



***INSPIRED BY HORTICULTURE, FRANKLIN PARK  
CONSERVATORY AND BOTANICAL GARDENS  
ELEVATES QUALITY OF LIFE AND CONNECTS  
THE COMMUNITY THROUGH EDUCATIONAL,  
CULTURAL AND SOCIAL EXPERIENCES.***



**Franklin Park Conservatory  
and Botanical Gardens**

## **SUMMER AT THE CONSERVATORY!**

**The summer brochure this year is digital!  
There's a new page on the Conservatory website that  
functions in tandem with the digital brochure, so you can  
easily find more information on everything listed.  
Please visit: [fpconservatory.org/summer-brochure](https://fpconservatory.org/summer-brochure)**

Time spent outdoors benefits us all—making for happier childhoods and healthier adulthood. Research shows being in nature improves physical health, reduces anxiety and stress, and fosters creativity. But most of us don't need research to tell us that—we feel it. The Conservatory's gardens, plant collections and nature-infused exhibitions are the healing balm our community needs, especially during this challenging time.

A gift to our annual fund helps ensure that the Conservatory remains a vibrant and vital part of our community, providing a safe and beautiful space for us to connect with nature, and each other.

To support the Conservatory, please visit:  
[fpconservatory.org/get-involved/giving/](https://fpconservatory.org/get-involved/giving/)





The Conservatory's vision is a world that celebrates nature as essential to the human experience. The COVID-19 pandemic has required changes from everyone but our vision remains the same.

In order to continue striving toward our vision, new procedures have been implemented in order to keep our guests, employees, and communities healthy.

## A NEW VISITOR EXPERIENCE



- 🌿 **TICKETING:** All guests, *including members*, should reserve their timed-entry tickets online before their visit. Walk-in ticket sales and membership entry will only be available if we have not met guest capacity limits. Credit cards are the preferred payment method.
- 🌿 **MEMBERSHIPS:** Please make all membership purchases or renewals online before your visit.
- 🌿 **FACE COVERINGS:** The Conservatory strongly requests the use of face covering unless you have a medical exception or are 2 years of age and under.
- 🌿 **DISTANCING:** Maintain a 6-foot distance from others not in your party.
- 🌿 **SANITATION:** Keep hands clean and sanitized. Sanitizing stations are placed throughout the Conservatory.
- 🌿 **ONE-WAY TRAFFIC:** Some spaces require a one-way traffic flow. Look for signs directing traffic.
- 🌿 **CHILDREN'S GARDEN:** To maintain a safe capacity in the Scotts Miracle-Gro Foundation Children's Garden, only a limited number of guests will be allowed in at a time. There will be a line to wait for entry.
- 🌿 **BOTANICA GIFT SHOP & GREENHOUSE:** Capacity will be limited with a marked one-way traffic flow.
- 🌿 **DOORWAYS, RAMPS & ELEVATORS:** One party at a time in these spaces.
- 🌿 **VULNERABLE HOURS:** On Thursdays, the Conservatory will open at 9am for guests with high-risk considerations, such as seniors or individuals with compromised immune systems. Tickets must be reserved in advance online.

Thank you in advance for observing these new procedures. We ask that you abstain from visiting the Conservatory altogether if you're experiencing symptoms. Together, we can protect each other's health while still enjoying the beauty of the Conservatory.

## BONSAI

ON VIEW THROUGH NOVEMBER 1, 2020

Journey through the Dorothy M. Davis Showhouse and the Bonsai Courtyard and experience new ways to reflect and view specimens from the Conservatory's bonsai collection.

Trees on display will rotate on a regular basis, offering distinct viewing experiences throughout the run of the exhibition.



# SUMMER 2020 EXHIBITIONS

## PAUL BUSSE GARDEN RAILWAY

July 1, 2020– January 10, 2021

Paul Busse Garden Railway, located in the Grand Mallway, invites visitors to immerse themselves in model trains whirling across 1,122 feet of track through four unique botanical themes.

