

HOLIDAY GETAWAY STORY IDEAS

CAMBRIDGE GUERNSEY COUNTY

Discover a Dickens Victorian Village

November thru January

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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 characters wearing beautiful handmade 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, trolley rides, a Sherlock Holmes Murder Mystery Weekend (written by a local playwright is offered every other year), and the lighting of the historic Guernsey County Courthouse. A special holiday parade also takes place featuring both Father Christmas and Santa Claus. Victorian Teas are held at various locations throughout Cambridge. Be on the lookout for Queen Victoria. You never know when Her Majesty may show up at one of the teas!

The Historic Guernsey County Courthouse comes to life each evening during the two-month Dickens Victorian Village event with thousands a twinkling lights set to Christmas music. The display runs from 5:30 p.m. until 9 p.m., and on holidays until 11 p.m.

Make plans to visit the Dickens Welcome Center with Imagination Station, Curiosity Shoppe, and the Educational Side of Dickens at 647 Wheeling 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.

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!



For media specific information and high resolution downloadable images, visit the media page at DickensVictorianVillage.com.



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