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Our series of Topics on Monticello continues in 2014 with new insider opportunities! A portion of each ticket includes a gift to support Monticello. To purchase tickets, visit [www.monticello.org/tomtalk](http://www.monticello.org/tomtalk) or call Reservations at (434) 984-9800.

**APRIL 28**

**Thomas Woltz**

“A Conversation in the Garden”

Join us for an elegant garden party with celebrated landscape architect and author Thomas Woltz on the West Lawn of

Monticello. Drawing on his work from Monticello, Woltz will speak about how modern design methods can improve ecology and reveal

cultural and historic landscapes. Woltz was educated at the University of Virginia in the fields of architecture, landscape architecture, fine art, and architectural history. He was recently profiled in *Elle Decor* and *Garden Design* magazines. Enjoy informal tours of Monticello and the gardens, fine Virginia wine, and hors d'oeuvres.

6-8 pm, \$65 per person  
(includes a \$30 charitable gift)



**JUNE 10, 12**

**Diane Ehrenpreis**

“Making a Home Together: Thomas and Martha Jefferson’s Early Life at Monticello”

Visit a space not available to tours! Monticello’s South Pavilion was the first building on Monticello mountain and the space where young Thomas and Martha Jefferson lived as a newly married couple in 1772. Join Diane Ehrenpreis, Monticello’s Assistant Curator of Decorative Arts (and unofficial History Detective) as she shares new research that serves as the basis for our current interpretation of the South Pavilion. Ehrenpreis will speak on the decorative arts and social history, and what it would have been like to live in this environment as a young couple with an infant. Dessert bar and discussion after site visit.

6-7:30 pm, \$45 per person  
(includes a \$20 charitable gift)



**OCTOBER 7, 15**

**Gabriele Rausse**

“Thomas Jefferson and the Culture of the Earth”

Thomas Jefferson believed in the virtues of agrarian life for establishing America as a free and independent nation. His legacy in gardening and influence in the cultivation of wine is still seen today. Monticello’s Director of Gardens and Grounds and a Virginia winemaker—often referred to as the “Father of Virginia Wine”—will lead this insider program in Monticello’s newest vineyard on Montalto, with incomparable views of Charlottesville, the Blue Ridge Mountains, and Monticello. Rausse will share Jefferson’s ideas for an agrarian society and vision for a U.S. wine industry. Program ends with a casual, outdoor cheese-and-wine reception. Outdoors, some walking is involved.

6-7:30 pm, \$55 per person  
(includes a \$25 charitable gift)

**NOVEMBER 19**

**Annette Gordon-Reed and Alan Taylor**

“Slavery in America and at Monticello”

Join Pulitzer Prize-winning writers and historians Annette Gordon-Reed and Alan Taylor for an in-depth discussion on Thomas Jefferson, slavery in America, and the enslaved families who called Monticello home. Annette Gordon-Reed is Professor of Law and History at Harvard University and the Carol K. Pforzheimer Professor at the Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study. She received a Pulitzer Prize and a National Book Award for her work *The Hemingses of Monticello: An American Family*. Alan Taylor, a historian specializing in early American history, won a Pulitzer Prize and the Bancroft Prize for his work *William Cooper’s Town: Power and Persuasion on the Frontier of the Early American Republic*. He is the author of books about colonial America, the American Revolution, and the Early American Republic.

6-8 pm, \$65 per person  
(includes a \$30 charitable gift)

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