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Decked Out for Dickens in Downtown Cambridge

Cambridge, Ohio (October 11, 2013) Here's your opportunity to "dress to the nines" in true high society style! Join us for the third of nine Dickens Victorian Village themed weekends as we get "Decked out for Dickens" November 16-17.

Walk "Out and About on Main" on Saturday through the streets of Historic Downtown Cambridge in your Victorian Era finest. Learn how to make a hat with renowned artist Marie Lekorenos that morning then join in a "Hats on Parade" from our courthouse to the Dickens Welcome Center.

Take an old fashioned trolley ride through the downtown district and be gently carried away to bygone days. A costumed guide will join you on your trip to share the history of our area and to explain the eight lovely stops you can enjoy along the way including Ye Olde Curiosity Shoppe and Dickens Welcome Center, Peddler's Village, National Museum of Cambridge Glass, Hopalong Cassidy Museum, Kennedy's Bakery, the Historic Guernsey County Courthouse, Guernsey County Historical Museum and High Tea and Colonel Taylor Inn. The trolley rides take place at the top of every hour from 10am-5pm. Tickets may be purchased on line or at the Dickens Welcome Center the day of the ride.

Top off your Saturday evening with an event filled with romantic elegance when women wore hoop skirts and men donned top hats. Named for a Christmas dance attended by a youthful Ebenezer Scrooge in "A Christmas Carol," Fezziwig's Ball will have all things Victorian — from the music and dancing to the food. Mr. Fezziwig himself may even appear! The evening will include a catered dinner, dancing (including traditional dance instruction, if you'd like), and a performances of vintage dance that would even make Scrooge give a cheer!

On Sunday afternoon, join actor and historian Christopher Hart for "A Christmas Carol Unwrapped." Dressed in Victorian costume, Mr. Hart will present a brief history of Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol*. His delightful one-man presentation defines the meanings of many of the objects that were part of Dickens' everyday life. Everyone from the casual reader to the avid Dickens fan will have their holiday season brightened by this new look at an old favorite.

Dickens Victorian Village takes place from November through mid-January each year when Historic Downtown Cambridge comes to life with 89 scenes of 160 lifelike figures representing classic scenes from Victorian society. To add to the festive atmosphere, each evening from 5:30pm – 9pm, the magnificent 1881 Guernsey County Courthouse pulsates to holiday music with synchronized lights. For more information on all Dickens Victorian Village events or to purchase an individual holiday package for you or someone special on your holiday list, visit DickensVictorianVillage.com.

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