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CHEEKWOOD HARVEST RETURNS SEPTEMBER 19

Annual Fall Festival to Feature Life-Sized Pumpkin Houses, Thousands of Mums

WHAT: *Cheekwood Harvest*
WHERE: Cheekwood
1200 Forrest Park Drive
Nashville, TN 37205
WHEN: September 19 – November 1, 2020

Cheekwood will host its annual fall festival, *Cheekwood Harvest* as part of its year-round lineup of signature seasonal festivals. Running September 19 – November 1, the festival will feature a Pumpkin Village with an autumn garden display including two life-sized pumpkin houses and a pumpkin patch. Throughout the gardens, guests can experience thousands of chrysanthemums and fall-colored trees like dogwoods, maples, oaks, and more.

Cheekwood Harvest will include annual happenings like *Halloween Pooch Parade* with a virtual costume contest, *Virtual Japanese Moon Viewing* and *Virtual El Día de los Muertos* and features new *Dog Nights of Harvest* on select Wednesday nights during the festival. *Chihuly at Cheekwood* will run alongside the seasonal festival, with special *Chihuly Nights* programming on Tuesday – Sunday Nights. For a full program overview of *Cheekwood Harvest*, visit <https://cheekwood.org/calendar/cheekwood-harvest/>.

Cheekwood will also offer outdoor wellness classes and art and garden workshops for adults throughout the harvest season. Classes are limited in capacity and require advanced registration. Visit <https://cheekwood.org/calendar/> for more information.

The Pumpkin Village will be closely monitored for crowd control, and all visitors are required to wear face masks. Guests are required to wear face masks when entering buildings, and in other areas of the gardens except when maintaining a physical distance of at least six feet from other visitors. Parents are asked to follow CDC guidelines regarding the use of masks for children. For Cheekwood's full visitor guidelines and response to Covid-19, visit cheekwood.org.

The Pumpkin Village is sponsored by Regions. Japanese Moon Viewing is sponsored by Nissan.

About Cheekwood

Cheekwood is a 55-acre American Country Place Era estate in Nashville, Tennessee. Built in 1929 by the Cheek family who amassed their fortune in part through the Maxwell House Coffee business, the estate was gifted and opened as a public institution in 1960. Today, it features 12 distinct gardens, a woodland sculpture trail, a 7,000-piece permanent art collection, and Georgian-style Mansion with historically furnished rooms and galleries.

Over 225,000 visitors come to Cheekwood annually for year-round seasonal festivals, world-class art exhibitions, breathtaking gardens, and educational and public programs for all ages. A member of the American Public Gardens Association, Cheekwood is accredited by the American Alliance of Museums and is on the National Register of Historic Places. Its mission is to preserve Cheekwood as an historical landmark where beauty and excellence in art and horticulture stimulate the mind and nurture the spirit.

For more information about Cheekwood, visit www.cheekwood.org.

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