

# Free, Fun and Educational Weekly Programs for Kids!

WHEATON, IL, May 30, 2013 — When school is out, Cantigny Park is in! This summer, Cantigny again offers weekly afternoon programs for children that are free, fun and educational. No preregistration is necessary, and adults pay only for parking (\$5 per car). The programs are on a "drop in" basis, meaning participants are welcome at any time during the designated hours below.

The following Drop-In Programs will be offered:

#### Education Cart

Tuesdays starting June 4 (through August 27)

1 to 3 pm

First Division Museum

Children ages 6 to 12 can explore a different theme each week and learn something new about our country's military history.

## History Alive!

Thursdays starting June 6 (through August 29)

1 to 3 pm

First Division Museum

Children ages 6 to 12 are invited to learn about a different military topic each week. Dress in a soldier's uniform, interact with artifacts and participate in games and crafts from the day's designated time period.

### Wild Wednesdays

Wednesdays starting June 12 (through August 7)

1 to 3 pm

Visitors Center backyard

Kids from 3 to 10 will enjoy hands-on nature exploration through games and crafts. Each week will have a different theme such as water, flowers or transportation. This outdoor program will not be held during inclement weather.

Cantigny Park offers a wide range of summer programming for children, including art classes, Camp Cantigny, concerts and Movies in the Park. Many activities and events are free with paid parking. The complete schedule of summer events, classes and concerts is online at <a href="Cantigny.org">Cantigny.org</a>.

Cantigny is open every day throughout the summer from 7 am to dusk. Parking fees are \$5 per vehicle or \$2 off-peak (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 <a href="Cantigny.org">Cantigny.org</a>. For details about Cantigny Golf, including the Cantigny Golf Academy and 9-hole Cantigny Youth Links, please visit <a href="CantignyGolf.com">CantignyGolf.com</a>.

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