

Theater Hike Will Explore the Fascinating Life of Frank Lloyd Wright

WHEATON, IL, August 3, 2011 — Tickets are now on sale for Cantigny Park's first-ever "theater hike" on Saturday, August 20, at 1 pm. "Work Song: Three Views of Frank Lloyd Wright" will be performed on the Cantigny grounds amid spectacular gardens.

Produced by [Theatre-Hikes®](#) and created by Jeffrey Hatcher and Eric Simonson, "Work Song" profiles the life of Frank Lloyd Wright, the famous architect with Chicago roots. Audience members will stroll along with actors as they perform in various natural settings. It's theater without walls!

"We are honored to host the premier performance of 'Work Song,'" said Laura Evans, Cantigny director of visitor services. "Local interest in Frank Lloyd Wright is very high, but anyone who enjoys outdoor theater and gardens will love this event."

Tickets are \$10 per person and may be purchased in advance at the Cantigny Park Gift Shop or parking booth. In addition, through August 13, tickets may be ordered online at [Cantigny.org](#) or by phone at 630.260.8162. A limited number of tickets are expected to be available on the day of performance. Parking is free for ticketholders.

"Work Song" consists of three acts. The first looks at Frank Lloyd Wright's early life, highlighting his ambition and drive. The second act explores his success, how he deals with it and how it affects his family life. The third act depicts Wright in his later years as he tries to recapture some of the things he's lost.

Seating for the two-hour roving performance is on the lawn, so spectators are encouraged to bring blankets or lawn chairs. Water bottles also are recommended.

Cantigny Park is open every day during summer from 7 am to dusk. A complete schedule of concerts, workshops and special events is posted 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 highly rated 27-hole golf course. All are open to the public. Cantigny also is a favorite destination for special events, 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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