



BIRMINGHAM BOTANICAL GARDENS

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### **Season Finale of Cocktails in The Gardens Set for October 14 with Bonus Round**

**BIRMINGHAM, AL** – The third and final installment of Cocktails in The Gardens, presented by Ford Fiesta, is slated for Thursday, October 14 from 5:30-8:30 at Birmingham Botanical Gardens. Bonus Round, one of Birmingham's most popular party bands will entertain a crowd of young professionals, music fans, garden-lovers and fun-seekers. The events, billed as Birmingham's favorite garden party, are a unique and fun way to bring attention to The Gardens' many opportunities for families, young adults, students and professionals, including volunteer programs, special events and education. Tickets are \$15, while members of The Gardens get in free.

The theme, "Autumn Harvest Festival," features Black Cherry Rum Punch for the signature cocktail. Complimentary hors d'oeuvres from Occasions by Wynfrey will include Sweet Potato Fries with Cinnamon Sugar, Fall Apple Slaw, Balsamic Grilled Vegetable Skewers, Cranberry Chicken and Arugula Pinwheels, Miniature Braised Short Rib Pot Pie and Black Pepper Crustini with Herb Cheese. Other highlights include a high-energy vehicle display from Ford Fiesta, giveaways from Mia Moda and Blonde Salon & Spa and interactive art from Brannon Hall of ArtWorks Alabama.

Proceeds support Birmingham Botanical Gardens' mission to promote public knowledge and appreciation of plants, gardens and the environment. Sponsors of the Cocktails in The Gardens include Ford Fiesta, 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 contact Shelly McCarty at 205.414.3965 or [smccarty@bbgardens.org](mailto:smccarty@bbgardens.org) or visit [www.bbgardens.org/cocktails](http://www.bbgardens.org/cocktails).

### **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.