

## NOVEMBER 2017 - PROGRAMMING AT THE ART MUSEUMS OF COLONIAL WILLIAMSBURG

Call 1-800-447-8679 for reservations or tickets. Programs are included in museum admission, unless indicated otherwise.

Museums & Museum Store open 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Museum Café open 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Daily

Thursday, November 23/Thanksgiving Day – Museum & Museum Store open 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Café open 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

### 60<sup>TH</sup> Annual Folk Art Museum Christmas Tree – Friday, November 10

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. - Watch as we decorate our enormous Christmas tree and learn about the hand-crafted ornaments.

10:15 to 11:30 a.m. - Create your own folk art ornament in the Goode Education Studio.

Noon, 2 and 3 p.m. - Discover folk art objects that have inspired holiday ornaments on our tree. (30 minutes)

### Hands-On Craft Workshops – Mondays at 10:15 a.m.

11/6 Felt Embroidered Pendants - 11/13 Gelli Plate Printing - 11/20 Hoop Art - 11/27 Scherenschnitte (German scissor cutting) (90 minutes) *Additional \$15 ticket required.*

### Special Tours

**Poison or Porphyria? Was King George III Really Mad? – Saturdays, Nov. 4, 11 and 18 at 2:45 p.m.**

Hear about the king's illnesses, objects celebrating his recovery, and what recent findings have revealed. (45 minutes)

**Meet the Curator or Conservator – 4 p.m.** Join our specialists to learn more. (30 minutes)

- Fri. Nov. 3 – Jan Gilliam, associate curator of toys, takes a closer look at 19<sup>th</sup>-century German toys

- Mon. Nov. 6 – Erik Goldstein, curator of mechanical arts, explore military and civilian weapons before 1800

- Mon. Nov. 13 – Neal Hurst, associate curator of costumes and textiles, shares insights about clothing and accessories

### In the Hennage Auditorium

**Watching Over My Girls – Wednesday, November 1 at 4:30 p.m.**

The USO in Merchants Square was a "home away from home" for servicemen stationed nearby during World War II. Senior Hostess Dorothy Tully shares stories of the girls who would be her Junior Hostesses. (1 hour)

**Rose and the Thistle: Music of the Tudor and Scottish Courts - Saturday, November 4 at 4:30 p.m.**

Join Wayne Hill and Lynn and Barry Trott for music from the late 16th and early 17th centuries on lute, cittern, viol, hurdy gurdy, recorders, violin, and voice. (1 hour)

**Elections in American History – Monday, November 6 at 4:30 p.m.**

Historian Tony Williams places elections within their often turbulent historical and constitutional context. (45 min.)

**Lincoln & Liberty: Honest Abe's Campaign Music - Tuesday, November 7 at 4:30 p.m.**

Join Historian Carson Hudson and musician Arden Clark to explore the music of his election & presidency. (1 hour)

**To Be Seen as an American - Wednesday, November 8 at 4:30 p.m.**

Meet three black women who didn't accept society's limits on what they could accomplish. The work of these Williamsburg women spanned three centuries, providing new opportunities for the next generation. (1 hour)

**The People Who Forged Civilization – Thursday, November 9 at 4:30 p.m.**

Join master storyteller Shel Browder for stories about those who created civilizations out of sweat and fire. (1 hour)

**Letters Home – Saturday, November 11 at 5:30 p.m.**

Celebrate Veteran's Day with this tribute to America's Citizen Soldiers with balladeers Kent LaRue and Emmy Award Winner Wayne Hill who share music, songs and soldiers' personal correspondence. (1 hour)

### **Church and State in Colonial and Revolutionary Virginia - Sunday, November 12 at 3 p.m.**

Robert Teagle, Historic Christ Church education director & curator, shares how we changed from a colony with an established church into a commonwealth with religious freedom. Sponsor -Tidewater VA Historical Society. (1 hour)

### **George Washington's Retirement – Monday, November 13 at 4:30 p.m.**

Historian Tony Williams discusses Washington's tearful farewell to the troops, his reflections on the war, and his dramatic resignation of his commission to the civilian Congress. (45 minutes)

### **Drum to the Beat - Tuesday, November 14 at 4:30 p.m.**

Join master drummer Lance Pedigo to experience the fun of drumming in a group. For all ages and abilities. (1 hour)

### **From Revolution to Restoration - Wednesday, November 15 at 4:30 p.m.**

Historian Carson Hudson shares how Williamsburg survived hard times and was restored to its former glory. (1 hour)

### **Back to Our Kitchens - Thursday, November 16 at 4:30 p.m.**

In each war women are asked to take the men's place as they go to war. Four women from the Revolutionary War to World War II share how they felt when thanked for their service and then asked to return to home & hearth. (1 hour)

### **Unique 18<sup>th</sup>-Century Musical Instruments - Tuesday, November 21 at 4:30 p.m.**

Stephen Christoff plays some of the more unusual instruments the colonists used to make music. (1 hour)

## **Holiday Programming**

### **President George Washington's Thanksgiving Proclamation - Wed, Nov, 22 at 12:30 and 2:30 p.m.**

In setting aside a day for Thanksgiving, Washington established a non-sectarian tone for these devotions and stressed political, moral & intellectual blessings that make self-government possible. (1 hour) *Additional \$4 program ticket required*

