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## 9th ANNUAL CANTIGNY CAR SHOW ON SEPTEMBER 21

More than 400 vehicles in all classes expected at popular family-friendly event!

WHEATON, IL, September 12, 2014 — The Cantigny Car Show will take place Sunday, September 21, from 9 am to 3 pm. The event, known as the region's "most beautiful car show" because of its setting and quality of entries, is free to attend and open to the public. Parking for spectators is \$5.

Exhibitors at the 9<sup>th</sup> annual show will compete for more than 90 awards, including Cantigny Choice and Best of Show. Other prize categories include Best Interior, Best Paint, Best Modified Engine, Lowest Low Rider, Men in Black, Best Trunk, Biggest Spoiler and Widest Tire, plus a number of Top 5, Top 10 and Top 15 awards. Prizes for youngest and oldest participants will be given, too.

Back for a third year is the Children's Choice Award, which gives kids who attend a chance to vote for their favorite car, truck or motorcycle. With this and other attractions (including a "Cars" theme inflatable slide!), Cantigny strives to be the most family-friendly car show in Chicagoland.

Cantigny Car Show awards are determined by participant voting. One exception is Cantigny Choice, considered the event's grand prize. The 2013 Cantigny Choice winner was a 1959 Chevrolet El Camino, exhibited by Tom Priz of Naperville.

All awards will be presented at 3 pm.

The Cantigny Car Show is a rain or shine event. Food and beverage concessions will be available, along with 50's-style DJ music provided by Carousel Sound.

For exhibitors, the cost of entry is \$12 in advance or \$15 day of show. Parking is complimentary for registered exhibitors, and the first 200 arrivals will receive a free limited-edition Cantigny Car Show t-shirt. Check-in begins at 7 am. Registration forms may be downloaded at <u>Cantigny.org</u>.

The First Division Museum at Cantigny Park will be exhibiting its historic fleet of military vehicles at the show. The museum, and also the Robert R. McCormick Museum, will be open during the show. Admission to both museums is free. Visitors may also enjoy a stroll through Cantigny's beautiful gardens.

Cantigny Park is open every day through October from 7 am to dusk. A complete schedule of events is posted online at <u>Cantigny.org</u>. Annual memberships starting at \$50 include unlimited free parking and other benefits.

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## **About Cantigny Park**

Cantigny Park, part of the Chicago-based nonprofit Robert R. McCormick Foundation, is the 500-acre Wheaton (Illinois) estate of Robert R. McCormick (1880-1955), longtime editor and publisher of the *Chicago Tribune*. It is home to 30 acres of spectacular gardens, the Robert R. McCormick Museum, the First Division Museum and a 27-hole championship golf course. All are open to the public. Cantigny also is a favorite destination for special events, weddings, concerts, lectures, workshops and other recreation and learning opportunities for all ages. Full-service banquet and dining facilities are on site. More information, including hours, directions and a calendar of upcoming events is online at <a href="Cantigny.org">Cantigny.org</a>. For details about Cantigny Golf, including the Cantigny Golf Academy and 9-hole Cantigny Youth Links, please visit <a href="CantignyGolf.com">CantignyGolf.com</a>.