Hands-On Craft Workshops – Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. (90 minutes)
Each week learn a new skill and make a memento inspired by our collections. Additional $15 ticket required.

Lectures

Say Cheese, Mr. President – Thursday, September 1 and Wednesday, September 14 at 4:30 p.m.
Join historian Carson Hudson to explore early Presidential photography. (1 hour)

From Lexington to Yorktown: Battles of the Revolutionary War – Friday, September 2 at 4 p.m.
Author Tony Williams shares the military history of several major battles and their strategic importance. (1 hour)

Secret Keepers: Literacy, Slavery and the Law – Wednesdays at 11:15 a.m.
Princes without a Palace: African Captives in Williamsburg – Thurs. Sept. 8, 15, 22 & 29 at 11:15 a.m.

Special Election Year Series

It Starts Here: America’s Enduring Debates – Thursdays, Sept 8, 22 and 29 at 4 p.m.
Join us for lively debates of 18th-century issues that resonate today, with interpreters and of course you, the citizens. (1 hour) 9/8 Religious Freedom, 9/22 Freedom of Expression, 9/29 American Leadership in the World

People from the Past (all shows are 1 hour)

Fighting for the Rights of Mankind – Saturdays, September 3 and 24 at 1:15 p.m.
The Marquis de Lafayette shares his experiences during the French Revolution.

The Art of Politics and Dining – Sundays at 1:15 p.m.
Join young Martha Washington as she explores how her role of hostess is a particularly political role.

A Change is Coming – Mondays at 1:15 p.m.
Gowan Pamphlet, a freed slave & popular preacher, wonders if war will bring freedom from the Church of England.

Our Founding Documents: A Founding Father’s Perspective – Wed. Sept. 7, 21 and 28 at 1:15 p.m.
George Wythe explains the Enlightenment philosophy that is the basis for the United States Government.

My Natural Rights – Fridays, September 9 and 23 at 1:15 p.m.
Meet a free matriarch as she asserts her rightful place in a new nation based on freedom, liberty, and equality.

Looking Forward, Looking Back – Tuesday, September 20 at 1:15 p.m.
Listen in as young and older Thomas Jefferson discuss how the education of young Jefferson prepare the man to be President and what he still need to learn to be successful?

A Difference of Opinion – Thursdays, September 22 at 1:15 p.m.
With America more divided than ever, two Founders conspire and collaborate to form America's first opposition party.
Music

**America’s Music – 4:30 p.m. (1 hour)**
Saturday, Sept. 3 – Hard Times: Songs of the Working Life – Henleys Fork Labor Day Concert
Tuesday, Sept. 6 – Virginia Wildlife in Music – Timothy Seaman on dulcimers, drums, whistles and rattles
Tuesday, Sept. 13 – Outside the Box: 150 Years of Cigar Box Instruments – musician & historian Carson Hudson

**4 pm** – Tuesday, Sept. 20 – Fiddle Music from Jamestown to Yorktown – David Gardner shares 174 years of music
Tuesday, Sept. 27 – The Irish Session: A Living Musical Tradition – Kelly Kennedy and friends

Friday, Sept. 30 – Music to Get out the Vote - Kelly Kennedy, Carson Hudson & John Turner share campaign songs

**Music in the Museum – Thursdays from 2:30-4 p.m.** Enjoy period music as you tour the galleries.

Dramatic Programs

**What is a Family – Wednesday, September 7 at 4:30 p.m. (1 hour)**
Meet Ann Ashby who escapes the bonds of slavery through the efforts of her free black husband.

**A Town without Time – Wednesday, September 21 at 4:30 p.m. (1 hour)**
Join W.A.R. Goodwin for a virtual tour of early 20th-century Williamsburg during the early days of the restoration.

**To Be Seen as an American – Wednesday, September 28 at 4:30 p.m. (1 hour)**
Meet three black women from three centuries who didn't accept society's limits on what they could accomplish.

Special Focus Tours

**Meet the Curator or Conservator – 4 p.m.** Join our specialists to learn more. (30 minutes)
- Fri. Sept. 2 – Erik Goldstein, curator of mechanical arts, explores military and civilian weapons before 1800
- Mon. Sept. 12 – Tina Gessler, conservator of objects, shares concerns involved in exhibiting antiques
- Fri. Sept. 16 – Elisabeth Mallin, Marshall Steel Fellow in upholstery conservation, discusses replacement upholstery
- Mon. Sept. 19 – Suzanne Hood, curator of ceramics & glass, explores 18th-century table and tea wares
- Mon. Sept. 26 – Trish Balderson, manager of museum education, explores maps of events that lead us to a new nation
- Fri. Sept. 30 – Dani Jaworski, assoc. curator of architectural collections, explores 18th-century Williamsburg buildings

**Decorative Arts Highlights – Daily at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.**

**Introduction to Folk Art – Daily at noon and 2 p.m.**

**In Memoriam – Mondays at 10:30 a.m. (45 minutes)** Discover mourning customs and mourning jewelry.

**Behind Closed Drawers – Mondays and Saturdays from 2:45-4 p.m.** Drop by to see more textiles.

**Mapping the Declaration of Independence – Tues. 9/6, 13, 20 & 27 Thurs. 9/15 & 22 at 2:45 p.m. (1 hour)**

**A Stitch in Time – Tue. Sept. 12 & 19 at 1:30 p.m. (45 min)** Explore 18th-century samplers & design your own.

**Focus on Furniture – Tuesdays and Thursdays at 2:15 and 3:30 p.m. (45 minutes)**

**Mapping Revolution to Republic – Wednesdays at 3 p.m. (45 minutes)** Discover how Revolutionary War maps can teach us about the establishment of the new Republic.

**Wild, Weird, Spooky – Thurs. Sept. 8, 15, 22 & 29 at 10:30 a.m. (45 minutes)** Discover strange objects on view.

**A Century of African American Quilts – Fridays at 10:30 a.m. (45 minutes)**

**Ceramics Up-Close – Fridays and Sundays at 1:30 p.m.** Tour ceramics on display then visit our storage vault.