Hallowe’en in Greenfield Village®

Close your eyes and hold your breath, and pass right through the gates. A village filled with spooky thrills, ahead of you awaits...

1. The Grim Reaper
   - Be wary of the burning flames that darkly yole the reaper grim. Run fast before it’s you he names, or then you must depart with him!

2. Woman in White
   - High upon her balcony, in search of her lost mate, stands a woman all in white, tormented by her fate.

3. Top Hat Side Show
   - Swallowing swords and spitting fire are this troupe’s one true desire. Strange and ancient arts they practice; such spectacle you dare not miss!

4. The Pirate Revue
   - Chantey’s sung along the pier! Children hope for a doubloon; while talking to the pirates here, children hope for a doubloon!

5. Dancing Skeletons
   - When you behold the pumpkin tree, a selection of 1930s Oz is served with a smile and a haaah!!

6. Troll Bridge
   - The covered bridge engulfed in fog, and through it you must pass. “Be alert, fear not the bog,” we warn each lad and lass.

7. Fortune Teller
   - Crystal balls and psychic musings! Clairvoyant, witty barbs she flings. Strange and ancient arts they practice; such spectacle you dare not miss!

8. Haunted Forest
   - Munchkins and monkeys, dickory dock; Munchkins and monkeys, dickory dock, journey through trees all gnarled and dark. Muster your courage, tick tock, tick tock, talking trees have faces in their bark!

9. O2
   - Follow the road of yellow brick. Beware the wicdestest broomstick! City of emeralds, poppies so red; enter our O2 and be enchanted!

10. Pumpkin Tree
    - When you behold the pumpkin tree, prepare to laugh with mirth and glee. Entwined in twigs grown long ago, flicking faces beckon and glow.

11. The Headless Horseman
    - Your evening ends where legend starts as you stroll through Sleepy Hollow. Be careful now and watch your back for the horseman tends to follow! (Plus 9:15 & 10:00 Friday & Saturday)

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13. The Legend of Sleepy Hollow
    - A Selection of 1930s Oz is served with a smile and a haaah!!

14. The Transylvania Trio
    - The Transylvania Trio 6:30, 7:00, 7:30 & 8:00 (Plus 9:30 & 10:15 Friday & Saturday)

15. Hallowe’en Cartoon Shorts
    - Little Red Riding Hood 7:30, 8:00, 8:30 & 9:00 (Plus 9:30 & 10:15 Friday & Saturday)
    - Hansel & Gretel 7:00, 7:30, 8:00 & 8:30 (Plus 9:00 & 9:45 Friday & Saturday)
    - Bump in the Night 7:15, 7:45, 8:15 & 8:45
    - The Tell-Tale Heart 7:30, 8:00, 8:30 & 9:00 (Plus 9:30 & 10:15 Friday & Saturday)
    - Hallowe’en Experience 7:45, 8:15 & 8:45 & 9:15 (Plus 9:45 & 10:30 Friday & Saturday)

For each activity and experience, match the number, color and icon next to the activity with the corresponding number, color and icon on the map.

All programs and prices are subject to change.
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The torches are lit, bells are tolling, skeletons are dancing and pumpkins are singing, all to make this the most stirring night of the year.

HALLOWE’EN HISTORY

The Hallowe’en celebration has ancient Celtic origins. A colorful union of customs evolved from a pagan festival that celebrated the end of the summer and the harvest season — a time when the boundaries between the living and the souls of the departed were believed to be thinned. The old rituals eventually became associated with the Christian feast of All Saints’ or Hallowe’en Day. The night before this feast — All Hallows’ Eve — was abbreviated as Hallowe’en, a spelling that remained in place well into the 1930s.

Hallowe’en has not always been a night of ghoulish and garish trimmings, candy and trick-or-treating. Celebrations in the early 1900s were occasions for young adults to gather and peer into the future for love and marriage, fate and fortune. The holiday was an opportunity to host a “frolic” with a romantic theme. But the autumnal fruit, cornstalks, witches, ghosts and goblins, the wearing of costumes and even the carved pumpkin jack-o’-lanterns we still decorate with today all have symbolism rooted in the age-old Celtic traditions.

For additional reading on this fascinating subject, we suggest Halloween: Romantic Art and Customs of Yesteryear by Diane C. Arkins.

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