



SACRED HEART GARDEN FESTIVAL

April 23– 25, 2010
Augusta, Georgia

FACT SHEET

Historic Sacred Heart Cultural Center in downtown Augusta, Georgia, will be the focus for classic southern gardening during its 19th annual Garden Festival April 23 – 25, 2010. During the 3-day event, patrons will see the finest examples of garden and floral exhibits, learn from well-known garden experts, buy unique plants and hard to find items in the Garden Market and tour extraordinary public and private gardens throughout Augusta. Funding raised from the Festival supports the continuing preservation of Sacred Heart which serves as an important cultural asset in Georgia.

Festival Hours

Friday, April 23 and Saturday, April 24, 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Sunday, April 25, 12:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Garden Tours Hours

Friday, April 24 – Sunday, April 26, 12:00 – 5:00 PM

Ticket Information

Festival (Exhibits & Vendor market)	tickets \$10
Children under 12 Free	
Festival and Private Garden Tour	tickets \$25

Prelude Garden Tea,

Sunday, April 18, 5:00 PM, Gardens Open at 4:00 PM
\$100 per person, reservations required

Preview Party

Thursday, April 22, 7 PM \$60 per person, \$100 per couple

Garden Speakers Series

Friday, April 23 and Saturday, April 24

- *Brian Gandy, Blue Clay Farm Manager*
Brian Gandy is the professional farmer in charge of Blue Clay Farm, Hammond's Ferry's neighborhood farm that operates according to strict organic farming principles. Brian has reintroduced organic farming methodology to this Southern climate, brought crops to multiple farmers' markets, and built a distribution channel to some of the area's finest restaurants to supply them with just-picked, locally grown produce. Brian is a graduate of the University of Georgia with a degree in Horticulture. He was previously employed by the Biorefinery Department at the University of Georgia and has held positions with Georgia-based nurseries and landscaping organizations.
- *June Mays, Garden Design*
June Mays is a garden designer whose working knowledge of plants, soils and construction is founded on a deep love of gardens. She holds diplomas in Garden Design and Plantsmanship from the English Gardening School in London.
- *Ted Stephen, Nurseries Caroliniana,*
A popular speaker at the garden festival, Mr. Stephens is the founder of Nurseries Caroliniana, a retail garden center focusing on offering rare and unusual plant material to the gardening public. He travels to Japan and other foreign countries regularly to collect new plant selections for introduction into the American market. Mr. Stephens has served as the past president of the South Carolina Nursery and Landscape Association and currently serves on the advisory board of the South Carolina Botanical Garden.

For More Information: www.SacredHeartGardenFestival.com or 706-826-4700