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Little Monsters Mash brings family-friendly Halloween fun to Huntsville Botanical Garden

HUNTSVILLE, Ala. (October 6, 2026) – Costumes, pumpkins, music, games and plenty of treats are taking over Huntsville Botanical Garden on Saturday, October 10, during **Little Monsters Mash**, a festive daytime Halloween celebration created especially for young children and the grown-ups who love making memories with them.

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., families are invited to come dressed in their favorite costumes and enjoy a morning of trick-or-treating, hands-on activities, music, games and seasonal fun throughout the Garden. Guests can explore the Scarecrow Trail while collecting treats, decorate a no-carve pumpkin to take home, dance to family favorites with a live DJ and enjoy fall photo opportunities throughout the Garden.

Event highlights include:

- **Trick-or-Treat Trail:** Follow a festive route through the Garden to collect plenty of sweet treats along the way.
- **Costume Contests:** Guests can show off their Halloween spirit and compete for prizes, with Most Creative Homemade Costume at 11 a.m., Best Family Group Costume at noon and Best Character Costume at 12:45 p.m.
- **Inflatables and Lawn Games:** Kids can burn off some energy with family-friendly inflatables and classic outdoor games.
- **Face Painting and Balloon Twisting:** Complimentary face painting and balloon creations add even more colorful fun to the day.

- **Pumpkin Decorating:** Children can decorate their own no-carve pumpkin to take home as a seasonal keepsake.
- **Harvest Photo Stops:** Festive displays throughout the Garden provide plenty of opportunities for fall family photos.
- **Music:** A live DJ will keep the celebration moving with upbeat family favorites.
- **Seasonal Treats:** Concessions, seasonal snacks and family-friendly food will be available for purchase.

Costumes are encouraged (but not required) for both children and adults. Because the event takes place outdoors, guests should dress comfortably for the weather.

Advance tickets are $12 for Garden members and $22 for non-members. Day-of tickets are $15 for members and $25 for non-members. Children ages 2 and under attend free. Museums for All tickets are available in person for $3 with a valid EBT card and matching photo ID, with a limit of four tickets per EBT card.

Little Monsters Mash is part of FestiFall, Huntsville Botanical Garden's annual celebration of autumn featuring seasonal displays, traditions and special events throughout September and October. FestiFall is proudly sponsored by First Horizon Bank, with additional support from Window World.

For tickets and additional information about Little Monsters Mash, visit **hsvbg.org/calendar**.

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About the Huntsville Botanical Garden

Huntsville Botanical Garden is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that exists to connect people to plants to support a healthier quality of life for the region. Open year-round, the Garden contains diverse ecosystems to explore within its 118 acres. From grassy meadows to woodland paths, aquatic habitats to stunning floral collections, the Garden invites guests of all ages to discover the beauty and wonder of the natural environment. For more information, visit hsvbg.org.