MARCH 24 & 26
Jefferson Family Spaces
Experience a behind-the-scenes visit with Assistant Curator Emilie Johnson to explore Monticello’s family spaces through the perspectives of the people who lived in this home. Johnson will also speak about the dynamics within the Monticello household.
$55 per person, 6-7:30 p.m., with reception after site visit.

APRIL 20
Garden Week Conversation with Stephen Orr
In celebration of Garden Week in Virginia, join us for a conversation with Stephen Orr, Executive Editor, Condé Nast Traveler and author of The New American Herbal, a historically minded but modern approach to using herbs. Orr, a celebrated writer, editor and photographer who worked at Martha Stewart Living, visited Monticello while researching his new book. Orr is also the author of Tomorrow’s Garden: Design and Inspiration for a New Age of Sustainable Gardening.
$65 per person, 6-8 p.m., with reception. Informal tours of the gardens and grounds will be offered prior to the event.

SEPTEMBER 15 & 17
Mechanically Inclined: Thomas Jefferson’s Concept of Comfort
Jefferson returned from France with 86 crates of furnishings, knowledge of the most sophisticated Parisian mechanical and metamorphic furniture, and an appreciation for French architecture. Diane Ehrenpreis, Monticello’s Assistant Curator of Decorative Arts, will show how these adaptations contributed to the unique design of Monticello and its furnishings.
$55 per person, 6-7:30 p.m., with reception after site visit.

OCTOBER 6 & 14
Inside Out, Outside In: Restoring Monticello
Learn about current restoration projects with Gardiner Hallock, Monticello’s Architectural Historian. Sites include the Weavers Cottage, the Dependencies and Jefferson’s bedroom.
$55 per person, 6-7:30 p.m., with reception after site visit.

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