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Memphis Botanic Garden Adds More Holiday Cheer with Returning Seasonal Favorites

Memphis, TN, November 12, 2025 — As **Holiday Wonders at the Garden** prepares to open on November 28, the **Memphis Botanic Garden** is adding even more ways to celebrate the season with three festive favorites—**Gifts of Green**, **Holi-date Night (21+)**, and **Cookies & Cocoa with Mrs. Claus**. These experiences round out the Garden’s holiday lineup, offering something festive for everyone.

“The Garden truly comes alive this time of year,” said **Gina Harris, Director of Audience Engagement**. “Holiday Wonders brings such joy to our community, and these additional experiences invite visitors to celebrate the season in even more meaningful ways.”

Gifts of Green

November 11–December 30, 2025

Open during regular Garden hours, 9 am–4:30 pm

Gifts of Green returns with an expanded footprint through the Garden’s West Gallery. This lush seasonal shop features tropical and unusual plants, stylish pots, and botanical curiosities. Perfect for gifting or sprucing up home décor. Visitors will also find ornaments, stocking stuffers, and unique treasures for every plant lover. With selections changing throughout the season, guests are encouraged to visit often for fresh finds and festive inspiration.

Holi-date Night (21+)

December 4, 2025 | 6:30–9 pm

\$35 MBG Members / \$45 Non-Members

Romance meets revelry at Holi-date Night, an adults-only evening beneath the sparkling lights of Holiday Wonders at the Garden. Couples can stroll hand-in-hand through dazzling new displays, roast s’mores by a cozy fire, and craft a miniature wreath to take home. Each ticket includes small bites, s’mores, and four signature cocktails. Food trucks will be on-site for additional dinner options. It’s the perfect night to toast the season with someone special. This event is for adults ages 21+.

Cookies & Cocoa with Mrs. Claus

December 6, 2025 | 10 am–1 pm

\$20 MBG Members / \$25 Non-Members

Families are invited to step into a winter wonderland for a morning of sugary fun and holiday magic.

Cookies & Cocoa with Mrs. Claus features festive cookie decorating, hot cocoa, creating a hand-painted mug to take home, and a “snow in a jar” craft that captures the wonder of the season. Guests can also

enjoy a stroll through the Youth Education and Tropical Plant House to learn how holiday ingredients like cocoa and cinnamon begin their botanical journey, and, of course, take a photo with Mrs. Claus herself.

“These events have become part of what makes the Garden such a special place to celebrate the holidays,” said **Olivia Wall, Director of Marketing & Communications**. “Whether you’re shopping for the perfect plant, toasting under the lights, or sharing cookies with Mrs. Claus, each one brings a little extra magic to the season.”

Proceeds directly support the Memphis Botanic Garden.

Tickets & Event Details:

- Tickets and details for all events, including Holiday Wonders at the Garden presented by MLGW, are available at membg.org

About Memphis Botanic Garden

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.

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