

Cantigny Greenhouse Opens to Public on Sunday, May 4

Complimentary annual open house includes tours, demonstrations and kids' activities

WHEATON, IL, April 25, 2014 — The Horticulture Department at Cantigny Park will host an open house on Sunday, May 4, from 10 am to 3 pm. The event offers garden enthusiasts a rare opportunity to go inside the Cantigny greenhouse where more than 1,000 varieties of flowers are propagated annually.

The 18,000-square-foot greenhouse supplies the plants displayed throughout the Cantigny gardens and golf course as well as interior spaces around the park.

The family-friendly open house offers something for all ages and interest levels. Self-guided tours will be available along with demonstrations, a “green activity” for kids, and exhibits by local organizations that promote environmental conservation and education.

Open house admission is free, and Cantigny is waiving its usual \$5 parking fee for attendees. Visitors should enter Cantigny Park through the main entrance on Winfield Road, not at Shaffner Road. Complimentary trams will be running from the main parking lot to the greenhouse.

More information about Cantigny Park, including hours, directions and a calendar of upcoming events is online at Cantigny.org.

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About Cantigny Park

Cantigny Park, part of the 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.

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