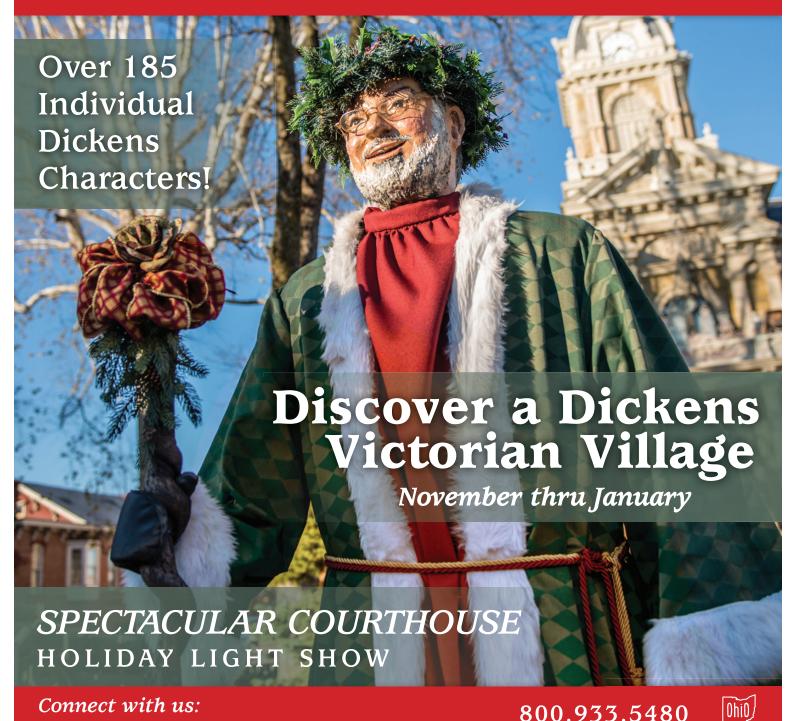
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Take a trip back in time and experience old world England as historic downtown Cambridge, Ohio, is charmingly transformed into a Dickens Victorian Village each holiday season.

The Dickens Victorian Village scenes are comprised of life-sized and handmade mannequins wearing real vintage clothing. The faces for each character have been individually sculpted and painted by local artists.

Displays include engaging depictions of classic Dickens era scenes and figures such as Bob Cratchit and Tiny Tim, the town crier, groups of carolers, a bucket brigade, lamplighters, school children, street peddlers, and Father Christmas, all posed in active scenes that appear frozen in time.

The celebration begins in November with a chocolate walk, carriage rides, "A Christmas Story" presentation by Gerald Dickens, the great, great grandson of Charles Dickens, a Sherlock Holmes Murder Mystery Weekend, and the lighting of the historic Guernsey County Courthouse. A special holiday parade also takes place featuring both Father Christmas and Santa Claus. Each weekend has a unique theme and special events.

Make plans to visit the Dickens Welcome Center with Imagination Station at 745 Steubenville Ave., Cambridge, Ohio. It's all Dickens all the time! Costumed volunteers share stories and photos of how the Dickens display was created. Purchase Dickens and holiday souvenirs as you go behind the scenes to learn how it took a village to create this magnificent community event. Stop in for your walking tour brochure, commemorative merchandise, original artwork and event information. The Imagination Station is everyone's favorite place for reminiscing. Select the perfect Victorian hat, gloves, and cape as you imagine being a Victorian yourself and posing for a picture with Charles Dickens. Full tea is served in The Victorian Tea Room on Saturdays through December.

The Dickens Victorian Village is on display daily from early November through the first of January. Visitors are welcome to visit the exhibition any time of the day. Special holiday getaway packages are available for individuals, families and groups!

