

“Celebrate the Season” at Cantigny Park on December 1

Evening event offers festive sights and sounds for the whole family; some openings for Brunch with Santa on Dec. 2 still available!

WHEATON, IL, Nov. 20, 2012 — Cantigny Park will host two special holiday events the first weekend in December:

- ***Celebrate the Season Holiday Festival***

Saturday, Dec. 1

4 pm to 7 pm

Free event with paid parking (\$2 per vehicle)

Enjoy the park at its holiday best! Activities and attractions will include:

- tree lighting ceremony
- ice carving demonstrations
- sleigh rides (\$1 per person)
- live reindeer display
- performances by the Canterbury Carollers
- children’s craft and face painting (\$1 per person)
- delicious holiday treats available in Bertie’s Café
- unique gift ideas in the Cantigny Shoppe
- Santa and Mrs. Claus!

In addition, the Robert R. McCormick Museum will host a Holiday Open House from 5 to 8 pm. Visitors can view seven Christmas trees decorated by local non-profit groups and vote for their favorite. Each charity receives a donation from the McCormick Foundation. Also at the museum, Mrs. Claus will read children’s stories in the historic library under an 18-foot tree richly decorated by Phillip’s Flowers and Gifts.

- ***Brunch with Santa***

Sunday, Dec. 2

Le Jardin at Cantigny Park (in the Visitors Center)

11 am and 1 pm seatings

\$15/children (ages 3-12); \$23/adults; kids 2 and under free

Prices for this exclusive meet-and-greet with Mr. C include tax and gratuity, photo with Santa, balloon-twisting entertainment and a Santa hat for each child. See the delicious kid-friendly menu online at Cantigny.org. For reservations call 630.260.8260 or email jchase@cantigny.org.

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About Cantigny Park

Cantigny Park, part of the nonprofit Chicago-based Robert R. McCormick Foundations, 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. For details about Cantigny Golf, including the Cantigny Golf Academy and 9-hole Cantigny Youth Links, please visit CantignyGolf.com.

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