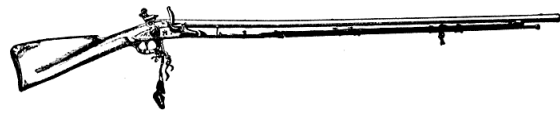


2011 Programs and Events

A Revolutionary Weekend At Wilton



Camp Wilton On The James

*Saturday, May 14th; 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; and
Sunday, May 15th; 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.*

For 10 days in May of 1781, General Marquis de Lafayette and over 900 troops made camp in the tobacco fields surrounding Wilton before the Siege of Yorktown. This weekend-long living history encampment will have several demonstrations of the military drill of the Continental soldier. Enter Lafayette's Continental camp and find out how soldiers --and campfollowers-- slept, ate, and lived while on the march.

Entrance to encampment is free. Admission fee for the historic house and exhibit still apply.

Jim Thompson Presents:

The Old Dominion: Virginia Between 1700 and 1776

Saturday, May 14th; 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Join author and historian Jim Thompson at Wilton for a look at Virginia's "aristocracy" leading up to the Revolution. A terrific collection of paintings, portraits, and old photographs have survived to illustrate the era of Virginia's "Old Dominion." Additionally, many fine structures, such as Wilton, serve as prime examples of the political and economic power held by these influential families. Stop by the re-created military encampment at Wilton before joining in on the free lecture.

White Nights: Chamber Music from Scandinavia, Russia and the Baltics

Saturday, May 14th; 7:30 p.m.

Since before the days of King George III popular chamber music from Europe has crossed the Atlantic Ocean and found its way to the audiences of North America. Join fellow Chamber Music enthusiasts at Wilton for a performance of White Nights by the Chamber Music Society of Central Virginia. Celebrate the soulful and joyous music from the lands of the "Midnight Sun"-Russia, Scandinavia and the Baltic States.

Contact the Chamber Music Society of Central Virginia at (804) 519-2098 for more information or to order tickets.

St. Gertrude High School House Tours

Sunday, March 27th; 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

These student-led tours feature homes located in the prestigious Windsor Farms neighborhood. This event is sponsored by the PTSO and all proceeds benefit the students directly.

For more information or to purchase tickets contact St. Gertrude High School at (804)358-9114.

Get Found: Have You Ever Been Lost? Opening Reception

Friday, April 15th; 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Fee: \$10.00 each, Students: Free (with student ID)

What better way to begin the 78th Annual Historic Garden Week than with a preview of *Get Found: Have You Ever Been Lost?*, an exhibit curated by students of Virginia Commonwealth University's Museum Studies program. This evening preview will take guests through the historic house to view the newly installed exhibit and follow with a light reception.

Advanced registration is required. For more information or to reserve tickets today contact us at (804)282-5936 ext. 4.

Jammin' on the James: Free Concert Series

Saturdays: June 4th and 18th;

July 9th and 23rd;

and August 20th

6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.



Our widely popular concert series is growing! Join us this spring and summer for 5 concerts at Wilton. Bring a picnic dinner and your favorite lawn chair for family-friendly music on our grass terrace overlooking the James River. Enjoy walk-through tours of Wilton. Kids will be entertained by face-painting, games, and crafts while parents revel in the sounds of the live melodies.

Free admission. Donations encouraged. Seating is on a first-come basis. Call (804)282-5936 ext. 4 for more information.

Sarah Meacham Presents:

"Sex and Spirits: Making the Alcoholic Republic in the Early Chesapeake"

Saturday, September 24th; 1:00 p.m.

This free lecture, by VCU History professor Dr. Sarah Meacham, will explore how ideas of science, technology, and the American Revolution combined in the Chesapeake to shift the production of alcoholic beverages from women's cookery into men's domain in the late eighteenth century.

Free lecture. For more information contact us at (804)282-5936 ext. 4 or wiltonprograms@comcast.net.

Holiday Open House:

Sunday, November 27th; 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Come celebrate the holidays in Colonial Virginia! Take part in the many activities at Wilton. Try your hand at family-friendly games or enjoy a delicious snack and a relaxing cup of warm cider. Enjoy performances by the Barefoot Puppet Theatre and tour the host of vendors for some early holiday shopping. It's the one time of year when Wilton opens its doors to the public at no cost, so don't miss out!

Free admission & parking. Donations welcomed. For more information contact us at (804)282-5936 ext. 4.

Classics By Candlelight

Wednesday, December 6th; 7:30 p.m.

Fee: \$50.00

Colonial and federal America was rich in music of all kinds, and music was composed and played on a variety of instruments. In this special concert in the historic house, acclaimed international musicians from the Chamber Music Society of Central Virginia present a program of beautiful music written and enjoyed by 18th and 19th century Americans.

Contact the Chamber Music Society of Central Virginia at (804)519-2098 for more information or to order tickets.

Twelfth Night Ball

Saturday, January 6th, 2012; 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Fee: \$35.00 per person

Celebrate the Twelfth Night as the Randolphs of the 18th century would, with an evening of dance. Enjoy live music, snacks, refreshments, and popular period dances stepped in Wilton lower passage, a room designed for dancing. Put on your finest period attire and don't forget your dancing shoes.

Space is limited. Advanced reservations required. Contact Wilton at (804)282-5936 ext. 4 or wiltonprograms@comcast.net to reserve your space or for more information.



Children's Programs

Miniature by Design

Saturday, January 29th

1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

\$15 per child, \$10 per adult.



