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Memphis Botanic Garden Announces Alice's Adventures at the Garden Exhibition Details, Programming, & Ticketing Information

Entering Wonderland May 2022

Memphis, TN - The Memphis Botanic Garden (MBG) today announced further details, programming, and ticketing information for the upcoming Alice's Adventures at the Garden seasonal exhibition presented by International Paper officially opening at the Garden May 8, 2022, with MBG Member Preview Days May 6 and 7. Visitors can immerse themselves in wonder and whimsy where they'll meet larger-than-life Alice in Wonderland themed sculptures constructed entirely of mosaiculture, the horticultural art of creating giant topiary-like sculptures using thousands of annual bedding plants to carpet steel armature forms. As visitors explore the Garden they'll encounter *The Red Queen* playing her curious version of croquet, *Alice* spinning through Wonderland, card guards and pawns defending *The Chess Set*, and the mysterious grin of *The Cheshire Cat*.

Each month during the "green" season, visitors can enjoy a diverse series of Alice-related programming at the Garden focusing on literacy, arts, horticulture, and more. From family-friendly tea parties and storytimes to garden chats and date nights, there is something for everyone to enjoy. And don't miss Twilight Thursdays at the Garden! Each Thursday May 12 through October 31 the Garden will be open late for dog-friendly hours with food trucks and a cash bar featuring curious cocktails.

Special Events & Programming

Advance registration or tickets are required for certain events. Events subject to change.

May

- Members Only Preview Days: May 6 & 7
- Thursdays beginning May 12 from 5-8 pm: Twilight Thursdays
- Adventure Saturday: Paint the Roses Red
- Saturday Storytime
- Adult Education: Off With Their Heads!: Roses 101

June

- Thursdays 5-8 pm: Twilight Thursdays
- Adventure Saturday: White Rabbit's Carrot
- Saturday Storytime
- Mad Hatter's Family Tea Party
- Rose & Croquet (21+)
- Garden Chat: The Herbal Magic & Mystery of Wonderland
- Adult Education: Wonderland Toadstools, Wonderland Key Hider, Mad Tea Party Charm Bracelet

July

- Thursdays 5-8 pm: Twilight Thursdays
- Adventure Saturday: Time for Tea
- Saturday Storytime
- Family Game Night
- Wonderland Planting Party (21+)
- Garden Chat: Senses Like a Cat
- Adult Education: Wonderland Toadstools, Silly Cheshire Cat Succulent Pots

August

- Thursdays 5-8 pm: Twilight Thursdays
- Adventure Saturday: Blossoming Bookmarks
- Saturday Storytime
- Mini Mosaiculture Family Planting Party
- Cocktail Garden Planting Party (21+)
- Garden Chat: Creating a Backyard Wonderland
- Adult Education: Wonderland Toadstools, Wonderland Key Hider

September

- Thursdays 5-8 pm: Twilight Thursdays
- Adventure Saturday: Alice's Tiny Adventures
- Saturday Storytime
- Mad Hatter's Family Tea Party
- Topsy Tea Party (21+)
- Garden Chat: Butterflies & Caterpillars
- Adult Education: Wonderland Toadstools, Silly Cheshire Cat Succulent Pots

October

- Thursdays 5-8 pm: Twilight Thursdays
- Adventure Saturday: Disappearing Act - Camouflage in the Garden
- Saturday Storytime
- Halloween Hike
- Wonderland Planting Party (21+)
- Alice's Ales (21+)
- Garden Chat: Plants of the Queen
- Adult Education: Growing Mushrooms at Home

Starting the first Friday after Thanksgiving, the sculptures will be transformed with light creating a winter wonderland at the Garden for MBG's seasonal holiday light display Holiday Wonders at the Garden.

"Alice with its emphasis on horticulture, literacy, and whimsy promises to be a fun, meaningful experience for guests of all ages," said Michael D. Allen, Executive Director of the Memphis Botanic Garden. "We are proud to be only the second Garden in the world to host this exhibit – coming to us directly from Atlanta Botanical Garden. We are grateful for the support of our corporate partners including International Paper, FedEx, and Barnhart Crane as well as the backing of Memphis Tourism as we present this unique exhibition to the Memphis community," said Allen.

Alice's Adventures at the Garden is presented by International Paper. With support from Barnhart Crane, Fedex, and Speer Charitable Trust. *Alice's Adventures* at the Garden was originally designed and developed by the Atlanta Botanical Garden in collaboration with Mosaïcultures Internationales de Montréal.

As part of a commitment to literacy in conjunction with *Alice's Adventures* at the Garden, MBG will distribute at least 10,000 books to school children with support from MBG's Bookworm Sponsors: Speer Charitable Trust, Janet Misner, Joe Warren and Barbara Thompson, and Conway Services Heating, Cooling, Plumbing & Electrical.

Fall down the rabbit hole and create your own adventures alongside Alice for this unique outdoor exhibit at the Garden in 2022. MBG Members enjoy free unlimited access to the exhibition by showing their membership card at the entry. Plus MBG Members can also experience the exhibition prior to the general public at two Members Only Preview Days on May 6 and 7. For non-members, tickets must be reserved online in advance and are \$12 for adults, \$10 for seniors (62+), \$7 for children aged 2-12, and free for children under 2. Tickets for May 8 through 31 go on sale April 1.

Learn more about *Alice's Adventures* at the Garden at membg.org/alice

The Memphis Botanic Garden is a not-for-profit 501(c) (3) organization dedicated to being an exemplary center for horticulture and environmental enrichment. Serving over 40,000 school-aged children annually, and hosting 225,000 visitors each year, Memphis Botanic Garden strives to enhance lives by connecting people with nature, increasing awareness and appreciation of our environment. For more information please visit membg.org.

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