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Take Your Valentine to the Vanderbilt Mansion for a Romantic Evening and Dinner

Vanderbilt Museum Plans Annual Valentine Event at its Historic Estate

Saturday, February 11

CENTERPORT, NY (January 10, 2012) – Imagine having a Valentine's Day dinner where Hollywood stars and European royalty dined with members of one of America's richest and most famous families. You can do that at a spectacular, historic American estate that is also one of the most glamorous and romantic settings on Long Island: the elegant, early twentieth-century mansion of William K. Vanderbilt II, overlooking Northport Harbor.

On Saturday, February 11, the Suffolk County Vanderbilt Museum will hold its annual Valentine's Day dinner in the mansion, with seatings at 6:00 and 8:00 p.m.

Lance Reinheimer, the museum's interim executive director, said, "Many romantics have used the storybook atmosphere of the Vanderbilt Mansion as a backdrop for first dates. Several people tell us they proposed marriage here. And couples have come from all over to hold wedding ceremonies at the Vanderbilt. This is a perfect place for a romantic dinner."

As a guest, your evening will begin with hors d'oeuvres and wine in the Memorial Wing of the mansion, amid Mr. Vanderbilt's exotic collections of ethnographic artifacts from Africa, Asia and South America. After a brief tour through his private living quarters, you will be seated for a leisurely dinner in the Northport Dining Room Porch.

Entrée choices are Filet of Norwegian Salmon En Croute, Roast Shell of Beef Au Jus, South Street Chicken and



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Valentine's Day at the Vanderbilt

Portobello Mushroom Ravioli. Dessert follows in the Lancaster Room, with a side trip to the Vanderbilt Library and the Moroccan Court.

The evening is a special opportunity to enjoy an intimate dining experience with a spouse, partner or special friend and to celebrate in Gold Coast style. Seating at this exclusive event is very limited and sells out quickly, so early reservations are strongly recommended.

Tickets are \$100 per person, by reservation only. Please call the Vanderbilt at 631-854-5579 to make reservations.