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## **Delight in Not-So-Spooky Halloween Fun at the Garden this October 28**

Memphis, TN – Memphis Botanic Garden (MBG) is pleased to announce Halloween Hike at the Garden will return on October 28 from 11 am-3 pm. This not-so-spooky celebration features friendly Halloween characters, music to boogie-man down to, and some hair-raising fun throughout the Memphis Boo-tanic Garden.

Halloween Hike is a safe, daytime alternative to traditional door-to-door trick or treating with stops for treats, hands-on activities, learning opportunities, and more. Thanks to Board to Beers, University of Memphis CAESER (Center for Applied Earth Science and Engineering Research), Changing the Mindset, Children's Ballet Theater, City of Memphis Storm Water, Clean Memphis, DeMolay Tennessee, Ducks Unlimited, Girl Scouts Heart of the South, Humane Society of Memphis and Shelby County, Komics 4 Kids, Lausanne Nature Club, Mathnasium, Memphis Archaeological and Geological Society, Memphis Zoo, Midtown Montessori, MOSH, Nonconnah Creek Conservancy, Pinecrest, Prairie Farms, TN Voices, Wild Ones Mid-South Chapter, and Wolf River Conservancy.

“Community partners are integral to the Garden, and we are delighted to host so many local organizations at this year’s Halloween Hike,” said Gina Harris, Director of Education & Events. “Community involvement supports what we do year round and helps us remain an urban oasis in the heart of the city. We are pleased to offer this safe, outdoor event for all ages to experience interactive and educational fun each year.”

Attendees are encouraged to come in costume and hang out with friendly Halloween characters, such as Professor Fang, Indiana Bones, Princess Sassafras, and more, as they lead activities and say hello along the way. Plus Mexico in Memphis, Daguiltyvegan, Good Groceries Mobile Diner, and Pok Cha Egg Rolls will be on-site for a picnic lunch.

It is the perfect family-friendly way to celebrate Halloween with the little ones in the great outdoors! Advance tickets are \$10 for MBG Members and \$15 for Non-Members. Same day tickets (if still available) are \$18. Admission is free for children 2 and under. Tickets are on sale now. Visit [membg.org/events/halloween-hike](http://membg.org/events/halloween-hike) for more information or to purchase tickets.

Halloween Hike is made possible by a gift from Jenne & Tom Williams.

*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 260,000 visitors each year, Memphis Botanic Garden strives to enhance lives by connecting people with nature, increasing awareness and appreciation of our environment.*