

# 2020 SPECIAL EVENTS

## Winter Camellia and Cold Hardy Annual Displays

*Dates: January 2 – February 29, 2020*

- See Bellingrath's famed Camellias and an interesting winter garden filled with the blooms of ornamental kale, mustard and cabbages, pansies and violas, primroses, cyclamen, tulips, daffodils and hyacinths.

## Winter Wednesdays

*Dates: January 8 – February 26, 2020*

- Join us on Wednesdays in January and February for special programs. Topics include gardening, history and the collections in the beautiful Bellingrath Museum Home.

## Mobile Area Orchid Society's 43rd Orchid Show and Sale

*Dates: February 28 – March 1, 2020*

- Mobile Area Orchid Society members will display their best orchids and will be available to answer questions and provide tips on growing and caring for orchids. Vendors will also be selling orchids, supplies and accessories.
- Hours: Noon-5 p.m. on Friday and Saturday; 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sunday.

## Spring Azaleas

*Dates: March 1-March 31, 2020 (dates may vary depending on the severity of the winter)*

For precise times of the azalea blooms, please check ***Azalea Watch*** at [bellingrath.org](http://bellingrath.org).

- Enjoy the blooms of more than 250,000 vibrant azaleas in an explosion of color throughout the 65 acres of Bellingrath Gardens.
- Hydrangeas, Easter lilies, fuchsia, geraniums, wave petunias, cape daisies, delphiniums and more will be featured throughout the Gardens.

## 27th Annual Festival of Flowers

*Dates: March 26-29, 2020*

- Join us at Providence Hospital's Festival of Flowers, the largest outdoor flower show in the Southeast, which will feature garden displays, art exhibits, gardening seminars and vendors. Make a weekend of it! Spend a day at the Festival and a day at Bellingrath Gardens and Home. For information about special group packages to attend both, please call 251.459.8727 or email [bellingrath@bellingrath.org](mailto:bellingrath@bellingrath.org).

## Easter Egg Hunt and Breakfast with the Easter Bunny

*Date: Saturday, April 4, 2020*

- Hop on down to the Gardens for our annual Easter Egg Hunt. There will be special hunts for toddlers and older kids as well as prizes, candy, activities and pictures with the Easter Bunny.
- Join us for the 6th Annual Breakfast with the Easter Bunny in the Magnolia Café.

## Easter Sunrise Service

*Date: Sunday, April 12, 2020*

- As the sun rises over Bellingrath Gardens and Home on Easter Sunday, join us for a special Sunrise Service on Live Oak Plaza. The service will begin at 6:30 a.m. and is open to everyone in the community. An offering will be collected to benefit Family Promise of Coastal Alabama, an organization that helps homeless families. There is no admission charge from 6 to 8 a.m. on Easter Sunday. A hot breakfast will be available for purchase in the Magnolia Café after the service.

### **27th Annual Camellia Classic Open Car Show**

*Date: Saturday, April 18, 2020*

- Stroll among hundreds of classic and vintage automobiles displayed on the Great Lawn at the Mobile Bay Mustang Club's 27th Annual Camellia Classic Open Car Show. Snacks and lunch will be available to purchase on the Great Lawn and in our Magnolia Cafe.

### **Rose Bloom Out at Bellingrath**

*Dates: April 13-30, 2020*

For precise times of the blooms, please check **Rose Watch** at [bellingrath.org](http://bellingrath.org)

- Tour the Bellingrath Rose Garden during its first bloom, which features more than 35 varieties of All-American Rose Selections and more than 2,000 roses.

### **Evening Garden Stroll to celebrate National Public Gardens Week**

*Date: Thursday, May 7, 2020*

- National Public Gardens Week is celebrated nationwide to promote the important role of public gardens in promoting environmental stewardship and awareness. Stroll through the Gardens after hours and enjoy gardening demonstrations, refreshments, and special discounts on new spring merchandise in our Gift Shop.

### **Mother's Day Evening Garden Concert**

*Date: Sunday, May 10, 2020*

- The Mobile Symphony Youth Orchestra and Bellingrath Gardens and Home present their annual Mother's Day Evening Garden Concert at 5:30 p.m. Enjoy a late afternoon of music in the beautiful surroundings of the Gardens! Guests are encouraged to bring a picnic supper.

### **Wonderful Wednesdays**

*Dates: Wednesdays from June 3 to July 29, 2020*

- Who knew Wednesday could be so wonderful? Every Wednesday, enjoy a special program about Bellingrath Gardens and Home, gardening, local history and nature. Topics include summer gardening, horticultural production techniques and the collections in the Bellingrath Home. Topics include gardening, the Home collections, local history and nature.

### **Mr. Bellingrath's Birthday**

*Date: Thursday, August 6, 2020*

- Walter Duncan Bellingrath was born August 6, 1869. Celebrate Mr. Bellingrath's 151st birthday with us as we offer free Gardens admission for local residents (Mobile and Baldwin Counties).

### **Boo at Bellingrath**

*Date: Saturday, October 24, 2020 • 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.*

- Dress up your little goblins and enjoy a day of Halloween fun at Bellingrath. The Gardens will be decorated with spooky and fun inflatables. There will be plenty of treats and trinkets from area organizations and businesses for trick-or-treaters to enjoy. Guests are also invited to enjoy culinary delights from local food trucks.

### 57th Annual Fall Outdoor Cascading Chrysanthemums

*Dates: November 1 – November 30, 2020*

For precise times of the blooms, please check **Mum Watch** at [bellingrath.org](http://bellingrath.org), beginning November 1.

- See America's largest outdoor display of chrysanthemums. Garden mums are featured in the floral borders, containers and terraces of the Gardens. See fantastic cascade mums on bridges, balconies and in baskets in the fall colors of red, yellow, bronze, orange and white throughout the Gardens.

### 25th Annual Magic Christmas in Lights

*Dates: November 27 to December 31, 2020 (Closed December 25th)*

- Enjoy one of the most popular holiday events in the Southeast. Stroll through the Gardens to view 3 million twinkling lights in 15 scenes with more than 1,100 custom designed set pieces. Tour the Bellingrath Home decorated in its holiday finery. Extended hours until 9 p.m. There will be photos with Santa each night through December 23. Complete your holiday shopping in the beautiful Bellingrath Gift Shop! Event prices apply. Ticket sales open on [bellingrath.org](http://bellingrath.org) on November 1, 2020.

*(Unless otherwise noted, regular admission prices are charged to attend special events.)*