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## Seventh Annual Pumpkinville, presented by OGE Corp., Returns to the Myriad Garden's Children's Garden

17-Day Harvest-Themed Festival runs Friday, October 5 through Sunday, October 21

Oklahoma City, OK -- One of the most treasured fall traditions in Oklahoma City – Pumpkinville presented by OGE Energy Corp. – will be October 5-21, 2018 at Myriad Botanical Gardens. The popular Children's Garden will be transformed into a New England-themed Pumpkin Town that will feature thousands of pumpkins, hundreds of gourds, a variety of fall foliage and tons of fun activities. This event is sponsored by Express Employment Professionals with additional sponsors Tapstone Energy, Goldfish Swim School, E.L. and Thelma Gaylord Foundation, Midtown Vets, and Gray Blodgett CPAs. More than 16,000 pumpkins fill the Children's Garden along with imaginative displays, creative crafts and fun games that celebrated the fall season. Visitors can enjoy riding the Pumpkinville Express Train on Saturdays and Sundays, Paint-A-Pumpkin, ride the Carousel at the Myriad Gardens, enjoy harvest themed vendors and other activities that were held onsite as part of our festivities.

Cost to attend is FREE for members and \$8 per person for nonmembers. Children 2 and under are free. This Includes admission to Pumpkinville and the new Mo's Carousel at Myriad Gardens.

As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, Myriad Gardens Foundation depends on the generosity of visitors and friends to maintain the Gardens and to fund the 400-plus events held at the Gardens each year for all of the community to enjoy. Pumpkinville is a prime fundraising event with all proceeds benefitting the operations of the Gardens. Visitors are encouraged to purchase a family membership for \$65 which entitles up to eight members of the same household to enter Pumpkinville, plus year-round free admission to the Crystal Bridge Tropical Conservatory and more. Those interested can join by visiting [myriadgardens.org](http://myriadgardens.org)

For updates and to follow setup and families enjoying the harvest-themed event follow these social media channels @myriadgardens on Instagram, Facebook and Twitter under hashtag #PumpkinvilleOKC.



### Pumpkinville Related Events:

#### **Pumpkinville Sensory Night**

Children's Garden

Friday, October 5, 6-7:30 p.m.

Myriad Gardens Members \$10 per participant, adults FREE

Non-Members \$12 per participant, adults FREE

[Register online at myriadgardens.org](http://myriadgardens.org)

An event tailored for families with children with special needs, join us inside Pumpkinville for an evening of fall festivities! This event provides a more controlled and welcoming environment to experience our fall festival. No loud music and smaller crowds. Siblings are welcome! We will have festive booths, crafts and activities for everyone to enjoy. A light snack will be provided for registered participants. Registered guests that need handicap accessible parking should contact Rebekah Wade at [rwade@myriadgardens.org](mailto:rwade@myriadgardens.org)

#### **Daily**

- Story Time 11-11:30am
- Cider Press 11:30am-12pm

#### **Fridays**

- Tarot Card Reading with Kodi from 1-2pm

#### **Saturdays and Sundays**

- Pumpkinville Express Train 1-5pm
  - Last ticket sold at 4:30pm

#### **Saturdays**

- Pumpkin Stem Hour, 1-2pm

#### **Mommy and Me Mondays and Tiny Tot Tuesdays**

- 10am-12pm Include story time, cider press and another activity from 10-11am
- 11-11:30am Story Time
- 11:30am-12pm Cider Press

#### **Home School Thursdays**

- Pumpkin Stem Hour 1-2pm
  - \*Admission costs to be announced

### **Golden Hour Photography Sessions**

- Sunday, October 7 and Sunday, October 21, 5:30-6:30pm. \$50 for an hour session.
- Photographers can take this time to book their clients and hold photography sessions with a fall backdrop without public interference

### **Lifestyle Photography Class with Jessie Huff**

- Sunday, October 14, 5:30-7:30pm (after Pumpkinville hours)
- Members: \$40 Non-Members: \$45

### **Fall Wreath Making with Kenton Peters**

- Sunday, October 21 from 1:30-3pm
- Members: \$30 Non-Members: \$35
- Advanced registration required online at [myriadgardens.org](http://myriadgardens.org)

### **Day of the Girl with Athleta**

Thursday, October 11, 10am-12pm

### **Oklahoma Kettle Corn onsite**

- October 8, 9, 10, 15, 16 and 17, 10am-5pm.
- Additional food trucks to be announced.

### **Spooky Pooch Parade Sponsored by Midtown Vets**

The Devon Lawn

Sunday, October 21, 2-3:30 p.m.

\$10 per member dog

\$12 per non-member dog

[Register online at myriadgardens.org](http://myriadgardens.org)

Help us wind down the fall season by joining us for our Spooky Pooch Parade on The Devon Lawn. Enjoy spooky music by DJ Brian Smith, booths and fun for the entire family. The event will kick off with a performance from the OKC Disc Dogs, followed by our parade of pooches. Special guest judges will present prizes to the best and most creatively dressed pooches! You don't have to register a dog to take part in the fun or even have a dog. Bring the family and be an observer and visit Pumpkinville.

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The Myriad Botanical Gardens is one of Oklahoma City's most beloved public spaces, offering its visitors a 15 acre natural escape in the very heart of downtown. A half-acre children's garden, an off-leash dog park, restaurant space, splash fountains, and paths for walking and jogging provide guests young and old with a place to seek solitude with nature, or seek community and the company of others. Additionally, the Myriad Gardens offers a variety of horticultural education programs for adults and children.

The Crystal Bridge Tropical Conservatory's unique design has earned attention and praise in the architectural community. It is 224 feet long, 70 feet in diameter, and is covered by 3,028 sections of translucent, double-layered acrylic panels. The Conservatory includes 13,000 square feet of plant display area in two distinct climates: the Tropical Wet Zone, which is at the south end and is watered daily; and the Tropical Dry Zone at the north end which receives water from April through September, followed by

drought from November through March. Some 2,000 varieties of plants and a 35-foot waterfall round out the spectacular features of the Conservatory.

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