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**MEDIA ADVISORY**

**CAN YOU KEEP A SECRET?**

Shhh . . . The Secret Gardens Tour will be March 12, 2005.

**WHO: The Secret Gardens Tour**, a non-profit organization benefiting brain injury recovery in New Orleans.

**WHAT: Second annual Secret Gardens Tour** of several exquisite gardens with some designed by both national and locally renowned landscape architects, namely the late Ellen Biddle Shipman and René J.L. Fransen. Many garden experts will be available on the day of the tour to answer questions. New attractions are the Garden Gallery selling art by local artists, Secret Treasures offering garden accessories and a “KinderGarden” with attractions for children. Ongoing musical performances and complimentary refreshments will accompany the tour. Tickets may be purchased beginning November 1, 2004 on the website ([www.secretgardentour.org](http://www.secretgardentour.org)) or, on the day of the tour at two, yet-to-be-determined, garden locations.

**WHERE:** In the historic Uptown area of New Orleans primarily on State Street and Nashville and St. Charles Avenues.

**WHY:** In the United States, 5.3 million live with a TBI (traumatic brain injury) disability, and as a result of stroke and other causes, 5 million more Americans have acquired brain injuries. Funds raised from the event will go to local brain injury education and recovery programs.

**WHEN:** Saturday, March 12, 2005 10:00 a.m.– 4:00 p.m.  
Saturday, March 19, 2005 10:00 a.m.– 4:00 p.m. (Rain Date).

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