Spring Plant Sale News Release

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Event: "U.C. Riverside Botanic Gardens Spring Plant Sale"

It’s spring and it’s time for the 37th annual U.C. RIVERSIDE BOTANIC GARDENS SPRING PLANT SALE. The sale will take place beginning Saturday, March 27, 2010 from noon to 5 p.m. and will continue Sunday, March 28 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. You won’t want to miss it!

There will be nearly 10,000 plants, including many rare and unusual varieties, as well as old favorites. Choose from colorful, heat-loving trees and shrubs, citrus trees, flowering perennials, miniature roses, many rare cacti and other succulents, lots of herbs, patio and houseplants, wildflower seeds and much more. A special selection of showy, water-efficient, heat-loving and California native plants selected for spring planting will also be available. UCR Botanic Gardens T-shirts and the full color Subtropical Trees of California and Hummingbird Garden posters will be for sale.

Most of the plants for sale will have a detailed information sign and color photo to help you make your selections. U.C. Master Gardeners, Gardens’ staff and Volunteers will be available to answer your questions. See planting demonstrations and a display and demonstrations by the UCR Entomology Dept. There will be a Preview Plant Sale for Members of the Friends of UCR Botanic Gardens. For more information on the sale, or on joining the "Friends", please contact the Botanic Gardens at 951-784-6962, e-mail ucrbg@ucr.edu, visit our website at www.gardens.ucr.edu or write to the address listed below.

The Botanic Gardens cover more than 40 acres and feature nearly 3500 plant species from around the world. Enjoy beautiful vistas and numerous scenic trails, including gentle pathways graded for wheelchair access. A wide array of blooming plants can be seen year around. Get directions by calling or by visiting our website. Parking for the sale is free; there is a nominal fee for regular visitor parking. For freeway map and color brochure, write to Botanic Gardens, Univ. of Calif., Riverside, CA 92521-0124, call 951-784-6962, or email ucrbg@ucr.edu. Be sure to visit our website, www.gardens.ucr.edu.

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