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## Calendar of Events

### June 4–September 5

#### Family Friendly Tours

Explore Mr. Jefferson's house on this fun, interactive tour designed just for families. Offered daily on the hour from 10 AM–3 PM (excluding July 4). Regular admission rates apply; reserved tickets are available online at [www.monticello.org](http://www.monticello.org).

### June 4–September 5

#### Mountaintop Hands-on Activity Center

Children can write with a quill pen, play 18th-century games and piece together a parquet floor at this family-oriented workshop located beneath the North Terrace of Monticello. 10 AM–6 PM daily (excluding July 4). Included in admission.

### June 4–5

#### Mulberry Row: Monticello's Main Street African American Gardens and Foodways at Monticello

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### June 6–July 15, Monday–Friday

#### Saturday Archaeology Workshop Archaeology Walks

#### Site 6 Excavations: Learning From Ground Down

Explore our latest archaeological field research in progress. This half-mile walk in the woods to excavations at Site 6 takes you to the area once home to enslaved field laborers in the early 19th century. Learn the basics of archaeological research design, soils, stratigraphy and excavation strategies, and hear about our latest discoveries and how they fit into our larger understanding of changing ways of life at Monticello. This is a one-mile walk in the woods; water bottles, sturdy shoes and long trousers are highly recommended. Groups will assemble at the Bronze Plantation Model at the Visitor Center at 11 AM. Walks will last approximately an hour and a half.

### June 18

#### Saturday Archaeology Workshop Archaeology and the Slave Societies of the British Atlantic: Monticello in Comparative Perspective

This workshop explores the historical processes that shaped the lives of Jefferson and his slaves by comparing archaeological evidence across early-modern slave societies. We focus on recent research led by Monticello archaeologists on the sugar-producing colonies of Jamaica and Nevis. Workshops assemble at 9:30 on Saturday at the Bronze Plantation Model at the Visitor Center. Expected duration is two and a half hours.

### July 4

#### Independence Day Celebration and Naturalization Ceremony

The 49th annual naturalization ceremony on Monticello's West Lawn—one of America's most moving July 4 events—will include remarks by a featured speaker and patriotic music by the Charlottesville Municipal Band. Free (admission required for house tours.) Visit [www.monticello.org/july4](http://www.monticello.org/july4) for event details.

### July 14, 21, 28

#### Wintergreen Summer Music Festival

##### Wintergreen at Monticello

For three consecutive Thursday evenings in July, the Wintergreen Summer Music Festival will present performances in the Thomas Jefferson Visitor Center Theatre. The theme of the 2011 Festival is "Realms of Gold: A Mediterranean Odyssey," and the programming for this series will have a Mediterranean tone!

### July 14

#### Quartetto di Sassofoni Accademia

##### Concert, Wintergreen at Monticello

This performance, part of the Wintergreen Summer Music Festival, will feature one of Italy's outstanding chamber music ensembles, playing a mix of classical and jazz works for saxophone quartet. Co-sponsored by Wintergreen Performing Arts. 7:30 PM, Thomas Jefferson Visitor Center Courtyard. Adults \$25, children 10–17 \$10, children under 10 free; reserved tickets can be purchased online at [www.wintergreenperformingarts.org](http://www.wintergreenperformingarts.org). Cash bar. Boxed dinners priced at \$17 will be available at 6 PM if reserved in advance at (434) 325-8292.

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**July 15**

## **Winston-Salem Youth Chorus**

Based in North Carolina, the Winston-Salem Youth Chorus will perform as guest artists at the Wintergreen Summer Music Festival. Co-sponsored by Wintergreen Performing Arts. *Free · 3 PM, Courtyard, Thomas Jefferson Visitor Center.*

**July 16**

## **Saturday Archaeology Workshop Learning How to Learn From the Archaeological Record**

This summer, Monticello archaeologists and students from the Monticello-University of Virginia Archaeological Field School have been investigating a site that was home to enslaved field workers in the early 19th century (Site 6). This workshop explores our latest findings. Participants will work with archaeologists in hands-on examination and interpretation of newly excavated artifacts and the computer-based analysis of temporal and spatial patterns that are key to unlocking their historical meaning. *Recommended prerequisite: An Archaeology Walk to Site 6.*

**July 21**

## **Wintergreen Chamber Players**

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**July 23-24**

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**August 2**

## **Wintergreen Summer Music Academy**

Each year, 40 extremely talented young musicians are selected to attend the Wintergreen Summer Music Academy. They come from all over the United States in order to study with the musicians of the Wintergreen Summer Music Festival. As part of their visit to Monticello, multiple ensembles will perform chamber music in a variety of locations between 2:30 and 4:30 PM. *Free; Thomas Jefferson Visitor Center.*

