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TWO FEBRUARY PROGRAMS EXPLORE THE PROHIBITION ERA

Historians from The Mob Museum in Las Vegas will share insights

Wheaton, Ill., January 20, 2022 – The Museums at Cantigny Park announce two programs in February focusing on 1920s Prohibition and its ramifications. Historians from [The Mob Museum](http://TheMobMuseum.com) in Las Vegas will present online via Zoom. Both events are free but require advance registration at Cantigny.org.

Thursday, February 3 • 7 pm CST

Date with History

Water is the War Drink: The Path from WWI to Prohibition

The First Division Museum at Cantigny Park welcomes **Claire White**, educational programs manager at The Mob Museum. She will discuss the role that World War I played in the passing of the 18th Amendment, ratified in 1919, and how cultural shifts during wartime affected Prohibition's enforcement. White is a public historian interested in the cultural and religious history of the United States. She earned a history degree at the University of Nevada and a master's in public history from the University of South Carolina.



Thursday, February 24 • 7 pm CST

Headlines from History

The St. Valentine's Day Massacre

The Robert R. McCormick House at Cantigny Park welcomes **Geoff Schumacher**, vice president of programs and exhibits at The Mob Museum. He will discuss one of the most horrifying acts of violence in organized crime history, Chicago's St. Valentine's Day Massacre on February 14, 1929. News coverage of the event generated public outrage and dramatic responses from both supporters and opponents of Prohibition. Schumacher is a veteran newspaper journalist and the author of two books. He earned a bachelor's degree in journalism from the University of Nevada and a master's in American history from Arizona State University.



The First Division Museum is closed in January but open weekends in February starting Friday, February 4. McCormick House is closed for renovation and will reopen later this year. Cantigny museums are free admission with paid parking. Visit Cantigny.org for additional details, including a calendar of upcoming events.

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About The Mob Museum

The Mob Museum is a world-class destination in downtown Las Vegas dedicated to the thrilling story of organized crime and law enforcement. It presents an exciting and authentic view of the Mob's impact on Las Vegas history and its unique imprint on the world. True stories of Mob history are brought to life in a bold and contemporary style via engaging exhibits, high-tech theater presentations and hundreds of artifacts—the largest collection of Mob and related law enforcement memorabilia under one roof. For more information, visit themobmuseum.org.

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.