



BIRMINGHAM BOTANICAL GARDENS

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Antiques at The Gardens Turns Six

BIRMINGHAM, AL – Antiques at The Gardens begins its sixth year on Friday, October 7 and extends through Sunday, October 9. Birmingham’s premier antiques show will feature dozens of dealers from across the United States which will turn The Garden Center into a retail market filled with American and Continental furniture, jewelry, majolica, art, rare books, Oriental rugs, silver, garden accessories, porcelain and more. The Sterne Agee First Look Party kicks off the weekend’s festivities on Thursday, October 6 – an exclusive, black-tie event offering an opportunity for guests to shop in a cocktail environment before the sale opens to the public on Friday.

This year’s Red Diamond Lecture Series welcomes renowned interior designer Charlotte Moss on Friday at 10:30 a.m. Moss has written seven books and has designed collections of china, fabric, carpet, decorative accessories and home fragrance. In June, she was included by *Elle Décor* as part of an elite group of “A-List” designers. She is among a group of the top twenty design icons, according to *Traditional Home*. Moss was the recipient of the 2010 Timeless Design Award, presented by the Royal Oak Foundation, in recognition of her work in design, historical preservation and philanthropy. Moss will be signing copies of her most recent book, *Charlotte Moss Decorates*, which will be available for purchase at the event.



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Antiques at The Gardens Schedule

Public Show Hours

Friday, October 7, 10-5pm
Saturday, October 8, 10-5pm
Sunday, October 9, 1-5pm
Tickets: \$10

Special Events

Sterne Agee First Look Party

Thursday, October 6, 7-10pm
Tickets: \$125*

Red Diamond Lecture Series

Charlotte Moss
Friday, October 7 10:30am
Tickets: \$30*

**Price includes show admission*

Proceeds from Antiques at The Gardens support educational programs at Birmingham Botanical Gardens. Since 2006, the event has raised more than \$1.6 million for The Gardens. For more information, contact Shelly McCarty at 205.414.3965 or smccarty@bbgardens.org or visit www.bbgardens.org/antiques.

About Birmingham Botanical Gardens

Birmingham Botanical Gardens is Alabama's largest living museum with more than 10,000 different plants in its living collections. The Gardens' 67.5 acres contains more than 25 unique gardens, 30+ works of original outdoor sculpture and miles of serene paths. The Gardens features the largest public horticulture library in the U.S., conservatories, a wildflower garden, two rose gardens, the Southern Living garden, and Japanese Gardens with a traditionally crafted tea house. Education programs run year round and more than 10,000 school children enjoy free science-curriculum based field trips annually. The Gardens is open daily, offering free admission to more than 350,000 yearly visitors.