



Monticello receives award for preservation efforts

Monticello has been presented with the 2006 Mary Mason Anderson Williams Award from APVA Preservation Virginia.

The annual prize, which recognizes “exemplary preservation efforts on the part of a public or private preservation or civic group or individual,” was awarded Jan. 31 during a reception at St. Paul’s Episcopal Church in Richmond. The award was accepted by Kat Imhoff, Monticello’s vice president for planning and facilities.

Monticello was cited for placing approximately 1,275 acres once owned by Thomas Jefferson – including the Shadwell Estate, Tufton Farm, and the Home Farm adjacent to Monticello – under protective easements with the Virginia Outdoors Foundation and the state Department of Historic Resources to ensure that the scenic, cultural, and historic value of the land will be preserved in perpetuity.

“We’re thrilled and honored to be the recipient of the prestigious Mary Mason Anderson Williams Award,” said Thomas Jefferson Foundation President Daniel P. Jordan. “This award carries special meaning to us because we are aware of the distinguished list of previous recipients and because of our high regard for the mission and program of APVA Preservation Virginia.”

APVA Preservation Virginia, based in Richmond, is the nation’s oldest statewide preservation organization. It is dedicated to preserving and promoting the state’s irreplaceable historic assets to ensure the vitality of Virginia’s distinctive heritage, resulting in cultural, economic and educational benefits for the public.

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