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Huntsville Botanical Garden goes "green" in honor of Go Public Gardens Days, May 12-21

Local businesses encouraged to show support by turning display lights green on May 12

HUNTSVILLE, Ala. (May 8, 2023) – Huntsville Botanical Garden (HBG) and the American Public Gardens Association (APGA) announce **Go Public Gardens Days**, an international celebration of public gardens, **May 12–21, 2023**.

<u>Go Public Gardens Days</u> is the annual Spring observance of APGA's ongoing Go Public Gardens campaign to drive attention and attendance to botanical gardens and arboreta across North America and the world.

Landmarks, buildings, bridges, and public gardens around the country—including Huntsville Botanical Garden—will light up green on Friday, May 12 to mark the start of Go Public Gardens Days.

Businesses and organizations in Huntsville, Madison, and Madison County are encouraged to join the Garden in illuminating their buildings with green lights in recognition of the benefits public gardens provide for their communities. Participants are asked to post photographs of their buildings with green lighting on social media with the official hashtags: #GoGreenLighting #GoGreenLighting2023 #GoPublicGardensDays #GoPublicGardens #NationalPublicGardensDay.

With dozens of cities represented, a full list can be found on the Go Public Gardens Days website: https://www.publicgardens.org/programs/go-public-gardens/go-green-2023

The Association's 600+ members in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Canada, and around the world join in this celebration with public events and special offers during the week. Find gardens near you on the Garden Map at go.publicgardens.org.

A full list of these garden profiles can be found at gopublicgardensdays.org or gpgd.info.

About Huntsville Botanical Garden

Huntsville Botanical Garden is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that exists to connect people to plants in order to support a healthier quality of life for the region. Open year-round, the Garden contains diverse ecosystems to explore within its 118 acres. From grassy meadows to woodland paths, aquatic habitats to stunning floral collections, the Garden invites guests of all ages to discover the beauty and wonder of the natural environment. For more information, visit <a href="https://doi.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.100