

Powell Gardens' Birthday Party Packages (2010)

Book your child's party at Powell Gardens

Powell Gardens, Kansas City's botanical garden, provides a worry-free, mess-free unique birthday experience that is both fun and educational. Party packages include:

- A themed program facilitated by Garden staff or a trained docent.
- A staff person or docent to serve refreshments and clean up.
- All-day Garden admission for each party guest.
- A party favor for each child.
- A themed balloon for the birthday child.
- Paper goods and candles.
- Cupcakes, ice cream cups and drinks for all children.
- Free parking.

Party guests also will enjoy:

- Access to the Fountain Garden before or after the party for splashing.
- An up-close look at Dave Rogers' Big Bugs sculptures and related activities—an exclusive showing through October 3, 2010!
- Access to all of Powell Gardens during normal operating hours (9 a.m.-5 p.m. October-April and 9 a.m.-6 p.m. May-September.)

Party Package Themes (designed for children turning ages 4 to 12):

Big Bugs Birthday—Bugs are everywhere! Learn what makes bugs so incredible, meet some live bugs and eat a snack made from real bugs (if you dare!) Tour the Big Bugs exhibit before or after your scheduled party time.

Ladybugs and Butterflies Party—Learn why these dainty garden insects are so wonderful, make a related craft and take a trip into the garden for a ladybug release.

Days and times:

- Parties can be booked year-round on Saturdays and Sundays (some blackout dates apply).
- Some weekdays are available June through August.
- Parties are held 10-11:30 a.m. or 2-3:30 p.m.
- Parties are booked on a **first come-first reserved** basis.

Costs

Members of Powell Gardens or Powell Gardens Kids' Club: \$200 base rate, which includes:

- Party passes for up to 10 children and 11 adults (including two required adult chaperones).
- 12 cupcakes, 12 ice cream cups and 12 juice drinks, plus candles and paper goods
- 10 party favors
- 1 themed birthday balloon for the birthday child
- Themed program presented by staff or docent

Additional participants are \$10 each, up to maximum of 24

Non-members: \$235 base rate, which includes:

- Party passes for up to 10 children and 11 adults (including two required adult chaperones).
- 12 cupcakes, 12 ice cream cups and 12 juice drinks, plus candles and paper goods
- 10 party favors
- 1 themed birthday balloon for the birthday child
- Themed program presented by staff or docent

Additional participants are \$15 each, up to maximum of 24

NOTE: Parents with party passes who are not attending the party with his/her child are welcome to enjoy the rest of Powell Gardens throughout the day, including our two gift shops, our two café and our acres of beautiful gardens. We stay open until 6 p.m., so parent and child can explore the Gardens together long after the party is finished.

Booking and Cancellation Process

To reserve a party package call (816) 697-2600 ext 306.

- Parties must be booked at least two weeks in advance.
- A nonrefundable \$50 deposit is due at booking. The reservation will not be confirmed until the \$50 is paid.
- The balance is due no more than two weeks prior to the party. If the party is booked at two weeks, the entire balance is due upon booking.
- You will receive confirmation forms after paying the deposit. Forms should be returned with final payment two weeks prior to the party.

Cancellation Policy:

- You may cancel or change the date of your party up to two weeks prior to the date. Note: the \$50 deposit due at booking is nonrefundable.
- If the birthday child is unable to attend due to medical reasons, an alternate date may be scheduled by providing a doctor's note with at least a 24-hour notice.
- Parties take place rain or shine in our indoor youth education building.
- In the unlikely event Powell Gardens cancels the party, your entire fee will be automatically refunded. You will be notified at least 24 hours in advance and be given the option to reschedule at another date.

Location and Parking:

- All parties take place in the Fun Foods Farm youth building in the Heartland Harvest Garden.
- Guests may park in the gravel lot behind the barn in the Heartland Harvest Garden. Overflow parking is in the general visitor parking lots near the Visitor Education Center.
- Maps to Powell Gardens and parking directions will be provided.

Client's Responsibilities

- The client agrees to provide at least two adult chaperones (one must be the client) to stay with the group. Parties for children turning 4 require at least three chaperones.
- Wall decorations, balloons, glitter, confetti, bubbles and streamers are not allowed.
- Party passes for free admission will be mailed at least one week before the party date to the client, who will be responsible for distributing them to party guests.
- Client will have access to the building for 15 minutes before the party start time and up to 15 minutes after for loading and unloading of gifts.
- Client may want to remind guests to dress for hands-on activities and to bring a towel and swimsuit or change of clothes for playing in the fountain after the party.
- Any additional adults or children not covered by a party pass must pay regular Garden admission for entrance to Powell Gardens.