

## TAKING PHOTOGRAPHS AT HUNTSVILLE BOTANICAL GARDEN

Huntsville Botanical Garden allows photography in its gardens and facilities under specific guidelines which are established to protect the experiences of casual visitors, to preserve the integrity of the Garden as a preeminent location for bridal and other formal portraits, and to protect the Garden's image.

Please be careful where you stand. If you are standing in an area where there is a high flow of traffic, please be courteous to other visitors of the Garden. Please do not stand in any clusters of plants or flowers where there is a chance that they may be broken or damaged.

Please make sure to wear appropriate attire at all times as we are a family-friendly attraction.

## **Personal Photography Policy**

The Garden will permit guests to take photos and videos with cell phones and handheld cameras, including video cameras, at any time for personal use. The Garden encourages guests to post their photos on social media and tag the Garden using #hsvgarden.

The sale of photos and videos taken at the Garden without express written consent of the Garden is strictly prohibited.

The use of professional grade camera equipment, including light stands, rolling equipment bags, bounce cards, stools, apple boxes, props, or other similar items, is strictly prohibited without express permission. The Garden may allow tripods and monopods during lower visitation periods or in lower traffic areas.

Selfie sticks are permitted.

Drones are prohibited without prior approval (see separate Drone Photography Policy).

The Garden allows posed photography sessions during select times. Please see our Professional Photography Policy (below) or check with our Hospitality Services Department for more details.

The Garden will permit promotional and commercial photo and video shoots with prior arrangements. These shoots will require a sitting fee and must be scheduled by calling the Hospitality Services at 256.830.4447 ext. 251 or 258.

All Garden guests grant their permission to Huntsville Botanical Garden to utilize their image, likeness, and/or voice in photos and videos for any purpose whatsoever in perpetuity throughout the universe.

## **Professional Photography Policy**

Fees paid to the Garden for sessions below support the mission of Huntsville Botanical Garden.

Professional photography requests and reservations are made through the Hospitality Services Department. A sitting fee is required. Reservations must be made for every photography session. Showing up without reservations may result in the refusal of allowances due to events previously scheduled.

Restrooms cannot be used as dressing rooms. Changing rooms are not available. Please arrive dressed for your photo shoot.

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You may get a rain check for inclement weather. If you have paid a sitting fee and have only used a portion of the time allotted because of foul weather, you may use the balance of your time another day. Please report your departure to the Admissions Desk and reschedule with Hospitality Services.