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FAVORITE “CARECROW” CHOSEN BY CANTIGNY VISITORS

Four participating nonprofits receive grants from Robert R. McCormick Foundation

Wheaton, Ill., November 11, 2021 — Cantigny Park today announced that the “CAREcrow” display by The Gardenworks Project received the most votes in public balloting. By winning the popular vote, the organization earns an additional \$1,000 grant from the Robert R. McCormick Foundation for a total of \$2,000. Three other participating local charities each received \$1,000.

[GardenWorks Project](#), based in West Chicago, promotes food growing through home and community gardens to improve the community's well-being, environment, and those facing food insecurity. “Everyone deserves fresh produce” is the nonprofit’s motto. Jeannie Iseman, executive director for GardenWorks, accepted the check from Scott Witte, director of horticulture for Cantigny Park.

This was the first year for CAREcrows, a program in which nonprofits invited by Cantigny Horticulture created fall-themed educational exhibits on the grounds. Park visitors could vote for their favorite display throughout October and make optional cash donations.

Participating organizations (in addition to GardenWorks) were:

- [Loaves & Fishes Community Services](#), Naperville
- [The Resiliency Institute](#), Naperville
- [SCARCE](#), Addison

The four CAREcrow creators were chosen for their commitments to environmental issues and sustainability, alleviating hunger, and building self-sufficiency in our communities. Cantigny is aligned with their goals and proud to support them.

Cantigny Park is open daily from 9 am to sunset, with free parking on the first Wednesday of the month. More information and a full calendar of events are 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 estate of Robert R. McCormick (1880-1955), long-time editor and publisher of the *Chicago Tribune*. It is home to the McCormick House, First Division Museum, display gardens, picnic grounds, walking trails, and a Visitors Center with a gift shop, theater, and café. More information, including hours, directions, and upcoming events, is online at [Cantigny.org](#). Adjacent to the park, Cantigny Golf 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](#).