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NEW FOR 2015: “SECOND SATURDAYS” AT THE McCORMICK MUSEUM

Monthly drop-in program is free, interactive and ideal for families!

Wheaton, Ill., March 2, 2015 — Cantigny Park’s Robert R. McCormick Museum is pleased to introduce “Second Saturdays” beginning Saturday, March 14. Themed programming designed for families with children ages 6 to 12 is scheduled for the second Saturday of every month through December.

Crafts and other hands-on activities will be offered by the museum free of charge with no advance registration needed. Families are invited to drop by any time between noon and 3 pm to have fun together and maybe even learn something new.

“It’s exciting to add more family programming to the McCormick Museum,” said Stephanie Moyer, the museum’s new educator. “Museum education is all about making history fun and inspiring future generations to love it as much as we do.”

Second Saturday activities will take place in different parts of the museum or outside the museum depending on the season. The first three programs will meet in the museum’s historic Gold Theatre:

- **Saturday, March 14**
Theme: Women’s History Month
Ratified in 1920, the 19th Amendment granted women the right to vote. Visitors can make suffragette sashes and pins, and view a small display about Ruth Hanna McCormick, Robert McCormick’s sister-in-law, who advocated suffrage for women and civic participation.
- **Saturday, April 11**
Theme: Innovation
Robert McCormick loved innovation. Invent something yourself using recycled materials and test your knowledge about the timing of history’s most important inventions.
- **Saturday, May 9**
Theme: Journalism
Honoring Robert McCormick’s strong ties to journalism, visitors can make their own Cantigny newspaper. The museum’s “selfie station” will offer vintage reporter props for fun family photos!

The McCormick Museum is open Tuesday through Friday for free guided tours. Hours vary by season and day of the week. Parking is \$5 or free for [Cantigny Park](#) members.

About the Robert R. McCormick Museum

The McCormick Museum is a historic house museum interpreting the life and legacy of Colonel Robert R. McCormick (1880-1955), longtime editor and publisher of the *Chicago Tribune*. It is located at Cantigny Park, the Colonel's 500-acre Wheaton (Illinois) estate that he left as a gift to the public.

About Cantigny Park

Part of the nonprofit Chicago-based Robert R. McCormick Foundation, Cantigny 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. More information, including park hours, directions and a calendar of upcoming events is online at Cantigny.org.