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Enjoy a Plethora of Holiday Happenings at the Children's Adventure Garden Including The Case for Santa Claus

DALLAS, Texas (December 16, 2015) – The Rory Meyers Children's Adventure Garden presents many opportunities for holiday experiences before it closes for winterization beginning January 4 through the opening of Dallas Blooms on February 27. Before then, Children's Adventure Garden guests will be busy with many special activities to close out the year.

On Saturday, December 19, guests can use science to prove the case for the holiday's favorite cookie-lover, Santa Claus. Starting at 11 a.m., guests will get to use science to answer questions like, how does Santa's sleigh fly? How does he fit down all the world's chimneys? How does he not burn himself in the fireplace? The Case for Santa Claus activity will take place in the Children's Adventure Garden's Entry Plaza.

Additionally, on Sunday, December 27, guests are invited to bid farewell to their favorite scientist, Mr. Nano. He will be conducting some of his favorite labs in the Exploration Center Plant Lab. All junior scientists are invited to share favorite memories from the Children's Adventure Garden and ask him all about the scientific research he will be conducting next year. A new, enthusiastic scientist will join the Children's Adventure Garden in 2016.

Other holiday activities include Starchy Night in the Plant Lab, Winter Around the World on The Moody Oasis, Not a Creature was Stirring, Winter Wonderland Crafts and much more. The last week of the year from December 27 through January 1 will be an End of Year Extravaganza of guest's favorite programs and activities daily. For a complete list of Children's Adventure Garden activities and times, visit <u>http://www.dallasarboretum.org/named-gardens-features/the-rory-meyers-childrens-</u> adventure-garden In the main garden, guests can enjoy visits with Santa, a live reindeer, Frosty the Snowman and Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer on Saturdays and Sundays from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. through December 20 and on December 22 and 23. Along with a stroll through the magnificent 12 Days of Christmas exhibit, live entertainment, festive demonstrations and holiday refreshments round out the holiday festivities in the garden on Saturdays and Sundays. The Artistry of the Nativity exhibit is open daily from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the lavish and historic DeGolyer House, showcasing more than 500 nativities from all over the world.

About the Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Garden:

The Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Garden is located on the southeastern shore of White Rock Lake at 8525 Garland Road, Dallas, Texas 75218. The Dallas Arboretum is also the home of the internationally acclaimed Rory Meyers Children's Adventure Garden. The Arboretum is open daily from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. *The Dallas Morning News* is the principal partner of the Dallas Arboretum. The Arboretum is supported, in part, by funds from the Dallas Park and Recreation Department. WFAA is an official media sponsor for the Dallas Arboretum. For more information, call 214.515.6500 or visit <u>www.dallasarboretum.org.</u>

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