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## **SHAKER VILLAGE RELEASES FALL PROGRAMMING WITH A SPOOKY TWIST**

*Offerings range from family-friendly fun to historical lessons of Pleasant Hill's past.*

**HARRODSBURG, KY, (October 8, 2019)** – Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill is ready for spooky season with a lineup of programming any fall lover will enjoy. This month visitors to the Village will be able to enjoy weekly seasonal events in addition to year-round [Daily Adventures](#) like Shaker music, historic tours and farm experiences.

The October programs include:

[Spirit Stroll](#) – Every Friday and Saturday in October at 5:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. for \$5 you can go on a bone-chilling lantern walk down the Turnpike ending at the Shaker Cemetery. During your stroll your guide will delve into some of the darker and more macabre moments in Shaker Village's history including maiming's, catastrophic building loss, sickness and suicides that had a major impact on the community.

[Hayrides](#) – On Fridays and Saturdays in October at 6:30 p.m. for \$5 (ages 6+) and free for ages five and under visitors can hop on a hayride that explores the death rites and rituals of the Shakers. The *Last Rides: Shaker Funeral Practices* tour takes you to the 1811 Shaker Cemetery where along the way you'll learn about Shaker burial practices which shunned waste and excess.

[Boo! Cruise](#) – The Dixie Belle Riverboat will depart on Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at noon, 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. for a Halloween party on the Kentucky River. There will be costume contests, spooky story time, games and light refreshments on this family-friendly cruise. Admission ranges from \$5-\$15 and your fee includes one complimentary admission pass to Shaker Village and a 20% off voucher for dining at [The Trustees' Table](#).

[Trick-or-Treat](#) – Gather along the Village road on October 25 and 26<sup>th</sup> from 4:30-7:00 p.m. for Shaker Village's own special Trick-or-Treat event for \$5 (ages 3+). Kids can collect treats and make a craft while families can enjoy hayrides, live music, food and drinks, and warm up by the bonfires. There will also be a costume contest, so everyone is encouraged to dress up.

[Horse Drawn Wagon Rides](#) – Every Sunday in October guests can experience horse drawn wagon rides at 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. for \$5-\$10 (free for ages five and under). During the ride along the historic roadway guests will learn about horses, farmland and the cultural landscape of the Village.

October marks the last full month of 2019 for the [Music on the Lawn](#) event and daily [Riverboat Cruises](#) on the Dixie Belle. Music on the Lawn can be enjoyed complimentary every Friday and Saturday from 5:30-8:30 p.m. Rides on the Dixie Belle depart every day through November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2:00 and 4:00 p.m. and feature the program *Civil War on the Kentucky River* for \$5-\$10 (ages five and under are free).

Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill in Harrodsburg is located just 40 minutes away from Lexington, and 80 minutes outside of Louisville. To plan your visit to Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill, or to learn more, visit [shakervillageky.org](http://shakervillageky.org) or call 800.734.5611.

### **ABOUT SHAKER VILLAGE OF PLEASANT HILL**

Named a top hidden travel destination by BBC News and awarded TripAdvisor's Certificate of Excellence, Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill is a landmark destination that shares 3,000 acres of discovery in the spirit of the Kentucky Shakers. With 34 original Shaker structures, the site is home to the country's largest private collection of original 19th century buildings and is the largest National Historic Landmark in Kentucky. Demonstrating a commitment to community, sustainability and ingenuity, Shaker Village embraces three pillars rooted in time-honored Shaker legacies, including balanced preservation and conservation; engaged learning and exploration; and warm, spirited hospitality. Onsite services at Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill include overnight accommodations, dining, beverage and catering services, three craft shops, exhibitions in historic buildings, a farm and garden area, the Dixie Belle Riverboat and 1,200 acres of restored native prairie. For more information, please visit [shakervillageky.org](http://shakervillageky.org).

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