Explore four enchanting botanical villages, with themes of fairytales, the Wild West, animal habitats, and European travels.

Guests can wind their way through a miniature world of 51 botanical models made from all-natural plant material gathered in fields and forests near and far while nine G scale model trails whiz overhead and below.



## CHIHULY COLLECTION

ON PERMANENT VIEW

Nineteen installations of the stunning Dale Chihuly glass artwork that were on display for *Chihuly: Celebrating Nature* and Chihuly Nights will remain on view permanently at the Conservatory. This constitutes the largest private collection of Chihuly artwork in a botanical garden. The pieces are placed thoughtfully throughout the biomes to accentuate the diversity and beauty of nature.

Chihuly Nights are returning on the second Saturday of July through October from 7–10pm. Enjoy the vibrant colors of the Conservatory's private collection of Chihuly glass when the installations visually transform in the dusk and evening light. Special engagement admission and membership rates apply.



Dale Chihuly, *Persian Ceiling* (detail), 2003, 6 x 10'  
Franklin Park Conservatory and Botanical Gardens, Columbus, Ohio © Chihuly Studio

# COLOR TO DISCOVER

Enjoy the beauty of summertime gardens at the Conservatory, bursting with thousands of flowers in every color of the rainbow.

Nearly 250 eye-catching containers and hanging gardens round out the seasonal displays, all of which are guaranteed to delight.

Whimsical pieces from the Conservatory's topiary collection accent the garden displays. Discover all 11 works of living art including a butterfly, lion, elephant, cardinal, pot of gold and our famous flamingos!



## VIRTUAL FIELD TO TABLE 2020

*Field to Table* is going virtual!

While we can't hold our traditional gathering in person, we can still come together to raise awareness and critical funds to support Conservatory programs.

Help sustain community gardens that address food insecurity, while expanding accessibility initiatives at the Conservatory. Join us for our August 28 virtual event -- you can even host your own Field to Table-inspired celebration in your own backyard!

To join the party, make a gift online at  
[fpconservatory.org/fieldtotable](https://fpconservatory.org/fieldtotable)

## THE SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO FOUNDATION CHILDREN'S GARDEN

There's endless fun at The Scotts Miracle-Gro Foundation Children's Garden!

Kids can be kids thanks to this incredible play and education area that spans 2-acres of the Conservatory grounds. Take on the Canopy Walk and Floating Boardwalk, construct a magical Faery House, or immerse in the Sensory Garden, all while learning about the importance of the natural world.

The Children's Garden is included with admission and is one of the many experiences children will enjoy at the Conservatory.



# PRIVATE EVENTS AT THE CONSERVATORY

**Host your special day in a setting you'll never forget!**

Choose from a selection of beautiful, botanical venues at the Conservatory, which can be tailored to fit your personal vision and design.

We are currently booking weddings, intimate ceremonies, and corporate and social events for 2021 and 2022.



## BOTANICA GIFT SHOP & GREENHOUSE

Botanica offers unique merchandise, from plants to beautiful, locally handcrafted goods. Named an award-winning gift shop, Botanica offers a seasonal variety of home decor, books, garden accessories, tropical houseplants and patio plants, bonsai and perennials. Botanica also has a wonderful selection of toys, educational items, and books for children.

**Members receive a 10% discount on all regularly priced merchandise.**

## PLANT SOCIETIES

The Conservatory is partners with many local plant societies. These societies are made up of passionate and knowledgeable people who are dedicated to learning, growing and teaching about a specific plant, plant family, insect species, or a specific plant art form. Many of the societies belong to a larger national organization.

The past months have led to more people spending their time taking care of plants. Plant Societies can serve as a reliable source of information on the topics they specialize in. They can also provide a virtual community for those taking care of plants on their own.

Typically, the Conservatory offers a public place for meetings, sales and exhibits. Although they are canceled for now, these events will be brought back in the future. In the meantime, information for each society, as well as any future events, is listed online



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