

ALDRIDGE GARDENS

NATURE AND ART IN BALANCE



Hydrangeas Under the Stars

Our garden party returns for its annual celebration in 2022 on June 11. The event of the year in Hoover, **Hydrangeas Under the Stars** begins with everyone gathering at the Aldridge House for cocktails and a silent auction. The silent auction is a wonderful way to kick off the spirited evening.

After the silent Auction, we move to the Pavilion for a fabulous catered dinner, complete with wine pairings. Following dinner, the *real* action begins with our Live Auction.

Featuring items like outdoor furniture, artwork, vacation stays and trips, this always lively auction bring out the true competitive spirit in everyone.

Individual and full table tickets for **Hydrangeas Under the Stars** are limited and go very quickly. Contact the Gardens now (janet.abernathy@hooveralabama.gov or call 205-739-6553) to reserve your spot at the best garden party of the year. Reservations for entire tables are available too!

Spring Plant Sale

Each spring, gardening enthusiasts flock to garden centers for the latest and greatest trees, shrubs and flowering plants. One of the best opportunities for snagging the latest and greatest in hydrangeas, native azaleas and Japanese maples is the Aldridge Gardens Spring Plant Sale!

Held April 28, 29 & 30 this year, our sale is one of the most anticipated yearly happenings at Aldridge Gardens. Area master gardeners will be available to assist you with picking out that special plant for your landscape (and remember, our sale is two weeks before Mother's Day!), and advise you on proper planting techniques to ensure the plants you buy will develop exactly as you envision in your landscape.

Follow the website (aldridgegardens.com) for the list of items, and come early for the "picks of the litter"!



Summer Camps

It's never too soon to think about summer camps for the kiddos! Aldridge Gardens Summer Camps 2022 will start June 6 and conclude July 1 with four camps per weekly session. Registration is \$130 per weekly session for Aldridge Gardens members and \$150 for non-members.

Our camps are always over-booked, so

please register early to ensure your child's spot this year. And remember: our camp instructors are all certified Alabama teachers and each camp session is based on an educational theme, so kids are learning as they have fun. Visit our website at aldridgegardens.com or call Debbie McDonald at 205-739-6555 for additional information.

From Our CEO

It is hard to have a favorite time of the year at Aldridge Gardens, but springtime is by far

my favorite. After the crispness of winter, we are all ready to welcome the beautiful colors of our blooming hydrangeas and azaleas that cover the grounds throughout the gardens. Our winter projects are finished, and we are hard at work on our spring events and weddings.

Plans for our summer camps, which run from June 6 to July 1, are well underway, and Debbie McDonald, our director of education, has some exciting sessions in the works.

Springtime weddings and events have been planned for a long time now, and our Sales and Events team, Amanda Baker and Debbie Rutherford, are busy getting details finalized to ensure that these happen flawlessly, while continuing to book new events for the future.

Our Spring Plant Sale is scheduled for April 28, 29 and 30. We will have a variety of plants including our Snowflake Hydrangeas available.

Our annual fundraiser, Hydrangeas Under the Stars, is planned for June 11 under the pavilion. Money raised from this event goes to support education programs as well as projects at Aldridge Gardens.

We are always excited to welcome all of our visitors to the City of Hoover's beautiful Aldridge Gardens and look forward to visiting with everyone.

