



## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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## **FRANKLIN PARK CONSERVATORY CLOSING TO PUBLIC AMID COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

Columbus, OH— In response to COVID-19, the Franklin Park Conservatory will be closed to the public for three weeks starting Friday, March 13. The health and safety of our visitors and staff is our top priority, and this decision was made in alignment with official health and government recommendations. We will continue to follow this quickly developing situation and provide any updates on the Conservatory's webpage ([fpconservatory.org](http://fpconservatory.org)) and social media channels (@fpconservatory).

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*Franklin Park Conservatory and Botanical Gardens offers world-class horticulture, art and nature-based exhibitions, and educational programs for all ages. Situated on 40 acres on the eastern side of Franklin Park, the Conservatory features the historic 1895 John F. Wolfe Palm House; 83,000 square feet of glasshouses; botanical gardens including the Scotts Miracle-Gro Foundation Children's Garden; and meeting and event spaces. The Conservatory owns the largest collection of glass artwork by Dale Chihuly in a botanical garden and is home to internationally recognized light artist James Turrell's Light Raiment II, which illuminates the John F. Wolfe Palm House every evening from dusk until dawn.*