

CANTIGNY LAUNCHES FREE ENTRY ON WEDNESDAYS

Parking fee waived for those who register in advance; park closed on Tuesdays.

Wheaton, IL, February 29, 2024 — Cantigny plans to offer free parking on Wednesdays for those who register in advance, effective March 6 through October 30.

"This is another step toward expanding our reach in the community and making Cantigny even more welcoming," said Matt LaFond, executive director. "We hope to inspire firsttime guests and repeat visitors to explore Cantigny and all that we have to offer."

The park previously offered complimentary parking only on the first Wednesday of the month. Starting next week, guests can enjoy free parking every Wednesday by signing up online at Cantigny.org. Those who register receive a QR code for scanning at the park entrance.

Also in 2024, Cantigny will close on Tuesdays. Closing one day per week enables maintenance work in high-traffic areas without disrupting the visitor experience.

Cantigny parking fees in 2024 are as follows:

- \$5 weekdays, through October 31
- \$5 weekends, through April 30
- \$15 weekends, May through October
- \$20 Concert Sundays, June through August

For frequent visitors, Cantigny now offers a season pass for \$199. Pass holders receive unlimited free parking throughout 2024 along with five guest passes, each redeemable for 2024 Cantigny parking on any day.

Upcoming events at Cantigny include the <u>Easter Egg Hunt and Brunch Buffet</u> on Sunday, March 24, and <u>Easter Brunch</u> on Sunday, March 31. Details about these and other activities are posted at <u>Cantigny.org</u>.

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About Cantigny

<u>Cantigny</u>, in Wheaton, Illinois, is the 500-acre estate of Colonel Robert R. McCormick (1880-1955), long-time editor and publisher of the *Chicago Tribune*, and founder of the Chicago-based <u>Robert R. McCormick Foundation</u>. It is home to display gardens, walking trails, a museum dedicated to the 1st Infantry Division of the U.S. Army, a highly ranked 27-hole public golf course, and a golf academy for all ages. More information is online at Cantigny.org, including hours, admission fees and a calendar of upcoming events.

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