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**FRANKLIN PARK CONSERVATORY AND AHLUM & ARBOR
TEAM UP FOR ARBOR DAY**

Columbus, OH—Franklin Park Conservatory and Botanical Gardens is partnering with Ahlum & Arbor to celebrate Arbor Day on April 28 and 29 from 10am–5pm.

Trees are vital to the health and welfare of humans and Arbor Day was created to encourage individuals to plant and care for trees. Franklin Park Conservatory and Ahlum & Arbor have planned a fun-filled and educational event that will strengthen the public's knowledge about trees and their importance in our ecosystem.

Both days of the Arbor Day celebration will follow the same format but April 28 will have a high concentration of school groups.

Activities include:

- Adult and Kids tree climbing
- Arbor Day inspired scavenger hunt
- Tree preservation equipment demos
- Tree root exploration
- Tree ring counting
- Ask an Arborist/ Horticulturist Info stand
- Family Fun activity, Tree Cookie Necklaces from 11am–2pm (*April 29 only*)
- Butterfly releases in the Pacific Island Water Garden at 1 and 3pm

Those attending the Arbor Day celebration will receive a free tree sapling (while supplies last), have the opportunity to enter a raffle for a free pruning tool kit from Ahlum & Arbor, and can purchase food from local food trucks. Participating food trucks include Pitabilities and Street Thyme from 11am–2pm on Friday, April 28 and Ajumama and Sweet T's Southern Style from 11am–2pm on Saturday, April 29.

For more information on all the Conservatory offers, please visit fpconservatory.org or follow the Conservatory on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) or [Instagram](#).

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About Franklin Park Conservatory and Botanical Gardens

Franklin Park Conservatory and Botanical Gardens offers botanical collections, art and nature-based exhibitions, plant shows, and educational programs for all ages. Situated in an 88-acre urban park, the Conservatory features the historic 1895 John F. Wolfe Palm House and 83,000 square feet of glasshouses, classrooms, and meeting and event spaces. The Conservatory owns a signature collection of glass artwork by Dale Chihuly. Light Raiment II, a permanent installation by internationally recognized light artist James Turrell, illuminates the John F. Wolfe Palm House every evening from dusk until dawn.

About Ahlum & Arbor

Ahlum & Arbor Tree Preservation is a family-owned, full service arboricultural firm, serving both residential and commercial clients in central Ohio for nearly 40 years. Ahlum & Arbor provides tree pruning services and tree and shrub health care treatments. Ahlum & Arbor employs the most certified tree care professionals in central Ohio including 14 certified arborists, 12 state-licensed pesticide applicators, 3 International Society of Arboriculture Board-Certified Master Arborists (BCMA), 3 Tree Care Industry Association Certified Treecare Safety Professionals (CTSP), and 3 American Society of Consulting Arborist Registered Consulting Arborists®. For more information about any of Ahlum & Arbor's service offerings or company contacts, visit ahlumarbor.com or call 614-876-5622.