

MAYMONT®

An American Estate

TO: Calendar Editors

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RE: Advance Listings of Spring-Summer 2017 Programs

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Attached are advanced listings of Maymont's programs for **February, March, April, May, June, July and August.** Photographs of Maymont and of a variety of programs and events are available. Please contact us for further information.

Maymont: An American Estate

The story of Maymont – one of Richmond's enduring treasures – began in 1893, when a wealthy Richmond couple, James and Sallie Dooley, completed their elaborate Gilded Age estate on a site high above the James River. According to their wishes, Maymont was left as a special place for people to experience and enjoy.

There are 100 acres of rolling hills, gardens, animals and architecture to explore at Maymont. Guests can learn about American history and design on a guided tour of Maymont Mansion, or picnic on the lawn outside. Take a long walk through the Japanese Garden or check out interactive exhibits at the Nature Center. Visit domestic animals at the Farm, or see native Virginia wildlife in natural habitats throughout the estate. Whether guests visit for 30 minutes, an afternoon or a whole day, Maymont has something to offer.

A Lasting Legacy

During the Gilded Age of the late 1880s through the 1910s – the era of Carnegie, Rockefeller and Vanderbilt – millionaires often demonstrated their prosperity through elaborate homes and gardens. Richmond-born financier James Dooley was among this new class in American society. Through the expansion of the railroads and other business ventures, Dooley contributed to the recovery and growth of the South and his hometown after the Civil War.

Beyond business, James and his wife Sallie were also central figures in the social, intellectual and philanthropic life of their city. The Dooleys left an enduring legacy in Richmond through institutions that still serve us, like St. Joseph's Villa, the Richmond Public Library, the Children's Hospital and, of course, Maymont. These gifts exemplify how they used their wealth for the benefit of the public.

An Extraordinary Gift

Creating a great estate like Maymont is noteworthy, but the Dooleys will be remembered not for the act of building or owning Maymont, but for the generosity they demonstrated when they gave it to the community. The Dooleys' gift and the gifts of other major donors have inspired similar acts of kindness from thousands of others over many decades.

Since 1975, Maymont has been maintained and operated by the private nonprofit Maymont Foundation. Eighty percent of Maymont's funding comes from the generosity of private patrons and guests. For information on hours and fees, call 804-358-7166 or visit maymont.org. Maymont's Visitor Center entrance is located at 2201 Shields Lake Drive in Richmond.

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ADVANCE PROGRAM LISTINGS
FEBRUARY – AUGUST 2017

****For program registration, call the phone number and extension listed, or visit maymont.org.***

FEBRUARY 2017

MAYMONT'S TODDLER TIME: WINTER WIGGLES

Four-session program: Wednesdays, February 1, 8, 15 & 22, 10-11am, Nature Center

What do snakes, owls and bears do for the chilly season? Get out of the cold and head over to the Maymont Nature Center for some indoor fun! We'll read stories, make crafts, and have some free play as we learn about what some animals do to survive during the winter months. You and your toddler might even make a few new friends! For ages 1-4; adult must accompany child. \$36 per parent and child pair/\$29 members (includes all sessions). Space is limited, and this popular program fills early. Register online at maymont.org by January 31; for information, call 804-358-7168.

Maymont Honors Black History Month

MAYMONT'S VIEW FROM THE BACKSTAIRS

Saturday, February 4 & Sunday, February 5, 12-5pm, Maymont Mansion

Visit Maymont Mansion to experience Richmond's Gilded Age showplace from the perspective of those who knew it as a workplace. Like most southern households at the turn of the 20th century, nearly everyone employed by the Dooleys as butlers, maids, cooks and laundresses were African American. Discover the daily challenges of maintaining a millionaire's home and lifestyle during the years 1893 to 1925, as well as the challenges presented beyond the estate's gates in the turbulent times of the Jim Crow South. See the restored spaces where the staff lived and worked, and learn about the demanding standards of an elite home in an era of rapidly changing household technology. Guided tours available every half-hour; last tour begins at 4:30pm. \$7 per person/\$4 members. For information, call 804-358-7166, ext. 329.

