

Deadline Approaching for Cantigny 2013 Photo Contest

WHEATON, IL, October 7, 2013 — Amateur photographers of all ages are invited to enter their best images in the *Cantigny in Focus* annual photo contest. <u>The submission deadline is Sunday, November 10.</u>

Submitted images (maximum 10) must be from the grounds of Cantigny Park or Cantigny Golf in Wheaton, the 500-acre former estate of Robert R. McCormick. Pictures taken in 2013 or earlier are eligible.

Cantigny-appointed judges will select 40 winning images for public display in the park's Visitors Center Gallery. Judges will be looking for photographs that best represent the scope of Cantigny, including golf, museums, special events, gardens, adult and children's programs, concerts, military events and nature.

The 40 entries chosen for display will be enlarged, professionally framed at Cantigny's expense and returned to the photographers at the end of 2014. Top 40 finishers also will receive a free annual membership (basic level) to Cantigny Park.

The winning entries will go on display starting February 7, 2014. Park visitors may then vote for their favorite images until December 5, 2014. Owners of the top three favorites will receive a prize.

Full details about *Cantigny in Focus*, including rules and official entry form, are available online at <u>Cantigny.org</u>. Questions should be directed to Brian Gray at 630.260.8167 or <u>bgray@Cantigny.org</u>.

Cantigny Park, located at 1s151 Winfield Road in Wheaton, is open from 7 am to sunset every day through October. Hours are 9 am to sunset in November and December.

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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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