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The mission of the Friends of Garfield Park, Inc. is to ensure the preservation and continuation of the public benefits of Garfield Park through enhanced funding, the application of effective advocacy and expanded stewardship.

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**Garfield Park** is Indianapolis' most historic park and rich with memories of a lifetime. Today, Garfield Park needs your help more than ever. Please consider supporting this great family gathering place through a contribution to the **Friends of Garfield Park**.

Whether, a planned gift for use tomorrow or an investment for today, we need your assistance! For details on how you can **Give2Garfield** in 2008...call the Friends of Garfield Park at 317-789-6009 or visit us at **GarfieldParkIndy.org**.



In November of this year, the Friends of Garfield Park will celebrate our 10th Anniversary. During our first decade, the Friends have raised over \$2 million in support for the city's greatest park. In honor of our many diverse relationships, we have renamed our newsletter "BRIDGES." Thanks to all our many bridge builders past and present! We look forward to even greater relationships in the years to come! Further be on the lookout for the new Bean Creek foot-bridge later this summer in Garfield Park.

## OVER THE GARDEN GATE

*By Jo Ellen Meyers Sharp*

That frothy white annual you'll see in the Sunken Garden this summer is 'Diamond Frost,' a *Euphorbia*, which is a large family of plants that includes the poinsettia.

Sold as a Proven Winners® plant, 'Diamond Frost' is just about perfect: heat and drought tolerant, deer resistant and low maintenance. It can be used in hanging baskets, windowboxes, pots or planted in the landscape. A strong bloomer from

spring to frost, it does best in full sun to part shade. The plant cleans itself, which means you don't have to deadhead it. And, although frost is in its name, it is hardy to only about 40 degrees F.

'Diamond Frost' has a mounded growing habit and will get 12- to 18 inches tall and 10- to 12 inches wide. This euphorbia has picked up dozens of awards from plant growers, botanical gardens and others.



## FOR SOME FAMILY FUN THIS SUMMER!

Saturday, June 14 - 6:30-8:00 PM

**MUSIC IN THE GARDENS** *Featuring the smooth sounds of Brenda Williams* Family oriented concert will be held in the Sunken Gardens with festival seating—so bring your own blankets, chairs and picnic basket. **FREE ADMISSION**

Thursday, June 26 - 7PM

**AMERICA WE REMEMBER** *Free patriotic music and fireworks featuring performances from The Wright Brothers, the Indianapolis Jazz Orchestra, and the Indianapolis 500 Gordon Pipers.* Music program begins at 7:00 pm in The MacAllister Center for the Performing Arts. Fireworks will begin at dark and will originate in the north-east side of the park so they will be visible from most areas in the park. Come to the park early and bring along your own blankets, chairs and a picnic supper or enjoy some of the fair-type food available from on-site concessions. **FREE ADMISSION**

Saturday, July 19 - 6:30-8:00 PM

**MUSIC IN THE GARDENS** *Featuring the Indianapolis Jazz Orchestra* Family oriented concert will be held in the Sunken Gardens with festival seating—so bring your own blankets, chairs and picnic basket. **FREE ADMISSION**

Saturday, August 16- 6:00 PM

**PICNIC IN THE PARK \*\*NEW THIS YEAR\*\*** *The first annual Picnic in the Park is open to the public.* A traditional fried chicken dinner will be served in the Corporate Shelter for \$20 per person. Seating is limited, so advance tickets are recommended. Cathy Morris will be performing a free concert in the MacAllister Center for the Performing Arts immediately following the dinner. Advance tickets will be available at the park during all the FOGP sponsored events listed above or contact Dale Bowell at 317-789-0577 or [info@garfieldparkindy.org](mailto:info@garfieldparkindy.org). We expect this event to sell out so don't delay getting your tickets.

Another multiple award winning annual in the Sunken Garden this summer is a lipstick plant named 'Flamenco Samba' (*Cuphea llavea*), which also can be used in pots, hanging baskets or in the ground. Another Proven Winners plant, it is drought and heat tolerant.

'Flamenco Samba' has very large, rich burgundy flowers

that bloom all summer. Plant in full sun and average soil. It has a mounded habit and will get 12- to 16 inches tall and 12- to 18 inches wide. As an added bonus, it attracts hummingbirds. Deadheading is not necessary except to tidy up the plant, as needed.

Photos courtesy Proven Winners Plants.



'Diamond Frost'



'Flamenco Samba'

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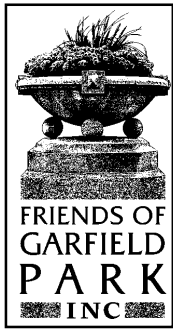
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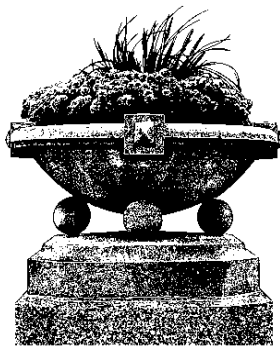
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