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**MELINDA MYERS TO SPEAK AT
LARGEST OUTDOOR FLOWER SHOW IN THE U.S.**

Milwaukee, Wis. – April 27, 2007 – Nationally known gardening expert, TV host and author Melinda Myers will speak at the 2007 Cleveland Botanical Garden Flower Show – the largest outdoor flower show in the United States – May 26, 2007 at 1 p.m. in University Circle, Cleveland’s cultural district. Myers will present “Everything you Need for Your Small Space Garden...and then some!” The presentation will explore simple ideas for packing a lot of garden into a small space or creating an intimate garden within a large lot. Myers will participate in a book signing following her presentation. Messenger® – The Science Behind a Beautiful Garden – is the sponsor of her presentation.

The Cleveland Botanical Garden Flower Show will run for five days: Thursday, May 24-Monday, May 28, 2007. A biennial attraction modeled after the famed Chelsea Flower Show in London, England, the show attracts 28,000 gardeners, garden lovers, and those who appreciate beauty in all its forms. Visitors come from all over the country. The show includes 10 acres of lush and inspiring gardens, expert lectures and demonstrations, vendors of unique gardening merchandise, and a world-class horticulture and flower arranging competition.

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Myers, best known for her practical, gardener-friendly approach to gardening, has more than 25 years of horticultural experience in both hands-on and instructional settings. She has a master's degree in horticulture, is a certified arborist, and was a horticulture instructor with tenure. Myers shares her expertise through a variety of media outlets. She is the author of numerous gardening books, including *Can't Miss Small Space Gardening* and the *Birds & Blooms' Ultimate Gardening Guide*. She hosts "Great Lakes Gardener," seen on PBS stations throughout the United States and "Melinda's Garden Moments", which air on network television stations throughout the country. She also appears regularly as a guest expert on various national and local television and radio shows. She writes the twice monthly "Gardeners' Questions" newspaper column and is a contributing editor and columnist for *Birds & Blooms* and *Backyard Living* magazines. In addition, she hosted "The Plant Doctor" radio program for over 20 years.

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