

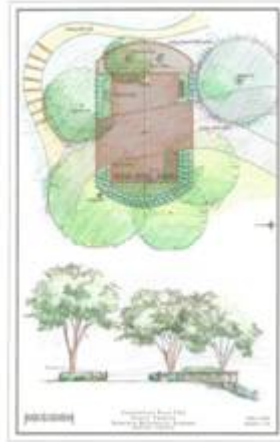
# NORFOLK BOTANICAL GARDEN

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**September 27, 2011**

## **Fall Festival and Eagle Tribute Plaza Dedication**



**Where: Norfolk Botanical Garden**

*(Located in NATO Vista)*

**Date: Saturday, October 15, 2011**

**Dedication Ceremony at 3pm | Fall Festival at 3:30pm**



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**NORFOLK, VA** – Join Norfolk Botanical Garden (NBG) and Eagle 97.3 for an exciting Fall Festival and Eagle Tribute Plaza Dedication. On Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at 3pm, NBG will dedicate the brand new Eagle Tribute Plaza to celebrate the Garden's beloved eagles. Country music singer/songwriter, Holly Lamar, will debut her new single, 'Eagle,' which pays respect to the female eagle that was killed earlier this year. Following the ceremony, guests are invited to enjoy our inaugural Fall Festival, sponsored by Eagle 97.3, featuring live music, food and beer.

Crews began breaking ground on the Eagle Tribute Plaza at the beginning of September 2011. It is located next to NATO Tower. The Garden plans to have the plaza ready for guests to enjoy in time for the dedication. During this time a breathtaking 8 ft. eagle sculpture will be unveiled.

The Fall Festival will kick off at 3:30pm and will be the place to be for eagle & nature enthusiasts and music lovers alike.

“We encourage families to come out and celebrate fall in the most beautiful place in Hampton Roads. That day we will honor our eagle family and their contribution to environmental education,” explained Cathy Fitzgerald, Director of Donor Relations at NBG. “In addition to the unveiling of the bronze eagle sculpture, families can enjoy live music, lots of great food, beverages, free tram rides and a rose garden filled with over 3,000 rose bushes representing a plethora of colors. This day also gives Norfolk Botanical Garden an opportunity to thank our thousands of eagle fans; especially those first time visitors that are coming in from different locations across the country.”

If you plan to attend this exciting afternoon, here are a few tips to keep in mind:

- Food and beer is available for purchase.
- Bring your blankets and lawn chairs.
- No coolers.
- Regular [gate admission](#) applies. Garden members free.
- Free tram rides throughout the day.
- This is the last day this season to climb aboard one of the Garden’s \$5 boat tours.
- Free eagle posters (while supplies last).

For more information, visit our website at [www.norfolkbotanicalgarden.org](http://www.norfolkbotanicalgarden.org) or contact Kelly Dierberger at [kelly.gaita@nbgs.org](mailto:kelly.gaita@nbgs.org) or (757) 441-5830 ext. 346.

We look forward to seeing you at this one-of-a-kind celebration at Norfolk Botanical Garden.

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### **About Norfolk Botanical Garden**

Norfolk Botanical Garden represents an oasis of over 30 themed gardens encompassing 155 beautiful acres. From stunning plant collections to *WOW- World of Wonders: A Children’s Adventure Garden*, this diverse natural beauty can be explored by tram, boat, or walking tours.

The Garden is accredited by the American Association of Museums, is recognized as a Virginia Historic Landmark, listed on the National Register of Historic Places, and is managed by the Norfolk Botanical Garden Society in cooperation with the City of Norfolk.

Norfolk Botanical Garden is dedicated to enriching life by promoting the enjoyment of plants and the environment through beautiful gardens and education programs.

Admission is \$9 for Adults, \$8 for seniors and military, \$7 for ages 3-17. For more information, visit [www.norfolkbotanicalgarden.org](http://www.norfolkbotanicalgarden.org).