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HARVEST BLOOMS 2021 BEGINS THIS WEEKEND

COLUMBUS, OH — If you go to one place to experience the beauty of fall, let it be *Harvest Blooms* at Franklin Park Conservatory and Botanical Gardens, opening this weekend! One of the most photogenic exhibitions of the year, *Harvest Blooms* is the place for fall gardening inspiration and home to two iconic pumpkin houses.

Presented by Fahlgren Mortine, [Harvest Blooms](#) is open daily from Sept. 25 to Oct. 31, 2021. *Harvest Blooms* is a daytime experience included in general admission, and is complemented by the [Pumpkins Aglow](#) experience held select evenings in October.

A fan-favorite in years past, both pumpkin houses will be returning to *Harvest Blooms*. While only one house was on display last year, the Conservatory's second, play-sized pumpkin house is back this year!

The exhibition features thousands of heirloom gourds and pumpkins, as well as hundreds of mums, brassicas, pansies and fall plants. *Harvest Blooms* is a chance to enjoy the old-growth trees in the Grand Mallway as they change color, and to spot interesting fall fruit growing on trees in the Children's Garden, such as buckeyes, pawpaws and sumac.

Harvest Blooms is primarily an outdoor experience, spanning from the front entrance garden beds and the Scotts Miracle-Gro Foundation Children's Garden and throughout the Grand Mallway. Accents of fall also touch the container gardens throughout the interior Conservatory building, especially in the outdoor rooftop gardens and inside the Dorothy M. Davis Showhouse.

Harvest Blooms kicks off with the annual [Glass Pumpkin Patch Sale](#), featuring hundreds of collectable glass pumpkins and seasonal items handcrafted by local artisans. The sale will be open to the public on Sept. 24-26 from 11am-4pm, and to *Pumpkins Aglow* visitors every night of *Pumpkins Aglow*.

Harvest Blooms visitors will have access to several other ongoing exhibitions, including the [Paul Busse Garden Railway](#), an outdoor model railway spanning across the Grand Mallway that transforms with the seasons.

Other exhibitions include [Resilience in Nature: We Are the Roses that Grew from the Concrete](#) (open through Nov. 28) and [Sister Cities: Horticultural Sites, Events, and Developments](#) (open through Oct. 24).

For more details, please visit fpconservatory.org/exhibitions and follow fpconservatory on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.

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Dates: Sept. 25-Oct. 31, 2021

Times: 10am-5pm (except on Pumpkins Aglow dates, when Harvest Blooms closes at 4pm)

Price: Included in general admission, listed here: fpconservatory.org.

Safety: Per the City of Columbus, all guests are required to wear masks in the indoor spaces.

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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.