

## Golden Hour Tickets\*

For the first time this tour and to enhance our Photography Contest we will be opening **four** of our tour gardens during the *morning* 'Golden Hour' over the tour weekend.

**\*For our purposes, our committee photographers have agreed 7:15 - 8:45am offers the best light, when the sun rises high enough within the tree lines in our beautiful tree lined city,** rather than the published photographer's golden hour times for our coordinates.

## Ticket Upgrade

To allow budding photographers, and/or early birds access to **four** of our tour gardens during this magical early morning time, we are offering a limited number of '**Golden Hour**' vouchers to replace your regular tour ticket vouchers on the Eventbrite website.

For an **extra \$20** (\$45 total), you can exchange your **printed** 'Golden Hour' E ticket voucher for a wristband and ticket book allowing both 'Golden Hour' access at any of the participating Golden Hour gardens *as well as* return access at all the participating tour gardens during regular hours throughout the weekend. This will afford you the opportunity to capture your perfect photo to enter in our photography contest or just spend more time in your favorite garden(s).

## Participating Golden Hour Gardens

*- you will need to purchase a '**Golden Hour**' ticket in advance and bring your printed voucher to gain access to the following gardens between **7:15 and 8:45am** during tour weekend. All ticket sales are rain or shine.*

### [\\*NC Botanical Garden](#)

DuBose House / Rizzo Center

Baddour Garden

Brown/Protzman Garden

*\*If you intend to visit the NCBG during our **Sunday** 'Golden Hour' we ask that you use the alternative gate and parking shown below as the main car park is fully required at that time.*

We politely ask that you respect the down time between our 'Golden Hour' opening times and our later, standard-priced ticket hours, perhaps taking time to grab breakfast and a drink during this time, and request that you leave the 'Golden Hour' gardens promptly at 8:45am returning to your next garden at 10am on Saturday, and/or 11am on Sunday. This allows our garden owners time to enjoy their privacy between these times, and for our garden guides and accoutrements to access their positions unhindered before regular tour hours.

# NORTH CAROLINA BOTANICAL GARDEN Driving Directions to Loading Dock

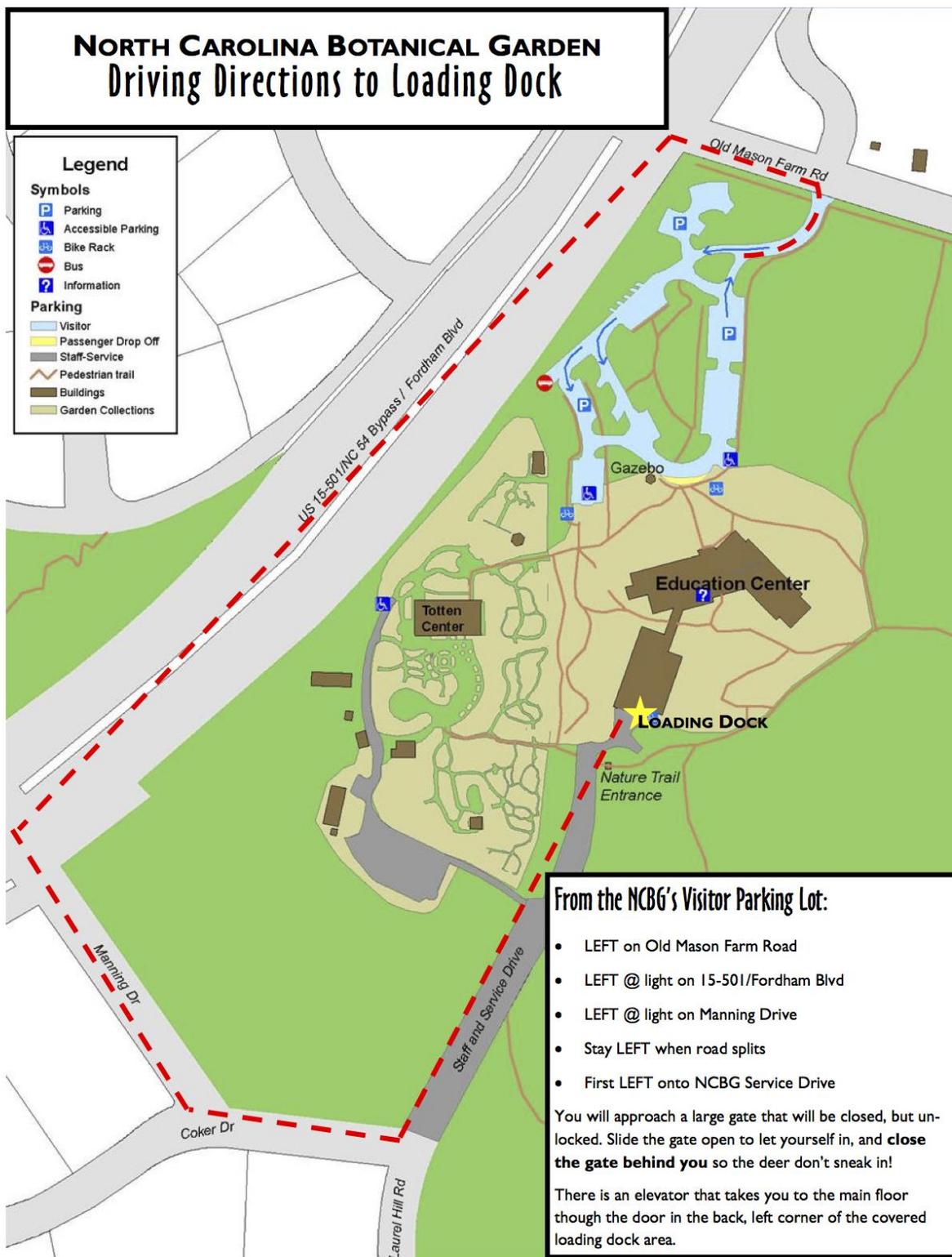
**Legend**

**Symbols**

- Parking
- Accessible Parking
- Bike Rack
- Bus
- Information

**Parking**

- Visitor
- Passenger Drop Off
- Staff-Service
- Pedestrian trail
- Buildings
- Garden Collections



**From the NCBG's Visitor Parking Lot:**

- LEFT on Old Mason Farm Road
- LEFT @ light on 15-501/Fordham Blvd
- LEFT @ light on Manning Drive
- Stay LEFT when road splits
- First LEFT onto NCBG Service Drive

You will approach a large gate that will be closed, but unlocked. Slide the gate open to let yourself in, and **close the gate behind you** so the deer don't sneak in!

There is an elevator that takes you to the main floor though the door in the back, left corner of the covered loading dock area.