



Bundle Up for a Magical Experience at Upper Canada Village

Alight at Night Festival Lights Up This Charming Village Again This Winter

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Morrisburg, Ontario — Good news! Your favourite magical winter event in South Eastern Ontario returns for the 2020 season at Upper Canada Village. Every winter, this historic site transforms into an enchanted winter wonderland lit with over a million lights. This year, Alight at Night is getting ready to captivate guests once again. It officially opens on Friday, November 27th and will operate on select nights until January 2, 2021.

While the holiday season will undoubtedly look different this year, Upper Canada Village is continuing its annual tradition with the assistance of public health to ensure safety is a priority. Alight at Night tickets will be pre-booked and time-specific so that guests can enjoy what feels like a more private experience while maintaining physical distancing protocols.

New this year! Our Victorian Saint Nick will be in his winter workshop preparing for Christmas as he greets guests and hears their holiday wishes from afar; a great photo opportunity for the whole family. To continue the holiday spirit, guests will also get to see Santa in his relaxed mode from December 26th onwards – a sight not to be missed as even his holiday travel plans have been postponed.

As one of Ontario's largest outdoor light festival that is usually full of excitement, cheer, and classic family fun, this year brings changes to Alight at Night as some activities have been paused. These include the life-size toy train rides, visits to the bakery, horse-drawn wagon rides, and old-fashioned carol singing at Christ Church. In their place, several returning and new activities will be featured including the popular Sound and Light Show at Chrysler Hall, enhanced visual storytelling illuminations displayed at the Village Cheese Factory and at Christ Church along with holiday tunes.

Hours of Operation:

- November 27 - January 2 from 5pm-9pm
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- December 17 - January 2 from 5pm-9pm. Open 7 nights a week.
- Closed December 24 and 25

Pricing:

- General Admission: \$14.00 per person plus HST
- Children: Aged 4 and under are free

Tickets go on sale in a staggered approach starting November 23rd and will be available exclusively **online** at www.AlightatNight.ca. Tickets are date and time-specific to ensure nightly attendance is kept at safe levels. A limited number of tickets will be available each night. We ask guests to please visit our social media pages for the next ticket release date.

Accessibility Nights

Accessibility Nights will be back this year and is the only exception to online purchases. Guests or groups with physical limitations can ride in the comfort of their own vehicles to view Alight at Night on December 9th and 16th. Reservations must be made ahead, by calling 1-800-437-2233 or locally at 613-543-4328.

Private Carriage Ride

You won't find a more romantic holiday setting than Alight at Night. Plan a private tour in the comfort of one of the Village's Pommier Carriages. Rides include admission for two, half-hour tour through the Village streets and gourmet departing gift. Cost is \$95.00 (plus HST and fees) per couple. Limited availability and reservations must be made by calling 1-800-437-2233 or locally at 613-543-4328.

Holiday Shopping

If you're still looking for that perfect holiday gift, head on over to the Village Store as it's filled with beautiful present-worthy items.

Festive Treat

End your evening stroll at Alight at Night with a festive sweet treat from BeaverTails. Irresistibly delicious, artisanal Canadian pastry, always there to share special moments that make lifelong memories.

"Our team is overjoyed that a visit to Alight at Night can continue this year as part of so many families holiday traditions," said Upper Canada Village Manager Tracey Ogilby. "As over a million lights will transform the landscape of the Village, we look forward to welcoming back guests and local residents again this winter season."

What Guests Need to Know:

- Tickets will be available **online only** at www.AlightatNight.ca.
- If the website indicates SOLD OUT for a specific evening, there are no more tickets available for that evening.
- Multiple entry time slots are being offered in half-hour increments.
- Plan to arrive no earlier than 15 minutes prior to your check-in time.
- Upon arrival, guests should have tickets ready prior to reaching the admission gate to ensure smooth entry.
- Face coverings or masks are mandatory upon arrival at admissions and in indoor spaces and guests are will be required to bring their own.
- All guests must follow physical distancing rules, remaining at least two (2) metres apart from other visitors at all times. Staff will monitor and remind guests as necessary.
- Please visit the [website](#) and social media [@UpperCanadaVill](#) for updates.
- Programming has been modified as much as possible to provide a no-touch, non-contact experience. Where this is unavoidable, hand washing, or sanitizing stations are available.
- Enhanced cleaning and disinfection practices are in place throughout the tour route.
- Guests will be required to self-assess their health and should not visit Alight at Night if they feel unwell.
- Upper Canada Village is located at 13740 County Road 2, Morrisburg, Ontario

About St. Lawrence Parks Commission

The St. Lawrence Parks Commission, an agency of the Government of Ontario, operates facilities stretching from Kingston to the Quebec border, including Upper Canada Village, Fort Henry National Historic Site of Canada (and a UNESCO World Heritage Site); Kingston Pen Tours, Skywood Eco Adventure, Chrysler Park Marina, Upper Canada Golf Course, Upper Canada Migratory Bird Sanctuary and 14 campgrounds and beach day-use picnic areas including the Long Sault and 1000 Islands Parkway.

To learn more, visit www.parks.on.ca.

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