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DEEDEE GLIMCHER HONORED WITH ANN ISALY WOLFE AWARD

COLUMBUS, OH – The Ann Isaly Wolfe Award is presented by Franklin Park Conservatory and Botanical Gardens to an individual who exemplifies the Conservatory's values and has fostered the organization's growth. DeeDee Glimcher is this year's honoree. Her decades of service to the Conservatory will be celebrated at *Les Chapeaux dans le Jardin* on May 6th, 2022, when the award is formally presented.

DeeDee Glimcher's dedication to the Conservatory is rooted in a childhood love of nature that began at Kingwood Center Gardens. She strives to provide children with the same life-long connection to the beauty and wonder of the natural world. She studied landscape architecture at The Ohio State University. This background has made her an invaluable volunteer, advisor and supporter of the Conservatory for over twenty years.

"DeeDee's deep connection to nature makes her a truly passionate advocate for the Conservatory's mission," said Conservatory President & CEO Bruce Harkey. "Her support as a donor and advisor in our past capital campaigns has helped create some truly spectacular garden landscape spaces on our campus—spaces that elevate quality of life for the entire community. DeeDee is also a longtime member of our Women's Board, and served as a past chair of Hat Day. Her ongoing impact on the Conservatory, coupled with her service as a board member for numerous arts and philanthropic organizations, demonstrate a truly meaningful impact on the vibrancy of our city. We are honored to recognize DeeDee's dedication with the Ann Isaly Wolfe Award."

DeeDee's lasting impact extends to arts and cultural organizations beyond the Conservatory. She has held leadership roles at the Columbus Metropolitan Library, Columbus Museum of Art, Greater Columbus Arts Council and more.

Previous recipients of the Ann Isaly Wolfe Award include:

2021: Nancy Cardenas
2019: Cindy Rasmussen
2018: Karen Fiorile
2017: Barbara Brandt
2016: Alexis Jacobs
2015: I. Lorraine Thomas
2014: Beth Fisher
2013: Beth Henry
2012: Liz Fox
2011: Paige Crane
2010: Barbara Trueman
2009: Beth and Doug Morgan
2008: Pamela Farber Thomas
2007: Mo Meuse
2006: William H. Davis, Dorothy M. Davis and William C. Davis Foundation & Bill and Jackie Wells
2005: Cherie Lucks
2004: Ann Isaly Wolfe



The 21st anniversary of *Les Chapeaux dans le Jardin*—known as Hat Day—promises to be another fabulous event. In addition to the award ceremony, guests will enjoy a luncheon and fashion show from Saks Fifth Avenue, all while benefiting the Conservatory’s youth education and outreach programs. Hat Day has supported programs that have positively impacted the lives of hundreds of thousands of individuals, having raised more than \$4.9 million to support the Conservatory’s mission over the last 20 years.

Hat Day 2022 has been planned under the leadership of co-chairs Tina Skestos & Thomas F. Havens. Sponsors of this year’s event include Presenting Sponsors The Davis Foundation, Tina Skestos & Thomas F. Havens, and Wolfe Associates Fund.

Due to strong community support, Hat Day tickets are sold out this year. A wait list is available for interested parties. More information is available on the Conservatory’s website (fpconservatory.org/hat-day) or through the Development Officer for Special Events (jfagan@fpconservatory.org).

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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.*