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The Gardens Stages Record-Setting Plant Sale

Over 85,000 plants, Largest Plant Sale in Alabama

BIRMINGHAM, AL –Birmingham Botanical Gardens is preparing to stage its largest-ever Spring Plant Sale, outpacing last year’s sale by thousands of plants, and effectively making it the largest plant sale in Alabama history (over 85,000 plants). Many selections this year will be drought tolerant plants including the Signature Plant, varieties of sedum. These low-growing perennials are colorful plants for bedding, containers, and other small spaces and are the quintessential “drought busters”.

This FREE-admission event, held once again at the former Bruno’s/Vincent’s Market supermarket in Colonial Brookwood Village, showcases plants for every botanical taste and budget – with **many plants starting at only \$1**. Selections range from Southern favorites, such as native azaleas, all the way to exotic palms. Plants come from all over – some propagated in The Gardens’ own greenhouses, others from vendors statewide. All proceeds will benefit Birmingham Botanical Gardens.

Times for the Birmingham Botanical Gardens’ Spring Plant Sale are as follows:

BRIO TUSCAN GRILLE PREVIEW PARTY

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2

5-6:30p.m.

\$50 PER PERSON

MEMBERS ONLY SALE

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2

6:30-8:30p.m.

PUBLIC SALE

FRIDAY, APRIL 4

9a.m.-5p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 5

9a.m.-5p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 6

11a.m.-3p.m.

Parking will be available on both sides of the former Bruno’s. Shopping carts will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Plant varieties include: rhododendrons, vegetables, camellias, hostas, bonsai, ferns, dahlias, annuals, daylilies, trees, bedding plants, perennials, climbers, orchids, herbs, roses, natives, biennials, tropicals and shrubs.

Sponsors include Colonial Brookwood Village, Brio Tuscan Grille, Whole Foods, Magic 96.5, Buffalo Rock, Summer Classics, Johnson & Sterling, Leaf & Petal & Val Pak. For more information on becoming a member or tickets for the preview party, call 205.414.3950.

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 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 a Japanese garden with a traditionally crafted tea house. Education programs run year round and over 11,000 school children enjoy free science-curriculum based field trips annually. The Gardens is open daily, offering free admission to over 325,000 yearly visitors.