#### **Mobile County**

Mobile County, the second largest county in the state, is in southern charm and hospitality. With a population of more than 399,000, Mobile County is known for its bustling Port of Alabama. We are located in the extreme southwestern corner of the state, covering over 1,200 square miles. The county is borde Mobile Bay and the Mobile Tensaw R the largest inland delta in the nation; on the south by th Gulf of Mexico and on the west by Mississippi. on the forefront of developing innovative techniques to better serve the citizens of this county. It is the Mobile County Commission's commitment to providing quality and efficient service to you...



# The Port City

 The Port City is recognized worldwide for having many unique attractions. The USS ALABAMA Battleship The Port City is recognized worldwide for having many unique attractions. The USS ALABAMA Battleship, winner of nine World War II battle stars, exciting outdoor adventures The Port City is recognized worldwide for having many unique attractions. The USS ALABAMA Battleship, winner of nine World War II battle stars, exciting outdoor adventures and our newest attraction 5 Rivers: Alabama Delta Resource Center are all just waiting to be



# Wonderful Wednesdays at Bellingrath Gardens & Home

Bellingrath Gardens and Home is pleased to announce the summer 2008 Wonderful Wednesdays schedule. A variety of fun, hands-on activities and informative presentations for all ages are offered each n to the public and are included in the price of Gardens admission. Additional fees for some programs

will be noted.

MR. BELLINGRATH ONCE SAID

"THE GARDENS ARE LIKE A BEAUTIFUL

WOMAN WITH A DIFFERENT GOWN

FOR EACH WEEK OF THE YEAR.

"WITH THE CAMELLIA BLOOMS IN WINTER,

THE AZALEAS IN SPRING, ROSES IN

THE SUMMER, CHRYSANTHEMUMS IN AUTUMN

AND OUR FAMED MAGIC CHRISTMAS

IN LIGHTS DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON,



BELLINGRATH GARDENS AND HOME IS A 65 ACRE ESTATE OF YEAR-ROUND BEAUTY.



IN ADDITION TO TOURING THE GARDENS,
THE BELLINGRATH MUSEUM HOME AND THE
FOWL RIVER ABOARD THE SOUTHERN
BELLE RIVER CRUISE, COME EXPERIENCE
THE BAYOU BOARDWALK, MIRROR LAKE,
THE GREAT LAWN, ASIAN-AMERICAN
GARDENS, THE 2004 TOP PUBLIC ROSE GARDEN
IN THE UNITED STATES, BUTTERFLY GARDEN,
FORMAL GARDEN TERRACES, AND MORE!







Mr. Bellingrath created the
Bellingrath-Morse Foundation to manage
Bellingrath Gardens and Home as a fitting and
permanent memorial to his wife. Bellingrath
Gardens and Home is an independent non-profit
institution. Although the Gardens receive income
from the Bellingrath-Morse Foundation,
two-thirds of our current operations are
financed entirely by admissions, gift shop and
restaurant sales, memberships and
contributions. Your generous support through
the Friends of Bellingrath will enable us to
preserve and improve the historic home and
gardens for our visitors for many years to
come.

Join The Friends of Bellingrath and help perpetuate the dream and legacy of Walter and Bessie Bellingrath... Bellingrath Gardens and Home. As a member, you can play an essential role in supporting one of Alabama's oldest and most famous cultural institutions. Become a part of the legacy Walter Bellingrath envisioned when he wrote to his Mother his intent to "make the world a better and brighter by my being here."

There is no place like Bellingrath Gardens

Modern museum housed in the Southern Market/Old City Hall National Historic Landmark, the Museum of Mobile is a visual masterpiece that provides an unparalleled event setting.

A modern 1855 resolution, passed to construct a building for the city market and departments of the city government, now the Museum of Mobile, declared that this structure should be, "of handsome appearance-an ornament to the City,". Indeed it is. This beautiful Italianate building was, "quite the pride of Mobilians," then - and still is today.

Whether your event is an intimate reception, large dinner party or anything in between, the Museum of Mobile has the space to fit your needs. Be our guest. Host your event with us and become a part of our city's rich



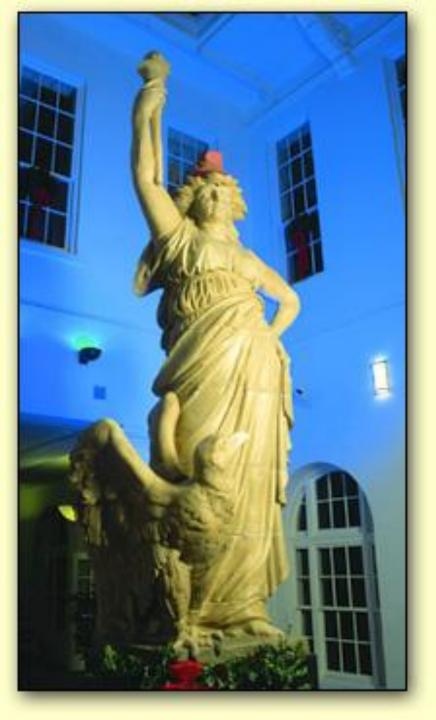
The Charm Spot of the Deep South." Enjoy 65 acres of year-round floral pageantry in a Southern estate garden, including the 2004 Top Public Rose Garden in the United States. Visit the Delchamps Gallery of Boehm Porcelain, the largest public collection of Boehm porcelain in the United States. Tour the Bellingrath Museum Home, featured on A & E's America's Castles series, filled with priceless antiques and furnishings. Relax on a scenic cruise of Fowl River aboard the Southern Belle River Cruiser.

### **Luncheons and Receptions**

Avoid the chaos of the lunch hour. Reserve your own private dining quarters in our Hearin-Chandler Auditorium, Classrooms or Caldwell Delaney Courtyard. Or, if your group is

looking to host a small n reception, these spaces c well.





#### Museums

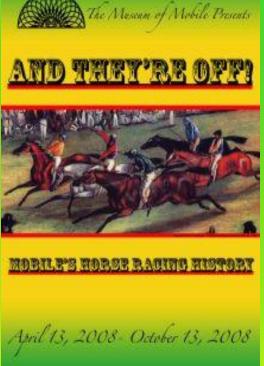




#### **Mobile Greyhound Park**

Mobile's top evening attraction for over 33 years. Featuring live greyhound racing and simulcast horse racing. Clubhouse features fresh seafood and steak.





1820 - 1900 Turf racing captivated the hearts of Mobilians and spawned a business culture that reigned for nearly a century. Visit the Museum of Mobile and take a look at a point in Mobile's development when horse racing was the sport of the day and the city thrived from the revenue it generated. From the races themselves to the people responsible for the various aspects of the sport's rise and fall, the visitor to the Museum of Mobile will be immersed in fun and games that influenced the Kentucky Derby. For more information please call (251)208-7569 or visit the website listed below.

#### Rodin: A Magnificent Obsession.

This wonderfully emotive exhibition features over 60 original, bronze sculptures by Auguste Rodin, one of the world's most celebrated artists. The exhibition survey's Rodin's prolific career, including early decorative works; highlights from his major public



## Five Rivers ~ Alabama's Delta Resource Center across from Meaher State Park on the causeway



