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Winter Solstice Fun at Cincinnati Nature Center!

Venture to a side of winter you thought you would never see! On Sunday, December 20, 2009, join the CNC community and rejoice at their annual Winter Solstice Celebration. From 1-5 pm, participants can appreciate the simplest pleasures of the holiday season. All five of your senses will come alive with the sounds, smells, sights, and tastes of the Winter Solstice Celebration at Rowe Woods.

Guests will be invited to take a horse-drawn wagon ride through Rowe Woods. This is a timeless chance to see nature in action during the peaceful winter season. Participants will also get a chance to participate in a self guided winter scavenger hunt.

Visitors can add a personal touch to their holiday experience by participating in our candle- making activity or planting Paperwhite bulbs. Our simple candle making craft can be taken home to enjoy for the holiday season with your family. Visitors can also create their own personal arrangement of Paperwhite bulbs and watch them bloom in the winter.

The many musical activities include:

- Traditional sounds of the winter solstice with Celtic music by *Dark Moll*.
- *West Clermont By Request* will be singing holiday classics for the CNC community.
- Participants are invited to join a drumming circle to feel the energy and excitement of the winter solstice.

"The winter solstice is a classical way to honor the holiday season nature has presented for us. This year we invite the whole community to indulge all of their senses into the Winter Solstice Celebration," says Kristi Masterson, Community Relations Manager at CNC.

The winter solstice, also known as the Solar New Year, marks the first astronomical day of winter. It is the day the sun is furthest from the earth, making it the longest night of the year.

Registration is not required. Cincinnati Nature center member adults are \$5, children are \$1. Nonmember adults are \$10, children are \$2. Some activities may require additional fees. Cash only accepted.

For more information on our Winter Solstice Celebration, please visit www.CincyNature.org or call 513/831-1711. Cincinnati Nature Center's Rowe Woods is located at 4949 Tealtown Rd., Milford, OH 45150.

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