ANIMAL ENRICHMENT AT MAYMONT

Saturday, February 11, 11am-12pm, Nature Center

Do animals enjoy puzzles, games, toys and treats? They do! Come assist Maymont staff in making enrichment items for our bobcat, fox, bears, otters and more. Deliver them to the animals and watch as they engage in the fun! Ages 5 and older; adult must accompany child. \$15 per person/\$12 members. Register online at maymont.org by February 10; for information, call 804-358-7168.

THE LOVE TOUR AT MAYMONT MANSION

Saturday, February 11 & Sunday, February 12, 12-5pm, Maymont Mansion

When Queen Victoria married her handsome prince charming in 1840, they set the romantic tone for the 19th century. Visit Maymont Mansion on Valentine's Day weekend as elegantly costumed ladies and gentlemen relate details of this royal love story and the courting customs of the era. Discover the Victorian language of love as depicted in the décor of Maymont Mansion, where romantic swans, red roses and costly indulgences reflect James Dooley's loving devotion to his wife, Sallie. Guided tours available every half-hour; last tour begins at 4:30pm. \$7 per person/\$4 members. For information, call 804-358-7166, ext. 329. *What could be more romantic than a horse-drawn carriage ride with your special someone? To reserve a private ride, call 804-358-7166, ext. 340.*

VICTORIAN HIGH TECH AT MAYMONT

Saturday, February 18, 12:30-1:30pm, Maymont Mansion

When was this invented? How did that work? This special behind-the-scenes tour reveals the bells, whistles, hidden panels, knobs, tubes and other technological wonders that made Major and Mrs. Dooley's home one of the most modern in Gilded Age Richmond. Visit Maymont Mansion and marvel at the latest up-to-date comforts of an 1890s home: electricity, central heat, indoor plumbing, telephone service, an elevator and more. \$7 per person/\$4 members. Register online at maymont.org; for information, call 804-358-7166, ext. 329.

HOMESCHOOL HAPPENINGS AT MAYMONT: ONE HOUSE, TWO WORLDS

Wednesday, February 22, 11am-12pm, Maymont Mansion

Maymont's unique history provides a rich resource that awakens students to ideas and events of the past and a connection to how the past affects their lives today. Students examine a complex and often neglected period of history as they explore the perspectives of employer and employee, server and served, represented within Maymont Mansion. Ages 8 and older. \$6 per person. Register online at maymont.org by February 21. For groups of 6 or more and for information, call 804-358-7166, ext. 329.

FAMILY FISH PRINTING AT MAYMONT

Saturday, February 25, 1-2pm, Nature Center

I caught a fish THIS BIG! Come learn Gyotaku, the Japanese art of fish printing, so everyone will believe your fish tales when you make your next big catch. Learn about native fish and get a behind-the-scenes tour of our aquariums in this fun hands-on workshop. We will provide the fish, paint and a t-shirt or tote bag; just bring your imagination and creativity! \$15 per project/\$12 members. Register online at maymont.org by February 24; for information, call 804-358-7168.

A WALK THROUGH MAYMONT'S WINTER WONDERLAND

Tuesday, February 28, 5-6:30pm, Maymont Grounds

Join Peggy Singlemann, Maymont's Director of Horticulture, on a wonder-filled winter walk through Maymont. Admire views reminiscent of the Dooley era, and enjoy the estate's landscape features, exotic and native plants, and late winter blossoms during this exclusive after-hours tour. Meet at the Historic Estate Entrance. \$10 suggested donation. Register online at maymont.org by February 27; for information, call 804-358-7166, ext. 310. Program will not be held in inclement weather.

MARCH 2017

SPRING! AT MAYMONT

Throughout March, April and May

Maymont springs into spring with an action-packed, wonder-filled season brimming with programs and events for all interests and age groups showcasing every facet of this American estate. Get up close and personal with the goats, enjoy an in-depth look at the gardens, or chat with a Victorian lady! Fees vary for activities; some activities are weather-dependent. For information, call 804-358-7166, ext. 310 or visit maymont.org.

HOMESCHOOL HAPPENINGS AT MAYMONT: LIFE CYCLES

Wednesday, March 1, 10-10:45am, Nature Center

How does a tadpole turn into a frog? What kinds of animals hatch from eggs? Students learn how animals grow up as they investigate the changes animals go through in their life cycles. Ages 6-10. \$9 per child (includes Nature Center admission). Register online at maymont.org by February 28; for information, call 804-358-7168.

