

Cantigny's Free Outdoor Concerts Begin Memorial Day Weekend!

Sunday and holiday concerts are back, plus four Saturday shows for kids

WHEATON, IL, May 10, 2012 — Cantigny Park is once again the leading west-suburban venue for free summer concerts! Starting Memorial Day weekend, 17 bands representing a wide variety of musical genres will entertain guests on Sunday afternoons and on Memorial Day, Independence Day and Labor Day.

In addition, four Saturday shows especially for kids (also free) are scheduled.

Sunday and children's concerts feature lawn seating and are complimentary with paid parking (\$5 per car). Performances take place at the Cantigny bandshell near the park's front entrance or, if noted, in front of the First Division Museum:

- **Tinley Park Arts Alive! Community Band** (jazz)
Sunday, May 27, 3 pm
- **Wheaton Municipal Band's Dixie Cups** (Dixieland)
Monday, May 28, 3 pm
- **Ac-Rock** (a cappella)
Sunday, June 3, 3 pm
- **Zazz** (jazz)
Sunday, June 10, 3 pm
- **José Valdes & The Mambo All-Stars** (Latin)
Sunday, June 24, 3 pm
- **Navy Band Great Lakes** (wind ensemble)
Sunday, July 1, 3 pm, at the First Division Museum
- **Southwest Community Concert Band** (patriotic)
Wednesday, July 4, 3 pm, at the First Division Museum
Free parking on Independence Day!
- **Jin & Tonic Band** (country)
Sunday, July 8, 3 pm
- **Northshore Concert Band**
Sunday, July 15, 3 pm, at the First Division Museum
- **Denny Diamond** (Neil Diamond tribute)
Sunday, July 22, 3 pm
- **The Legends** (70's music)
Sunday, July 29, 3 pm
- **Celtic Sounds** (Irish)
Sunday, August 5, 3 pm
- **The Neverly Brothers** (50's music)
Sunday, August 12, 3 pm

- **Roots Rock Society** (Caribbean/reggae)
Sunday, August 19, 3 pm
- **Air Force Band Mid-America** (concert band)
Sunday, August 26, 3 pm, at the First Division Museum
- **Naperville Big Band**
Sunday, September 2, 3 pm
- **Fast Eddie and the Corvettes** (70's music and earlier)
Monday, September 3, 3 pm

Free concerts especially for kids, each at 2 pm:

- **Jeanie B! and the Jelly Beans**
Saturday, June 23
- **Steve Beno**
Saturday, July 14
- **Super Stolie and the Rockstars**
Saturday, July 28
- **Dave Rudolf**
Saturday, August 11

For all concerts, guests are encouraged to bring a blanket or chairs. Picnics are welcome, and Le Jardin and Bertie's Café (in the Visitors Center) are available for pre-concert meals and snacks.

Cantigny Park is open every day throughout the summer from 7 am to dusk. Parking fees are \$5 per vehicle or \$2 off-peak (before 10 am and after 5 pm). Annual memberships starting at \$50 include unlimited free parking.

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About Cantigny Park

Cantigny Park, part of the 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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