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Green Living Expo 2011 to Feature Topiary Horticulturist Pearl Fryar

April 2011, Normal, AL---The Green Living Expo returns to Alabama A&M University's Louis Crews Football Stadium on Thursday, April 21 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. If you missed the event last year, here's your opportunity to talk to local environmental experts or to pick up valuable information on how to be an eco-friendly consumer.



The Green Living Expo will feature activities for the whole family, including a free lunch, door prizes, entertainment, a Kids Zone, and live gardening demonstrations such as a demo by topiary horticulturist [Pearl Fryar](#). Topiary is a horticulture practice of clipping trees and shrubbery into various shapes or "living forms of sculpture."

Pearl Fryar began sculpting his garden in the 1980s and soon garnered national attention, which included a 2006 documentary titled *A Man Named Pearl*. Today, visitors come from around the world to meet Fryar and to see his incredible garden.

Other exhibits will include: BeadforLife, beautiful handcrafted Ugandan jewelry made from recycled paper; Melaleuca, a producer of more than 350 environmentally friendly products for the home and families; Green Mountain Glass, Inc. that uses processed glass to make commercial products such as landscape sand and mulch; and a whole lot more, including the WEUP van from 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.!

This event is free and the public is encouraged to bring paper and plastic items such as magazines, newspapers, cardboard, phonebooks, loose-leaf papers, soda bottles, and milk jugs to recycle!

To exhibit, please call Debra Scruggs at (256) 372-4975 by Wednesday, April 13. For general information, please visit www.aces.edu/urban or contact Dr. Roger Richardson at (256) 372-4966 or Robert Spencer at (256) 766-6223.

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