

Sherlock Holmes Murder Mystery Weekend returns to Cambridge Nov. 7 & 8

Cambridge, OHIO (September 22, 2025) – The highly anticipated Sherlock Holmes Murder Mystery Weekend is set to return to downtown Cambridge, Ohio on November 7 & 8, marking its ninth year of engaging the community with thrilling storytelling and immersive experiences.

Attendees are invited to delve into the captivating narrative of “Sherlock Holmes and the Problem of the Two-Faced Specter,” an original play crafted by talented local playwright Anne Chlovechok.

“Anne has once again masterfully penned a uniquely Cambridge, Ohio murder mystery,” said Debbie Robinson, Director of the Cambridge/Guernsey County Visitors & Convention Bureau, “She has captured the essence of an enthralling weekend experience that intertwines mystery, history, and Victorian flair. This narrative not only engages the imagination but also serves as a perfect opportunity to immerse oneself in a unique experience.”

This captivating three-act play invites you to join the legendary detective Sherlock Holmes and his trusted companion, Doctor Watson, as they journey from London to the charming streets of Cambridge, Ohio. Here, they confront a perplexing case involving the erratic behavior of their old friend, Police Chief Thorough, and the life-threatening predicament faced by Sgt. Podlowski.

Could their friend have gone over to the dark side? Or is something else afoot? Holmes and Watson will stop at nothing to discover the truth of the Problem of the Two-Faced Specter.

The 20th annual Dickens Victorian Village event promises to be a whimsical adventure. Participants of all ages are invited to join in the fun, searching for clues and collaborating in teams. So, grab your top hats and bonnets for an unforgettable weekend of deduction in Cambridge.

Friday evening guests will enjoy the opportunity to meet and mingle with the playwright, snack on heavy hors d'oeuvres and desserts, and begin formulating theories during Act 1 at the Pritchard Laughlin Civic Center. Saturday morning brings more drama (and a hearty brunch) with Act II, followed by an amusing afternoon chasing clues throughout downtown Cambridge. The mystery will be solved on Saturday evening following the performance of Act III. Chat with Mr. Holmes, Dr. Watson, and the full cast of characters over a satisfying assortment of desserts, coffee, and teas. And one lucky detective will walk away with the grand prize of \$250.

For more detailed information on the weekend's activities or to purchase a Baker Street overnight package, log on to VisitGuernseyCounty.com or call the VCB office at 740-432-2022. Deadline for registration is October 25, so don't delay!

Not free to participate in the mystery weekend? You can still see the play in its entirety the following weekend at Pritchard Laughlin. Three opportunities Friday and Saturday Nov. 14 & 15 at 7 p.m. and Sunday, Nov. 16 at 3 p.m. Call 740-439-7009 for tickets.

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