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## SHAKER VILLAGE INTRODUCES NEW WINTER PROGRAMMING

**HARRODSBURG, Ky., (January 15, 2020)** – Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill is pleased to announce a new lineup of offerings for the winter season. Beginning this month and running through March guests of the Village will be able to enjoy new seasonal programs both virtually and in-person in addition to hikes, overnight escapes and delicious food from The Trustees' Table restaurant.

The new programs include:

- [Objects and Stories: A Shaker Desk](#) - 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 virtually Saturday, January 23 from 1-2:00 p.m. via Zoom, tickets available online.
- [African American Experiences at Pleasant Hill](#) – Uncover the paths of African Americans who spent a considerable portion of their lives at Pleasant Hill in very different ways. Visit the work places and homes of individuals who helped shape a community working to build heaven on earth. Offered Saturday, February 6 and 20 from 2-3:00 p.m., tickets available online.
- [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. Offered Saturday, March 13 and 27 from 2-3:00 p.m., tickets available online.

Hiking at Shaker Village:

- [Night Hike: Winter Stargazing](#) - On this gentle hike through the Preserve, take in the wonders of the prairie and forest at night while learning about some of the mysteries and curiosities of the universe. This hike will be held on Saturday, February 13 from 6:15-7:45 p.m., tickets available online.
- [Archaeology Hike: Pleasant Hill Mill Sites](#) - On this easy guided hike discover the ruins of several of these important building sites and learn how the physical landscape at Pleasant Hill provided the Shakers with perfect opportunities to develop these crucial pieces of infrastructure. Join us on Saturday, February 20 from 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m., tickets available online.
- [Archaeology Hike: Historic Centre](#) - On this easy guided hike through the center of the Village, learn about some of the archaeological discoveries and explore how archaeology helps us understand more about the over 200 structures that no longer remain at Pleasant Hill. Join us Saturday, March 20 from 1-2:30 p.m., tickets available online.

- [Night Hike: Spring Equinox](#) - Join us on a gentle hike to explore the starry sky. Along the way, we will identify and observe constellations while exploring the cultural and scientific importance of the spring equinox. This hike will take place on Saturday, March 20 from 7:45-9:15 p.m. tickets available online.

#### Overnight Getaways:

- [Valentine's Weekend Package](#) – Spend a romantic weekend with us. Enjoy an overnight stay in a king or queen guest room, champagne and chocolate covered strawberries delivered to your room, breakfast for two and a special 20% off coupon for use in one of our three shops. Available February 12-14, \$189 per night for two, book online.
- [St. Patrick's Day Weekend Package](#) - Celebrate St. Patty's Day at Shaker Village. Your special weekend getaway includes a night in one of our charming king or queen guest rooms, dinner for two from a special three course St. Patrick's Day menu, breakfast for two the next morning followed by a guided morning hike. Available March 19-20, \$259 per night for two, book online.

#### Dining & Carryout Food:

- A new [winter menu](#) is now available at The Trustees' Table restaurant. Guests are invited to dine in or carryout meals for breakfast, lunch and dinner. If dining in a [reservation](#) is strongly encouraged.
- The Shaker Village Bakery is offering a special [menu](#) of made-from-scratch savory and sweet items for pickup. Place your order 48 hours in advance and pickup your biscuits, muffins, cookies, pies and more at the Village.

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](http://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](http://shakervillageky.org).

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#### **IMAGES**

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