



BIRMINGHAM BOTANICAL GARDENS



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Cocktails in The Gardens' Exciting Third Season Unveiled

BIRMINGHAM, AL—Cocktails in The Gardens presented by smart center Birmingham at Crown Automobile kicks off its third season August 13 from 5:30-8:30 p.m. in The Hill Garden at Birmingham Botanical Gardens. The one-of-a-kind night of music, food, mixing, mingling and cocktails is catered by The Gardens Cafe by Kathy G, who is providing hors d'oeuvres and signature drinks unique to each night. Tickets are only \$10, but members of The Gardens get in free.

Matthew Mayfield, a rising star in Birmingham's indie music scene, will be performing at the first of three Cocktails in The Gardens on August 13. Todd Simpson & Mojo Child will rock The Gardens on September 10 with their stirring blues and southern rock sound. Birmingham darlings The White Oaks, known for their unique gospel-inspired indie sound, take the stage October 8 for the final Cocktails in The Gardens of 2009.

Cocktails in The Gardens raises awareness of Birmingham Botanical Gardens activities and opportunities among young professionals, students, and the young at heart. Proceeds benefit The Gardens' education programs and its mission to promote public knowledge and appreciation of plants, gardens, and the environment.

Sponsors include smart center Birmingham at Crown Automobile, The Gardens Cafe by Kathy G, Live100.5, RealtySouth's Young Realtors Council, Southeastern Attractions, Fox 6, Birmingham Magazine, Birmingham Home & Garden, and Cool People Care. Contact Special Events Coordinator Shelly McCarty for more information at 205.414.3965 or smccarty@bbgardens.org.

About Birmingham Botanical Gardens

Birmingham Botanical Gardens is Alabama's largest living museum with over 10,000 different plants in its living collections. The Gardens' 67.5 acres contains over 25 unique gardens, 30+ works of original outdoor sculpture, miles of serene paths and a public horticulture library. The Gardens is open daily and offers free admission.