Join William Stollo, Director of Education at Wilton House Museum, and Margaret Hancock, design educator, for an afternoon of miniature design! Take a guided tour of the exhibition *It's a Small World After All: The Big World of Miniature Houses and Decorative Arts*, then design your own miniature room or furniture piece to take home with you. Open to children of all ages.

Space is limited and advanced reservations are required.

Historic Houses and Homeschoolers

March 9th and June 9th; 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Tour two of Richmond's most beautiful historic homes- Agecroft Hall and Wilton House Museum- at a discounted price! This program is specifically designed for the homeschooled and features hands-on, exciting activities to reinforce learning about England and Colonial and Federal Virginia.

Advance reservations are required. Call (804)353-4241 for more information or to make a reservation.

Colonial Kids' Camp

August 8th through 12th; 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Fee: \$200.00; Grades rising 4 and rising 5

What was it like to be a kid in 18th century colonial Virginia? Come spend 5 days with us to find out! Tour Wilton House Museum to see how you would have dressed, played, and lived in colonial Virginia. Learn to decorate a floor cloth, make a wig, play games, and have fun like an 18th century Virginians!

Advanced reservations are required.

Please call (804)282-5936 ext. 4 or visit our website www.wiltonhousemuseum.org for more information.

Family Halloween Haunt

Friday, October 21st; 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Bring your little ghouls and goblins to a family-friendly All Hallows' Eve at Wilton. Enjoy storytelling, a pumpkin hunt and decorating, and costume awards. Guided tours of the exhibit *The Battle, Sir, Is Not To The Strong Alone: Richmond and the American Revolution* will be available. Come and enjoy all the spooky fun!

Free admission. Advanced reservations required.

Contact (804)282-5936 ext. 4 for more information or reservation.

Exhibits

WINTER:

**“IT’S A SMALL WORLD AFTER ALL:
THE BIG WORLD OF MINIATURE HOUSES AND
DECORATIVE ARTS”**

December 4, 2010 ~ February 20, 2011

Back by popular demand!! Tour a festively decorated Wilton House and view a visual history of dollhouses, furniture and toys of all shapes and sizes; room boxes; and cabinet houses filled with miniature works of art and furniture. The exhibit includes items from the Virginia Historical Society and private collections around the Commonwealth.

Admission Fee

SPRING:

“GET FOUND: HAVE YOU EVER BEEN LOST?”

April 16, 2011 through August 21, 2011

If you stared at a map, what would it tell you about its people? Maps not only convey the location of people and places, but the ways in which these people behave. Since the 18th century- and with the growth of technology- maps and their making have evolved in new and dramatic ways. Visit Wilton to tour this special exhibit, curated by students of Virginia Commonwealth University’s Museum Studies program, to “hear” and see what maps and the modern world will say to you.

Admission Fee

SUMMER:

**“THE BATTLE, SIR, IS NOT TO THE STRONG ALONE:
RICHMOND AND THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION”**

April 30, 2011 through October 23, 2011

From Patrick Henry’s cries for liberty to the burning of Richmond by the British to the surrender of Lord Cornwallis at Yorktown, Richmond and Wilton have shared in America’s fight for freedom. Visit Wilton for your chance to see how those people pledged their lives, fortunes, and sacred honors. Learn about the people, places, and events that shaped the fledgling capital.

Admission Fee

Museum Hours of Operation

Guided tours available:

Tuesday through Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 1:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Last tour of the day begins at 3:45 p.m.

Closed Mondays and National Holidays

Admission fee

General.....	\$10.00
Senior/AAA.....	\$8.00
Student.....	\$6.00
Teachers, Press, Dames, and Children under 6 years-old.....	Free

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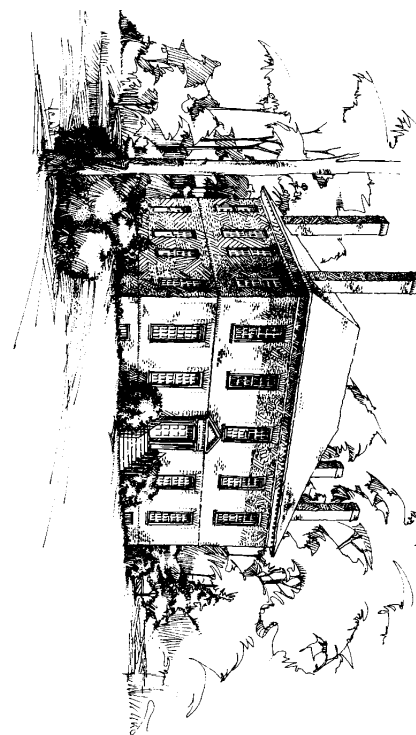
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A Brief History of Wilton

Wilton is an authentic lower James River plantation house that was built between 1750 and 1753 by William Randolph III. Wilton was the centerpiece of a more than 2,000 acre tobacco plantation and home to the Randolph family for more than a century. It was here that the Randolphs entertained George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, and the Marquis de Lafayette. This impressive example of Georgian architecture was saved from destruction by the Virginia Society of The National Society of The Colonial Dames of America in 1933 and was carefully moved and reconstructed on its current site.

Today, this historic house museum is on the National Register of Historic Places, is a Virginia Historic Landmark, and is fully accredited by the American Association of Museums. We offer a variety of community programming, such as SOL- based school tours and outreach programs; programs for home schooled children; adult seminars and tours; and a wide variety of summer programming for children. We have the ability to host luncheons on site and can offer a wide variety of special programming, lectures, and tours that are tailored to your group’s needs.

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