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Enchanted Airlie at Airlie Gardens

(New Hanover County) – It's time to make plans to "Dash Through the Sand" to *Enchanted Airlie!* The annual holiday light show has become a family tradition in the Cape Fear area. *Enchanted Airlie* begins the Friday after Thanksgiving and runs until the Saturday before Christmas.

Enjoy beautiful holiday flowers, festive lights, live musical entertainment, and the largest display of model trains in the Southeast. Stroll through this whimsically lighted display at your own pace, soaking in the beauty. Now in its fourth season, *Enchanted Airlie* is open Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights until Saturday, December 20th. There are two display times per evening, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. and 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Tickets must be purchased in advance and are available online or in Airlie's Gardens Service Center. For more information, contact Airlie Gardens at 910-798-7700 or click www.airliegarden.org. New this year is an economical *Green* option; \$20 carload ticket, bring as many as you can fit in your vehicle for one low price. (No large passenger vans or buses). General admission tickets are \$5 for adults and \$4 children 4-12 years, 3 yrs and under free. (\$3 parking pass is required for each vehicle with the general admission fare.)

Enchanted Airlie is sponsored by Cape Fear Land Rover, Progress Energy, Port City Java, Great Clips, A&B Personnel, Parkway of Wilmington and the Cape Fear Model Railroad Club.

Airlie Gardens, located on Airlie Road near Wrightsville Beach, is 67-acres of quintessential Southern gardens with access to Bradley Creek and 10-acres of freshwater lakes. Over 100,000 azaleas, 3,000 camellias, statuary, and the Historic Airlie Oak adorn the landscape. This once privately owned garden was purchased for the public by New Hanover County in 1999. For more information, check out www.airliegarden.org.

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