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## **Butterfly House Opens Friday June 14!**



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Announcement



(Norfolk, VA) –They're coming! Norfolk Botanical Garden (NBG) opens the doors of the **Butterfly House** on Friday, June 14, 2013. The enclosed structure provides an amazing opportunity for guests to observe and connect with butterflies up-close as the insect beauties fly throughout the house and land on their favorite nectar flowers. Explore the different species that call Hampton Roads home and learn the habits and life cycles of each dazzling butterfly. Talk to experts on how you can attract butterflies in your own yard. It's educational and fun for all generations.

Mark your calendar now for the annual Butterfly Release on Saturday, September 21, 2013. The Butterfly House is a great compliment to the 2.5 acre Bristow Butterfly Garden that includes a giant Butterfly Maze! The Butterfly House is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and is included with regular garden admission.

Let your magical experience continue as you discover the Garden's outdoor glass sculpture exhibit **Reflections of Nature -** sponsored by Capital Group Companies. The 30 glass sculptures were created exclusively for the Garden by glass artist Craig Mitchell Smith. As you journey throughout the Garden, look for the 16 foot Dandelion in our Children's Garden, a blue Jellyfish suspended from the ceiling of the Tropical House and glass poppies mixed with plantings in our Hummingbird Garden. Pick up a map at the Visitor Center and start your own scavenger hunt to find all 30 sculptures located throughout the Garden.

Norfolk Botanical Garden's 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary –75 years and still growing! For more information on NBG 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary events visit www.nbg75.org

## **About Norfolk Botanical Garden**

Norfolk Botanical Garden represents an oasis of more than 40 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 Alliance of Museums, is recognized as a Virginia Historic Landmark, listed on the National Register of Historic Places, a Virginia Green attraction, and is managed by the Norfolk Botanical Garden Society supported by 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 \$11 for Adults, \$10 for seniors and military, \$9 for ages 3-17, 2 and under are free. For more information, visit www.norfolkbotanicalgarden.org