TODDLER TIME AT MAYMONT: DOWN ON THE FARM

Four-session program: Thursdays, March 2, 9, 16 & 23, 10-10:45am or 11-11:45am, the Farm Classroom

Introduce your little explorers to the joys of spring at Maymont! Each session in this four-week program includes a story, craft, and a visit with one of Maymont's animals. You and your toddler might even make a few new friends! For ages 1-4; adult must accompany child. \$32 per parent and child pair/\$25 members (includes all sessions and Nature Center admission). Register online at maymont.org by March 1; for information, call 804-358-7168.

TIFFANY & CO. AND AMERICA'S GILDED AGE DYNASTIES

A lecture and reception sponsored by the Maymont Council

Presented by Annamarie Sandecki, Archivist, Tiffany & Co. Archives

Tuesday, March 7, 6-7:30pm, Garden Hall

During the Gilded Age, thousands of Americans traveled abroad, absorbing the customs and culture of European aristocracy. Wealthy American families – like the Stamfords, Vanderbilts, and Morgans – wanted to emulate the elegant homes and fashionable lifestyle of European royalty in a uniquely American manner. Tiffany & Co., with its atelier of designers and craftsmen, was able to satisfy this desire through its exclusive designs for everything from a diamond-encrusted tiara to an elaborate silver tea set, and one-of-a-kind showpieces such as the remarkable sterling silver dressing table ensemble acquired by James and Sallie Dooley of Maymont in Richmond, Virginia. Sandecki has served as Tiffany & Co.'s archivist since 1991. In this role, she has lectured and written extensively, drawing upon her intimate knowledge of the story and the creations of the 180 year-old New York jeweler and silversmith. Her illustrated talk highlights the unique jewels, stunning trophies and extraordinary objets d'art crafted by Tiffany for America's most famous dynasties. This program is held in collaboration with the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts exhibition, *The Rachel Lambert Mellon Collection of Jean Schlumberger*. \$15 per person/\$10 members (includes program and reception). Register online at maymont.org or call 804-358-7166, ext. 329.

HOMESCHOOL HAPPENINGS AT MAYMONT: FOOD CHAINS

Wednesday, March 8, 10-10:45am, Nature Center

What do bears, bison and bobcats eat for lunch? Find out what the animals at Maymont eat while learning about food chains. Students will explore the diets of herbivores, carnivores and omnivores; compare the teeth and skulls of animals; and investigate producers, consumers and decomposers. Ages 6-10. \$9 per child (includes Nature Center admission). Register online at www.maymont.org by March 7; for information, call 804-358-7168.

HOMESCHOOL HAPPENINGS AT MAYMONT: CREATURES OF THE NIGHT

Wednesday, March 8, 11-11:45am, Nature Center

Who stays awake while you sleep? Meet some of Maymont's nighttime residents and learn about their nocturnal adaptations through hands-on activities. Ages 6-10. \$9 per child (includes Nature Center admission). Register online at maymont.org by March 7; for information, call 804-358-7168.

ANIMAL ENCOUNTER AT MAYMONT

Saturday, March 11, 11am-12pm, Nature Center

Meet some of Maymont's animal ambassadors during scaly, feathered and furry close encounters. Visit with alligators, snakes and turtles, birds of prey, and animals of the Chesapeake Bay. \$8 per person/\$6 members (includes Nature Center admission). Register online at maymont.org by March 10; for information, call 804-358-7168

Maymont Honors Women's History Month

MAYMONT'S VOICES OF VICTORIAN WOMEN & TIME TRAVELER'S WEEKEND

Saturday & Sunday, March 11 & 12, 12-5pm, Maymont Mansion

A woman's life at the turn of the 20th century was about much more than hosting tea parties and doing needlepoint. Many women were concerned with moral, social, economic and political changes that were transforming their families, communities and the world. This special tour of the Dooleys' home focuses on a woman's role and her influence 100 years ago, and introduces visitors to Mrs Dooley's dressmaker and members of the conscientious domestic staff as the past comes to life with living history and fun activities that highlight James and Sallie Dooley's extraordinary gift to you! Guided tours available every half-hour; last tour begins at 4:30pm. Free admission; fee for carriage rides. This program is part of Time Travelers Weekend, when Richmond's most renowned historic homes and museums offer visitors a "passport" to time-travel during a special admission-free weekend. For more information, visit maymont.org or call 804-358-7166, ext. 329.

