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Journalist and historian Brookhiser to speak July 27

JOURNALIST, historian, and biographer Richard Brookhiser will discuss the relationship between two members of his favorite group of people — America's Founding Fathers — at Monticello this summer.

Brookhiser's talk, "Private Friendship and Political Harmony: The Partnership of Thomas Jefferson and James Madison," will be held on the West Lawn of Monticello on the evening of Tuesday, July 27.

Brookhiser is a senior editor at *National Review*, which he joined in 1977. He has written for numerous other magazines, including *The New Yorker*, *Cosmopolitan*, *Atlantic Monthly*, *Time*, and *Vanity Fair*, as well as the *New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, and other newspapers.

He is also widely known for his books on America's founders. These include *Founding Father: Rediscovering George Washington* (1996), *Alexander Hamilton, American* (1999), *America's First Dynasty: The Adamses, 1735-1918* (2002), *Gentleman Revolutionary: Gouverneur Morris, the Rake Who Wrote the Constitution* (2003), and *What Would Our Founders Do? Our Questions, Their Answers* (2006).

He also wrote and hosted *Rediscovering George Washington*, a

film by Michael Pack that aired on PBS in 2002, and was the historian curator of "Alexander Hamilton: The Man Who Made Modern America," an exhibition at The New-York Historical Society in 2004-05.

Brookhiser's most recent book is *Right Time, Right Place: Coming of Age with William F. Buckley Jr. and the Conservative Movement* (2009).

A graduate of Yale University, Brookhiser received an honorary degree from Washington College in Chestertown, Md., in 2005 and a National Humanities Medal from the National Endowment for the Humanities in 2008.

In addition to the talk by Brookhiser, the July 27 event, which will begin at 6 p.m., will include walk-through tours of the house and an outdoor reception with wine and hors d'oeuvres.

Tickets for "An Evening at Monticello with Richard Brookhiser" are \$35; no discounts apply. Reserved tickets are required and can be purchased online at www.monticello.org or by calling (434) 984-9880.

The event with Brookhiser will be second of its type at Monticello. The first, held last June, featured Benjamin Wallace, author of *The Billionaire's Vinegar: The Mystery of the World's Most Expensive Bottle of Wine*, and was sold out.



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