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EVERGY FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS AT POWELL GARDENS HEATS UP FOR THE HOLIDAYS

This weekend brings Santa, an all-inclusive VIP dinner experience, musical performances, and more!

Evergy Festival of Lights at Powell Gardens (Nov. 10-Dec. 30) brings a breath of fresh air to a hectic holiday season. This unique outdoor experience is centered around a 1-mile walk through Powell Gardens' immersive, botanically inspired installations. Celebrate the most wonderful time of the year Wednesday-Sunday (4-10 p.m.) from now through December 30, 2022.

This holiday weekend, Powell Gardens launches special seasonal offerings. On Fridays and Saturdays (Nov. 25-Dec. 17, 5-9 p.m.), create and deliver your holiday wish lists to Santa in a festively transformed corncrib in the Children's Garden, where he will be posing for photos. In addition to his weekend visits, Santa will visit Powell Gardens daily Dec. 19-22 (5-9 p.m.).

Enjoy live music at *Evergy Festival of Lights*. Local favorites like KC Horn Club, St. Paul Ringers Bell Choir, Carolers of Note, and more will perform festive seasonal music on select evenings. Sepiatones Ukulele will bring their tropical holiday sound to the Enchanted Tiki Bar on Dec. 17, 23, and 30. For a full schedule of performers, visit powellgardens.org/lights.

Visitors can upgrade their experience and pre-purchase an all-inclusive festival ticket. This experience is offered on Fridays at 5:30, 6:45, and 8 p.m. and Saturdays at 5, 6:15, and 7:30 p.m. during the festival. Included with the ticket is festival admission with a special skip-the-line VIP entrance, parking, a delicious holiday buffet dinner and dessert, and your choice of alcoholic (wine or beer) beverage. Visitors can also purchase a +Pack, a trio of festival goodies, for \$10.

This year, make natural joy part of your family tradition. *Evergy Festival of Lights at Powell Gardens* is open Wednesday-Sunday, 4-10 p.m. Additional days (November 21-22, December 19-20 and 26-27) have been added to accommodate seasonal holidays. Tickets are available online at www.powellgardens.org/lights.

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About Powell Gardens

As Kansas City's Botanical Garden, Powell Gardens plays a vital role in the community as a space for release, rejuvenation, and the celebration of the fleeting nature of nature itself. Visitors enjoy eight themed display gardens, a three-mile nature trail, seasonal festivals, rotating exhibitions, exceptional architecture, and more. Established in 1988, Powell Gardens is a non-profit, public garden, maintaining 970 acres of lush, rolling hills and windswept meadows, with more than 175 acres and a large collection of plants open to the public for education, exploration, and recreation. Many of the plants in the Gardens are regionally native, and all highlight the changing seasons and Midwest spirit of place.