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TALKS

Our series of Topics on Monticello continues in 2017 with more “behind-the-scenes” opportunities including a new offering at Monticello’s Tufton Farm! All events sold out last year; guarantee your place now by purchasing tickets at monticello.org/tomtalk or call (434) 984-9800.



APRIL 24
Garden Week
Conversation with
Julia Reed

Join us to hear author Julia Reed, the consummate hostess and go-to food and lifestyle expert, share her secrets on Southern entertaining. From spring garden lunches to Jefferson-themed dinner parties, Reed offers a feast of options for decorating and dining to set the mood for an unforgettable event. After the talk, Julia Reed will sign copies of her latest book *Julia Reed’s South: Spirited Entertaining and High-Style Fun All Year Long*. Author of five books, Julia Reed is a contributing editor at *Garden & Gun* and *Elle Décor*. She also writes a column for *Southern Living* and contributes to the *Wall Street Journal*.

\$65 per person,
6:30PM, includes a
private reception
and book-signing



JUNE 22 & 29
Jefferson’s Private
Suite: The Latest
Discoveries

Tour the new restoration and see the furnishings in Jefferson’s private rooms with Diane Ehrenpreis, Monticello’s associate curator, as if you were his own guest. You’ll see special features, including a folding screen in the bed alcove, a turning device for his clothes and green wallpaper in the Cabinet.

\$55 per person,
6PM, includes a private
reception



SEPTEMBER
21 & 28
Jefferson’s Recipes–
“In Good Taste and
Abundance”

Join us for a tasting tour to learn about some of the recipes Jefferson served at Monticello. Noted food historian Dr. Leni Sorensen will talk about some of Jefferson’s favorite dishes, sharing details of recipes, cookware he purchased in France and little known facts about some foods we now take for granted at our modern table.

\$55 per person,
6PM, includes a
private reception
with tastings during
the tour



OCTOBER 12 & 19
The View from
Tufton Farm

Come hear about Betty Hemings, matriarch of the enslaved community, as well as the white overseers and hired slaves who called Tufton Farm home. Dr. Christa Dierksheide, Monticello’s historian, shares stories about the people who lived at this lesser-known area of the Monticello plantation in her walking tour.

\$55 per person,
5:30PM, includes a
private reception



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