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## **Elizabeth Park Conservancy Announces Annual Spring Greenhouse Show, Tours and Sale**

**West Hartford, CT, March XX, 2018** – Elizabeth Park Conservancy opens its Spring Greenhouse Show on Friday, March 9 featuring a spectacular array of spring bulbs and plants grown by Conservancy Horticulturist Rosemary Aldridge, Gardeners Peter Winne and Josh Kwasny, Park Gardener Vincent Boyce and many volunteers. The show, tours and sale will take place in the historic greenhouse in Elizabeth Park.

The show is open to the public from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. March 9 through March 16. Coffee and refreshments will be served from 9 to 11 a.m. on Monday, March 12, when Aldridge will offer tours of the Greenhouse Show at 9:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. The reception and tours are free, and reservations, which are required, can be made at [www.elizabethparkct.org](http://www.elizabethparkct.org), or by calling [\(860\) 231-9443, ext. 101](tel:8602319443) with the names of all guests and preferred tour time.

A one-day plant sale will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, March 17. Plants may be purchased by cash or check only on the day of the sale. Visitors are asked to bring their own trays, boxes or carts to carry their plant purchases.

Included in the floral display are French hyacinths, muscari, tulips, daffodils, amaryllis, begonias, lemon geranium and Spanish oregano. The Conservancy will add additional plants for the sale from Geremia Greenhouse in Wallingford including hydrangeas, lilies, pansies, violas, hellebores, calla lilies and a few fun surprises.

The Spring Greenhouse Sale helps support Elizabeth Park Conservancy in its mission to maintain, restore and protect the gardens, grounds and buildings in Elizabeth Park. Home to America's oldest public rose garden, Elizabeth Park opened to the public in the spring of 1897 on property donated to the City of Hartford by Charles Pond, in honor of his wife Elizabeth. The park is on the national register of historic places and offers more than 100 acres of formal gardens, green space, recreational facilities, walking loops and the Pond House Café. Elizabeth Park is open to the public year-round, from dawn to dusk. Elizabeth Park Conservancy was founded in 1977.

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