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LEGO® ENTHUSIASTS CALLED TO CANTIGNY

 *13th Annual LEGO® Train Show Dec. 13-14 includes party on Saturday evening*

 *LEGO® Engineering classes for kids Dec. 9 & 10*

 *New for 2014: Battle of the Bulge LEGO display at First Division Museum*

Wheaton, Ill., December 1, 2014 — Cantigny Park's annual LEGO® Train Show, a treasured holiday tradition for many families, returns on Saturday, Dec. 13, and Sunday, Dec. 14. Show hours are 9 am to 4 pm each day. Admission is free.

The show, requiring a full day of set up, transforms the entire Cantigny Visitors Center into a virtual wonderland for LEGO® fans. It is produced by the [Northern Illinois LEGO® Train Club](#) and is the group's largest annual event in terms of floor space and attendance.

This year the LEGO® show spills over to the First Division Museum, too, where visitors will see a massive Battle of the Bulge display made entirely of LEGO® bricks. Ten award-winning LEGO® modelers spent four months re-creating key scenes from the epic World War II battle. (The display opened Nov. 25 and runs through Dec. 30.)

LEGO® fans also are invited to the LEGO® Train Show party on Saturday, Dec. 13, from 6 to 8 pm. Guests will enjoy the show without lines as they view the fascinating displays and meet the builders. Snacks, desserts and hot chocolate will be served and a cash bar will be available. Ticket holders also receive a commemorative LEGO® Train Show wooden whistle and complimentary parking.

The party is priced at \$15 for adults and \$8 for children ages 3-12. Kids 2 and under are free. Cantigny members receive a discount. Tickets may be purchased online at [Cantigny.org](#), at the park in the Cantigny Shop or by phone at 630.260.8162.

In addition, young LEGO® builders are invited to the park before the main event for these workshops:

-  Pre-engineering with LEGO®
Tuesday, Dec. 9, for ages 5-6
-  Engineering FUNdamentals with LEGO®
Wednesday, Dec. 10, for ages 7-12

Both 90-minute workshops begin at 4:30 pm in the Medill Room, inside the Cantigny Visitors Center. Cost is \$20 per child and includes expert instruction by the staff of Play-Well TEKologies. Class registration is online at [Cantigny.org](#) or call 630.260.8162.

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.

Cantigny Park is open daily in December from 9 am to sunset. The park is closed on Dec. 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. For details about Cantigny Golf, including the Cantigny Golf Academy and 9-hole Cantigny Youth Links, please visit CantignyGolf.com.