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EXCITEMENT BUILDS FOR “LEGO WEEK” AT CANTIGNY!

-  *14th Annual LEGO® Train Show December 12-13*
-  *LEGO® Train Show Party on Saturday evening*
-  *LEGO® engineering classes for kids*
-  *USS Missouri in LEGO bricks at First Division Museum*
-  *New for 2015: Brunch with the Grinch*

Wheaton, Ill., November 30, 2015 — Cantigny Park’s annual LEGO® Train Show, a favorite holiday tradition for families, returns on Saturday, December 12, and Sunday, December 13. Show hours are 9 am to 4 pm each day.

Admission to the LEGO Train Show is complimentary with paid parking of \$5 per vehicle. Cantigny Park will waive the parking fee for anyone bringing a new and unwrapped toy for the U.S. Marine Corp Reserve’s Toys for Tots drop boxes inside the Visitors Center.

This will be the 14th show produced by the [Northern Illinois LEGO Train Club](#) and it’s the group’s largest annual event in terms of floor space and attendance. The show requires a full day of set up, transforming the entire Cantigny Visitors Center into a wonderland for LEGO fans.

The First Division Museum at Cantigny is part of the action, too, and this year the museum will display a 26-foot model of the *USS Missouri*, courtesy of Brickmania. Designed and built by Daniel Siskind, it is the world’s largest battleship made of LEGO elements--more than 500,000!

LEGO Week at Cantigny offers these additional attractions for families and kids of all ages:



**LEGO Train Show Party
Visitors Center and First Division Museum
Saturday, Dec. 12 • 6 to 8 pm**

Enjoy the show without lines! View the fascinating displays and meet the builders. Snacks, desserts and hot chocolate will be served and a cash bar will be available. Party tickets are \$25 for adults (Cantigny members \$20) and \$18 for ages 3-12 (member children \$15). Kids 2 and under free. Prices includes a souvenir LEGO mini figure (one per person) and complimentary parking.

Advance purchase tickets are required and may be purchased online at Cantigny.org, at the park in the Cantigny Shop or by phone at 630.260.8162. Tickets quantities are limited.



Brunch with the Grinch
Red Oak Room at Cantigny Golf
Saturday, Dec. 12 • 10 am and 12:30 pm seatings

Feast on a Grinch-themed buffet before or after the LEGO Train Show and enjoy a screening of “How the Grinch Stole Christmas.” Meet the Grinch, too! Brunch prices are \$18 for adults and \$12 for ages 4-10; kids 3 and under free. RSVP at 630.260.8194 or email amyanderson@cantigny.org. The Red Oak Room is located at 27w270 Mack Road in Wheaton.



Young LEGO builders are invited to the park before the big show for these fun and educational workshops:



Jedi Engineering with LEGO
Medill Room at Cantigny Visitors Center
Tuesday, Dec. 8 • 4:30 to 6 pm • ages 5-7



Jedi Master Engineering with LEGO
Cantigny Education Center
Wednesday, Dec. 9 • 4:30 to 6 pm • ages 7-11

Cost for each class is \$18 per child and includes expert instruction by the staff of Play-Well TEKnologies. Class registration is online at Cantigny.org or call 630.260.8162.



Second Saturday: Engineering
McCormick Museum Gold Theatre
Saturday, Dec. 12 • 12 to 3 pm • free

Families can enjoy a break from the bustling LEGO show at the museum’s monthly drop-in program (no registration needed) where the theme will be engineering. Guests will try their hand at building a bridge using a sheet of paper and then a structure that might be able to survive a simulated earthquake.

Cantigny Park is open daily in December from 9 am to sunset. The park will close December 24, 25 and 31. More information, including directions and a calendar of upcoming events is online at Cantigny.org.

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About Cantigny Park

Cantigny Park, part of the nonprofit Chicago-based 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 Cantigny.org.