CANTIGNY PARK ANNOUNCES PHOTO CONTEST WINNERS

Top three images determined by public voting throughout 2018

Wheaton, Ill., December 13, 2018 — Cantigny Park visitors voted, and the results are in! The top three prize winners of the 2017 Cantigny in Focus amateur photo contest are:

- **First Place:** Ron Misjak Sr., St. Charles, for his close-up of a milkweed plant covered with bright red milkweed bugs.
- **Second Place:** Scott Seifrid, St. Charles, for his razor-sharp capture of a ruby-throated hummingbird feeding on purple salvia.
- **Third Place:** Peggy A. Evinger, Wheaton, for her colorful image of Cantigny’s “Spirit of Commitment” sculpture against a backdrop of yellow maple leaves.

The winning shots were among 20 finalists chosen a year ago by a judging panel and displayed at the park throughout 2018. Visitors were encouraged to vote for their favorites. The top three receive a Cantigny gift card ($100, $75 or $50). All 40 finalists received a Cantigny Park annual membership.

*Cantigny in Focus*, an annual event for amateur photographers, began in 2006. Submitted images must be from the grounds of Cantigny Park or Cantigny Golf in Wheaton, the 500-acre former estate of Robert R. McCormick.

Entries from the 2018 edition of *Cantigny in Focus* will go on display at the park in February. The top three prize winners will again be determined by the public, with voting conducted throughout 2019.

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About Cantigny Park
Cantigny Park, part of the Chicago-based Robert R. McCormick Foundations, is the former Wheaton estate of Robert R. McCormick (1880-1955). It is home to the McCormick House, First Division Museum, display gardens, picnic grounds, walking trails and a Visitors Center with banquet and dining facilities. More information, including hours, directions and upcoming events is online at Cantigny.org. Cantigny Golf, adjacent to the park, features a 27-hole championship golf course, full-service clubhouse, Cantigny Golf Academy and the 9-hole Cantigny Youth Links. For more information, visit CantignyGolf.com.