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**GUESTS EXPLORE LIGHT, COLOR AT CONSERVATORY'S NEW  
INTERACTIVE GALLERY SHOW**

Columbus, OH—Franklin Park Conservatory and Botanical Gardens will brighten the visitor experience even more this season with two interactive lighting installations accompanying the annual holiday exhibition, *Merry & Bright*.

The Cardinal Health Gallery will feature *Six-Forty by Four-Eighty* by artist and designer Marcelo Coelho and *Pixel*, an installation based off *Six-Forty by Four-Eighty* by Jamie Zigelbaum.

*Six-Forty by Four-Eighty* is composed of an array of magnetic, physical pixels that cycle through a palette of color. Conservatory patrons become the medium for communication in this installation as they group the pixels together and watch as new patterns, animations and colors form. Coelho uses *Six-Forty by Four-Eighty* to transform the pixel from the screen to the physical world, drawing focus to the relevancy of computation in today's world.

Cycling through a template of 12 colors, *Pixel* senses the electric fields in the body and responds by brightening as guests move closer. *Pixel* aspires to be a tool for Conservatory patrons to explore the universal and invisible digital world that pixels represent.

The installations are on display now through January 1, 2017 from 10am–5pm with extended hours until 9pm on December 7, 14–23 and 26–31.

For more information on *Merry & Bright* and the Conservatory please visit [fpconservatory.org](http://fpconservatory.org).

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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.