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SHAKER VILLAGE INTRODUCES NEW SPRING PROGRAMMING

HARRODSBURG, Ky., (February 20, 2020) – Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill is pleased to announce a new lineup of daily programming for the spring season. Beginning March 2 and running through the end of May guests of the Village will be able to enjoy new seasonal programs in addition to year-round [Daily Adventures](#) like Shaker music, historic tours and farm experiences. Admission to Shaker Village allows for admittance to all of the Daily Adventure programs, as well as access to The Historic Centre, The Farm and The Preserve.

The new programs include:

Shaker Engineers: Putting Water to Work – Through the unique designs that made life easier and quality goods sold to the world, the Shakers enjoyed an abundant life. Explore the Pleasant Hill water system to discover the creative ways in which basic needs, like access to water, were met. Offered every day in March at 11:30 a.m., and every Friday and Saturday at 1:30 p.m. (visit website for April-May schedule).

Objects and Stories: A Shaker Machine – What can objects tell us about the past and the people who used them? Every object has a story to tell, and by uncovering these stories, we can piece together the daily lives of the Shakers. Join us to examine the importance of artifacts, and the ways in which we can use them to understand more about life in this communal society. Offered every day in March at 2:30 p.m. (visit website for April-May schedule).

Shaker Troublemakers – At Pleasant Hill, hundreds of men and women joined a religious community and lived in peace and harmony—except, when they didn't! This spring, visit Shaker Village to uncover the disputes that sometimes erupted within the normally tranquil society and explore how the Shakers dealt with the forces of evil within their own borders. Offered every Friday and Saturday in March at 5:30 p.m. as part of the \$5 After 5:00 p.m. program.

Living with Light – As the seasons change, so does access to natural light. This access has affected daily life throughout time, and the Shakers were no exception. Join us as we explore the uses and understand the technology behind Shaker objects such as iron stoves, fireplaces, candles, lanterns and lamps. Offered every Friday and Saturday at 7:00 p.m. in March as part of the \$5 After 5:00 p.m. program.

Later in the season [horse drawn wagon rides](#), Bedtime with the Babies and cruises on the [Dixie Belle Riverboat](#) will be available. Beginning in April, horse drawn wagon rides will offer *Travel Tails* programming where guests can learn about how horses brought the Shakers prosperity and expanded their relationships with surrounding communities. Also, in April, meet the newest farm animals and learn about their bedtime rituals as we gather in the barn to read a story for Bedtime with the Babies. In May, the riverboat will begin daily tours featuring the

Kentucky River Geology on the Dixie Belle program. Riverboat guides will peel back the layers of history amongst the Palisades to explore how the cliffs and caves were formed.

Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill in Harrodsburg, Ky. 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 or call 859.734.5411.

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.

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