from one to another. When they fade, the world's table fades, and beauty fades with it.

This day does not celebrate one pollinator. It celebrates them all.

And it also celebrates a truth that nature never forgets and humans always do: that nothing flowers without resting. That the repose of one hemisphere is as sacred as the frenzy of the other. That to care for life is to care for both its halves —the one that produces and the one that sleeps.

Each 21 June, Universo Nahiara, backed by the International Association for the Defence of Flowers —Proveneya & Nahiara—, proposes to the world and declares for itself the Day of All Pollinators.

Not so that one day may be enough, but so that one day may remember what the other three hundred and sixty-four should sustain.

For the flowers. For those who visit them. For the world that breathes between them both.

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