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**NORFOLK
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GARDEN**
Celebrating **75** Years

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3rd Annual Honey Bee Festival at Norfolk Botanical Garden

Saturday, August 17, 2013!

Included with regular Garden admission



Announcement

(Norfolk, VA) –Join Norfolk Botanical Garden (NBG) and the Beekeepers Guild of Southeast Virginia for the 2013 Honey BEE Festival – **Create a BUZZ....BEE Green!** Help us celebrate National Honey Bee Day on Saturday, August 17 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. This year’s message is to help the community understand the critical role of bees and to encourage home and business owners to incorporate bee friendly plants in their landscapes and to use organic pesticides versus traditional pesticides with harmful chemicals. Buzz on over the Norfolk Botanical Garden for a great time!

Guests will enjoy demonstrations, door prizes, view a live bee hive and see how honey is extracted from the combs. They will also learn best practices for the home garden, sample honey and browse the many vendors selling honey and bee products, including gifts, handmade jewelry and pottery and bee friendly plants. Listen to live music provided by David Welsh while enjoying event refreshments. Special activities are lined up for the kids at the festival area and in the Children’s Garden. Kids up to age 7 can participate in the 11am costume parade and each participant receives a frozen treat following. The Honey Bee Festival is included with Garden admission and will take place in the Baker Hall Visitor Center and terrace. Fall in love with bees and create a BUZZZZZZZ of your own! Learn more at http://norfolkbotanicalgarden.org/events/honey_bee_festival/. To learn more about the Beekeepers Guild of Southeast Virginia, visit <http://beekeepersguild.org/>. The event is free to NBG members.

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