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## ***PUMPKINS AGLOW RETURNS TO FRANKLIN PARK CONSERVATORY***

Columbus, OH — *Pumpkins Aglow* brings hundreds of jack-o-lanterns, enchanting light displays, family-friendly entertainment and more to Franklin Park Conservatory and Botanical Gardens on select evenings: October 11-15, 18-22 & 25-29. Tickets for this fan-favorite Special Engagement are selling fast so make sure to reserve your tickets soon.

*Pumpkins Aglow* transforms the outdoor gardens into a glowing pumpkin patch. Hundreds of jack-o-lanterns—carved by Conservatory staff, members and volunteers—illuminate the gardens which are filled with bewitching scenes. Visit returning favorites, the gardening skeletons and Pumpkin Houses, and new bewitching displays, the pumpkin tunnel light show and an alien invasion. The decorations are spooky but fun, as *Pumpkins Aglow* is meant for all ages to enjoy.

Accenting the scenes are the rich horticultural displays of [Harvest Blooms](#), another fall exhibition on display during admission from September 23 through October 29, 2023. The entire Conservatory is open these evenings, including the indoor plant [collections](#), the [Chihuly Collection](#), [Paul Busse Garden Railway](#) and [Franklin the Peoples Park](#).

Each evening includes entertainment such as crafts, pumpkin-themed lawn games and a family-friendly dance area. Watch light-up jugglers October 11-15, Wheel of Death on October 18-22 or a sway pole witch October 25-29. The [Glass Pumpkin Patch](#) will be available each evening for visitors to purchase glass pumpkins made by local artists and other autumn-themed items.

Visitors looking for refreshments during the experience can purchase food from the indoor Garden Café and a rotating set of outdoor food trucks. An outdoor cash bar will serve beer, wine and a specialty cocktail, as well as non-alcoholic drinks and mocktails.

For more information, please visit [fpconservatory.org/pumpkins-aglow](https://fpconservatory.org/pumpkins-aglow), and follow the Conservatory on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) or [TikTok](#).

### ADDITIONAL DETAILS:

- *Pumpkins Aglow* is open 5-9pm, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Sundays, and 5-10pm Fridays and Saturdays (Oct. 11-15, 18-22 & 25-29).
- Please note that the Conservatory closes for the day experience at 4pm on *Pumpkins Aglow* evenings. Doors open at 5pm for Special Engagement *Pumpkins Aglow*.
- Special Engagement tickets are required and are separate from General Admission tickets.



- Reserving tickets in advance is not required but strongly encouraged. Many evenings will sell out and tickets will not be available at the door.

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*Franklin Park Conservatory and Botanical Gardens offers world-class horticulture, art & nature-based exhibitions and educational programs. The 13-acre indoor and outdoor facility—situated two miles from downtown Columbus—features glasshouses including the historic John F. Wolfe Palm House; botanical gardens including the Scotts Miracle-Gro Foundation Children’s Garden and Scotts Miracle Gro-Foundation Community Garden Campus; and event venues. The Conservatory is home to the largest collection of Chihuly glass in a botanical garden and Light Raiment II by internationally renowned artist James Turrell. Committed to the community, the Conservatory strives to provide an accessible and welcoming experience to all.*