**September 10, 11**

## **Mulberry Row: Monticello's Main Street African American Storytelling and Music at Monticello**

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**September 13-October 18**

## **New Lecture Series: "Jefferson's Neighborhood Too"**

Beginning with a view from Montalto, this series will build on previous lectures to include the Jefferson family at Shadwell, the first home at Monticello, the "ornamental precinct" around Monticello and Jefferson's interest in grape cultivation. The series will conclude with a private tour at Monticello and an informal reception on the mountain. *Fee charged; advance registration required. For more information, email [msscottfleming@monticello.org](mailto:msscottfleming@monticello.org).*

**September 16**

## **Heritage Harvest Festival Preview Day**

Make a weekend out of the Heritage Harvest Festival. On Friday, enjoy paid workshops and presentations at Monticello. Join featured speaker P. Allen Smith for a special conversation on bringing food to the table. Sponsored by the Thomas Jefferson Foundation and Southern Exposure Seed Exchange. *Mother Earth News* returns as the Platinum Media Sponsor. *Paid workshops begin at 9 AM at the Thomas Jefferson Visitor Center. Grand preview with featured speaker, P. Allen Smith, and dinner Friday evening; 6:30 PM.*

**September 17**

## **Heritage Harvest Festival at Monticello**

Celebrate the legacy of revolutionary gardener, Thomas Jefferson, during the fifth annual Heritage Harvest Festival at Monticello. Taste a bounty of heirloom fruits and vegetables and learn about organic gardening and seed saving during this fun, affordable, family-friendly festival unlike any other—held on the breathtaking West Lawn of Jefferson's Monticello. Sponsored by the Thomas Jefferson Foundation and Southern Exposure Seed Exchange. *Mother Earth News* returns as the Platinum Media Sponsor. *9 AM-4 PM. General admission \$8 in advance, \$10 at gate, children under 12 free. Premium lectures \$10 each. Combination ticket packages also available. For detailed information and tickets, visit [www.heritageharvestfestival.com](http://www.heritageharvestfestival.com).*

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## Saturdays in the Garden

These sessions in Monticello's annual series of gardening talks, horticultural workshops and natural history walks begin at 9:30 AM. The fee is \$15. Reservations can be made by calling (434) 984-9880, and reserved tickets can be purchased online at [www.monticello.org](http://www.monticello.org).

### June 4

#### **Rose Culture and Propagation Workshop**

Dennis Whetzel · 9:30 AM, Tufton Farm

### June 11

#### **An Expedition at Secluded Farm**

Devin Floyd · 9:30 AM, Trailhead of the Monticello Trail (Kemper Park)

### June 18

#### **History of the Saunders-Monticello Trail Hike**

Peter Hatch · 9:30 AM, Garden Center, Thomas Jefferson Visitor Center

### June 25

#### **Ancient Herbs Workshop**

Dennis Whetzel · 9:30 AM, Tufton Farm

### July 9

#### **The Natural History of Trees Walk**

Peter Hatch · 9:30 AM, Garden Center, Thomas Jefferson Visitor Center

### July 16

#### **Natural Dyes Workshop**

Pat Brodowski · 9:30 AM, Tufton Farm

### July 30

#### **Winemaking Workshop**

Gabriele Rausse · 9:30 AM, Jordan Classroom, Thomas Jefferson Visitor Center

### August 6

#### **Tomato Tasting**

Maggie Stemann Thompson and Pat Brodowski · 9:30 AM, Garden Center, Thomas Jefferson Visitor Center

### August 13

#### **Summer Fruit Tasting**

Tom Burford, Peter Hatch, Gabriele Rausse and fruit gardener Kerry Gilmer · 9:30 AM, Garden Center, Thomas Jefferson Visitor Center

### August 20

#### **Tufton Fern Walk**

Peggy Cornett and Peter Hatch · 9:30 AM, Tufton Farm

### August 27

#### **Tour of the Visitor Center Landscape**

Amy Jeffries, Peggy Cornett and Peter Hatch · 9:30 AM, Garden Center, Thomas Jefferson Visitor Center

### September 24

#### **Seed Saving Workshop**

Debbie Donley and Pat Brodowski · 9:30 AM, Garden Center, Thomas Jefferson Visitor Center

### October 1

#### **Thomas Jefferson and Natural History Walk**

Peggy Cornett · 9:30 AM, Garden Center, Thomas Jefferson Visitor Center

### October 8

#### **Montalto Trek**

Jason Stevens · 9:30 AM, Trailhead of the Saunders-Monticello Trail (Kemper Park)

### October 15

#### **Apple Tasting**

Tom Burford · 9:30 AM, Tufton Farm