### **Come Ye Thankful People Come - Wednesday, November 22 at 5 p.m.**

Join Cliff Williams and John Turner as they share songs and hymns of Thanksgiving from the 17th, 18th and 19th centuries. (1 hour) *Additional \$7 program ticket required*

### **George Wythe: Friends and Family, Hearth and Home – Thursday, November 23 at 11:30 a.m.**

As this holiday season begins, join George Wythe as he reflects on the people that filled his life with success and prosperity, tragedy and loss. (1 hour) *Additional \$4 program ticket required*

### **Turkeys, Tunes & Traditions – Thursday, November 23 at 3 p.m.**

After your turkey dinner, join Stephen Christoff and Wayne Hill for a fun Thanksgiving afternoon of songs, tunes, and tales drawn from America's long love affair with music. (1 hour) *Additional \$6 program ticket required*

### **Hen Wives and Henpecked Husbands – Friday, November 24 at 11:15 a.m.**

No one is wiser than the Hen Wife and no one sadder than the Henpecked Husband. See who you think rules the roost with master storytellers Shelton Browder & Donna Wolf. (1 hour) *Additional \$6 program ticket required*

### **Bristol, Virginia and the Big Bang of Country Music – Friday, November 24 at 5 p.m.**

Join Henley Fork for classic country music from recording artists from the late 1920s on mandolin, fiddle, banjo, guitar, and bass. Doug Austin, Brian Forsman, and Lynn and Barry Trott. (1 hour) *Additional \$8 program ticket required*

### **Last Christmas Before Mount Vernon – Saturday, November 25 at 11:15 a.m.**

The future Mrs. Washington reflects on her past Christmases at her childhood home and during her first marriage. Discover what Christmas traditions she will bring to Mount Vernon. (1 hour) *Additional \$4 program ticket required*

**Making Music Just for Fun: Homemade Holiday Music – Saturday, November 25 at 3:30 p.m.**

Old-Time musicians Carson Hudson and Arden Clark demonstrate how families can make their own music at home! Learn about slide-whistles, kazoos, much more, all with a holiday flavor! (1 hour) *Additional \$6 program ticket required*

**A Thousand Reason to be Merry – Sunday, November 26 at 11:15 a.m.**

Mr. and Mrs. Jefferson share stories and fond memories as they try to make the most they can of their Christmas together in this uncertain time. (1 hour) *Additional \$4 program ticket required*

**A Harvest Home – Sunday, November 26 at 3:30 p.m.**

Join The Virginia Company (Barry Trott, Cliff Williams & David Gardner) for a musical festival of harvest plenty that will leave you filled to the brim with good cheer. (1 hour) *Additional \$8 program ticket required*

**Christmas 1945: Will We Celebrate Together? – Monday, November 27 at 11:30 a.m.**

Join two Williamsburg women from different backgrounds as Christmas approaches and the world prepares to celebrate peace on earth for the first time in many years. (1 hour) *Additional \$5 program ticket required*

**Strings of Christmas – Monday, November 27 at 4:30 p.m.**

David Gardner, Fulbright Scholar in music, strings you along through Christmas cheer on violin, viola, guitar, mandolin, cittern, pochette, quinton, oud, harp, dulcimer and banjo. (1 hour) *Additional \$6 program ticket required*

**African-American Christmas Traditions – Tuesday, November 28 at 11:15 a.m.**

Join enslaved Preacher Gowan Pamphlet and free laundress Edith Cumbo as they explore how free and enslaved African-Americans recognized, celebrated and memorialized Christmastide. (1 hour) *Additional \$4 program ticket required*

**Cleansing Fountain: Early American Folk Hymns – Tuesday, November 28 at 4:30 p.m.**

Timothy Seaman shares familiar and rarely heard tunes from the shape-note tradition of the late 18<sup>th</sup>- and 19<sup>th</sup>-centuries on hammered dulcimer, bamboo flute and voice. (1 hour) *Additional \$7 program ticket required*

**A Time for War, A Time for Peace – Wednesday, November 29 at 11:15 a.m.**

Even in times of war we find time to celebrate. Three women of the army cross paths during Christmastide. The American Revolution has changed their traditions, lives and themselves. (1 hour) *Additional \$6 program ticket required*

**Holiday Fiddle and Song – Wednesday, November 29 at 4:30 p.m.**

Brian Forsman and Bill Weldon share songs of the season from the '60s, '70s, and '80s--the 1760s, '70s, and '80s, that is! Join in singing carols and songs beloved by our ancestors. (1 hour) *Additional \$7 program ticket required*

**Joy in the Morning – Thursday, November 30 at 11:15 a.m.**

Gather with members of the enslaved community for a spirit-led celebration of songs and stories illuminating the struggles and triumphs of African Americans in 18th-century Williamsburg. (1 hour) *Additional \$4 program ticket required*

**Sing a Song of Sixpence – Thursday, November 30 at 4:30 p.m.**

Join talented musicians Kelly Kennedy and John Turner for a feast of songs and tunes about haggis, puddings, pies and other delicacies. (1 hour) *Additional \$8 program ticket required*

Many other tours are offered throughout the month.

Discover all our programs at <https://www.colonialwilliamsburg.com/art-museums> and scroll down

Follow us on Facebook. Subscribe to this e-mail list or discover more about the Art Museums by contacting [mcottrill@cwf.org](mailto:mcottrill@cwf.org)