

ALDRIDGE GARDENS

NATURE AND ART IN BALANCE



Taste of Hoover

It's time for fall! School is back in, there's football on the weekends and cooler temperatures are not far behind. One of the best things about fall at Aldridge Gardens is our annual Taste of Hoover event. Last year's Taste of Hoover was one of the best yet, with over 30 participating restaurants, caterers and beverage providers. The sold-out crowd of more than 300 people enjoyed the variety of culinary styles found throughout the city. Over the years, many have enjoyed this autumn evening, strolling through Aldridge Gardens and sampling delicious dishes from some of Hoover's best food and beverage providers. Attendees have also enjoyed a selection of beverages and soft drinks while listening to live entertainment. This year's event promises another great night out with friends and family under



the lights at Aldridge Gardens. Learn more about it and get tickets at aldridgegardens.com.



Summer Camps

We had another great year of Summer Camps here at the Gardens. As in years past, space was limited and available on a first-come basis. However, this year more than 200 kids attended our camps between June 5-30. Our unique summer camp experience is different from most. It offers both fun and educational camp choices for boys and girls entering kindergarten through third grades. Our little campers experienced week-long sessions based around S.T.E.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math); Art; or American Girl Dolls. And with instructors certified by the State of Alabama teaching every session, the kids were learning while having fun. If you missed this year's offering of summer camps at Aldridge Gardens or don't just want to select a babysitting camp next year, look for our 2024 registration to open in February. Be sure to check aldridgegardens.com for updated news, camp schedules, and information.





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Fall Weddings

While many people might think about outdoor weddings being traditionally held in the spring, they may be surprised to find out the number of beautiful weddings we have year-round. Couples exchange their vows here in the spring, summer, fall and even winter, too. But, the fall at Aldridge Gardens is particularly beautiful with lots of lively colors visible as the leaves change. The foliage turns from the green of summer

to red, orange and yellow. In fact, one of the loveliest displays of yellow during that time is our beautiful ginkgo tree. Located next to the Aldridge House, it provides an incredible backdrop for weddings during the fall. If you would like more information about an Aldridge Gardens fall wedding or one any time of year, contact our event coordinator Kristen Valentine at 205-739-6554 or kristen.valentine@hooveralabama.gov.



Hoover-Randle Home and Gardens

Our sister venue, Hoover-Randle Home and Gardens, has been closed for renovations during the summer months, but it is scheduled to reopen in October. We can't wait for you to see the improvements! This colonial-style brick home is on the National Historic Registry, as it is the birthplace of the City of Hoover. In fact, the original establishing documents were signed in the home's library. This incredible venue has space for people to gather both inside and outside. When entering the home, guests are greeted by a grand spiral staircase in the foyer. Plus, the interior features an open floor plan, a prep kitchen, full bar and AV equipment with surround sound. (It also has restrooms on the main floor). Outside, there is a large loggia with a fireplace, tables and plenty of seating. The property also features a beautiful landscaped grounds area with gazebos. The home is very picturesque and provides an ideal place for large holiday parties and weddings as well as corporate events, too. To learn more about Hoover-Randle Home and Gardens, or to schedule your next event there, visit the website at hooverandlehome.com or call 205-957-9540.

