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**THE CATHEDRAL OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE ANNOUNCES SECOND SEASON OF  
*KNIGHTWATCH MEDIEVAL* CHILDREN'S SLUMBER PARTY SERIES**

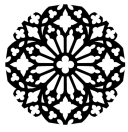
**New York (September 2013)** – The Cathedral of St. John the Divine is pleased to announce the second season of *Knightwatch Medieval*, a series of imaginative overnight experiences designed for families and groups with children ages 6 to 12, beginning on **Friday, September 20**. *Knightwatch Medieval* offers a unique blend of education, fun and fantasy under the roof of the world's largest Gothic cathedral.

The sleepover experience transports guests back in time to the age of medieval storybook kings, princesses and knights. Within the walls of the candle-lit Cathedral participants engage in an interactive play and scavenger hunt led by a lovable court jester. Children search for clues to assist a princess under a spell by a magician, help a pair of star-crossed lovers find happiness, and support an over-achieving knight in his attempt to get out of an unwanted betrothal. After the play and scavenger hunt, guests celebrate with medieval dancing and singing. Keeping with the medieval theme, participants learn period dancing and do theme-based art projects including creating clay gargoyles and making brass rubbings. At the close of the evening, a resident storyteller lulls participants to sleep under the protective arches of the Nave.

All *Knightwatch Medieval* activities are led by Cathedral staff dedicated to keeping the activities fun, educational, and safe.

“You completely forget the outside world and you feel natural in your medieval clothes. You feel wrapped up in that time period. Great actors and fun activities, it's all there. Once you come out of the Cathedral the next morning you feel woken up from a trance.” – Eline, age 10

In addition to the September 20 sleepover, *Knightwatch Medieval* will be offered on October 11, May 30 and June 6. All events begin at 6:30 p.m. and end the following morning at 8:00



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a.m. Admission is \$135 per participant. One chaperone must be on-site for every three children. Discounts are available for groups of 15 or more.

**About The Cathedral**

The Cathedral of St. John the Divine is the Cathedral of the Episcopal Diocese of New York. It is chartered as a house of prayer for all people and a unifying center of intellectual light and leadership. People from many faiths and communities worship together in services held more than 30 times a week; the soup kitchen serves roughly 25,000 meals annually; social service outreach has an increasingly varied roster of programs; the distinguished Cathedral School prepares young students to be future leaders; Adults and Children in Trust, the renowned preschool, afterschool and summer program, offers diverse educational and nurturing experiences; the outstanding Textile Conservation Lab preserves world treasures; concerts, exhibitions, performances and civic gatherings allow conversation, celebration, reflection and remembrance—such is the joyfully busy life of this beloved and venerated Cathedral.

The Cathedral is open 7 days a week from 7:30 AM – 6:00 PM. There is a suggested admission of \$10.00 per person. Please visit [stjohndivine.org](http://stjohndivine.org) for more information and a schedule of public programs.

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