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Cocktails in The Gardens Kicks-off with FisherGreen on August 12

BIRMINGHAM, AL – Cocktails in The Gardens, Birmingham’s favorite garden party, returns for its fourth season on August 12, September 9 and October 14 from 5:30-8:30 p.m. in the Hill Garden at Birmingham Botanical Gardens. Hundreds of young professionals, garden enthusiasts and local music fans flock to The Gardens to enjoy food and libations from Occasions by Wynfrey, live music from local bands, giveaways and more. Tickets are \$15 to each event, but members get in free.

“It’s All About The Green” on August 12, with entertainment provided by the new band FisherGreen, a cast of local “musical all-stars” created by Chad Fisher and Heath Green. Occasions will serve up a selection of (free) hors d’oeuvres, including roast beef pinwheels, green apple and chicken salad, mini key lime pies, prosciutto wrapped melon and spinach fettuccini. The signature drink is the ever-popular Green Apple Martini, with wine and domestic beer also available at the cash bar.

The series continues on September 9 with the theme “Down Home Delights,” with Southern rocker Hunter Lawley entertaining the crowd and Spiked Lemonade as the cocktail du jour. Jazzy Bonus Round and Black Cherry Rum Punch round out the year on October 14 for the “Autumn Harvest Festival.”

Proceeds from Cocktails in The Gardens help support The Friends’ mission to educate the public about plants, gardens and the environment. Sponsors of the 2010 Cocktails in The Gardens series include Occasions by Wynfrey, 103.7-The Q, James Avery, Fox 6, RealtySouth Young Realtor’s Council, Southeastern Attractions, Blonde Salon and Spa, Décor by Kirsti, *Birmingham* magazine, *Over The Mountain Journal*, *280 Living* and Mia Moda. For more information visit www.bbgardens.org/cocktails or contact Shelly McCarty at 205.414.3965 or smccarty@bbgardens.org.

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.