BEHIND THE SCENES AT MAYMONT

Saturday, March 11, 1-1:30pm, Nature Center

Get a special peek at the inner workings of the Nature Center. Thirteen aquariums and more than 200 animals require more care than meets the eye. Ages 5 and older; adult must accompany child. \$6 per person/\$3 members (includes Nature Center admission). Register at the Visitor Center desk on the day of the program. (Groups of 5 or more must register in advance). For information, call 804-358-7168.

HOMESCHOOL HAPPENINGS AT MAYMONT: HABITATS OF VIRGINIA

Wednesday, March 15, 10:00-10:45am, Nature Center

Discover several of Virginia's diverse ecosystems and the animals and plants that call them home. Students learn what impact nature and humans have on these natural resources. Ages 6-10. \$9 per child (includes Nature Center admission). Register online at maymont.org by March 14; for information, call 804-358-7168.

HOMESCHOOL HAPPENINGS AT MAYMONT: WETLAND EXPLORATION

Wednesday, March 15, 11am-12pm, Nature Center and Maymont Grounds

Dive in and learn about small creatures that live in the stream that runs through Maymont's grounds and exhibits. Through field investigations, students will gain a greater understanding of one of our most precious resources, wetlands. This program occurs outside, weather permitting; dress appropriately for the weather. Ages 10 and older. \$9 per child (includes Nature Center admission). Register online at maymont.org by March 14; for information, call 804-358-7168.

THE FARM AT MAYMONT: GRAND RE-OPENING

Sunday, March 26, 12-3pm, Farm at Maymont

Join in the fun as Maymont celebrates the completion of the Farm renovations. Enjoy crafts, animal handling demonstrations, the new rain garden and more. For information, call 804-358-7166.

APRIL 2017

SPRING! AT MAYMONT

Throughout April and May

Maymont springs into spring with an action-packed, wonder-filled season brimming with programs and events for all interests and age groups showcasing every facet of this American estate. Get up close and personal with the goats, enjoy an in-depth look at the gardens, or chat with a Victorian lady! Fees vary for activities; some activities are weather-dependent. For information, call 804-358-7166, ext. 310 or visit maymont.org.

SPRING/SUMMER HOURS AT MAYMONT MANSION

Tuesday-Sunday, April 1-September 30, 11am-5pm, Maymont Mansion

Maymont Mansion opens its doors early for spring and summer tours! Discover the story of Maymont, a restored 1893 mansion and lavish estate given to the City of Richmond by James and Sallie Dooley. Explore the opulent rooms upstairs, filled with Tiffany and Co. luxury items, stained glass, European and Asian porcelain and other treasures, in addition to service rooms downstairs with an extensive exhibition that reveals the life and work of domestic employees in a great Southern household during America's Gilded Age. Upstairs guided tours; self-guided belowstairs exhibit. \$5 suggested donation. For information, call 804-358-7166, ext. 329.

ANIMAL APRIL FOOLS AT MAYMONT

Saturday, April 1, 11am-12pm, Nature Center

Camouflage and mimicry can make animals great tricksters! Learn about some of these fascinating adaptations through hands-on activities and animal encounters. \$8 per person/\$6 members. Register online at maymont.org by March 31; for information, call 804-358-7168.

BEHIND THE SCENES AT MAYMONT

Saturday, April 1, 1-1:30pm, Nature Center

See March 11 listing. For information, call 804-358-7168.

TODDLER TIME AT MAYMONT: OUT AND ABOUT

Four-session program: Mondays, April 3, 10, 17 & 24, 10-11am, Nature Center and Grounds

Tie on your sneakers, strap the kids in a stroller or backpack and join us on a walk through Maymont. Along the way, we'll stop and explore our senses of touch, smell and hearing with a variety of short activities. Ages 18 months-4 years; adult must accompany child. \$36 per parent and child pair/\$29 members (includes all sessions and Nature Center admission). Register online at maymont.org by April 2; for information, call 804-358-7168.

Special Exhibition and Tours

NEW! OVER HERE: THE WWI HOME FRONT AT MAYMONT

Tuesdays-Sundays, April 4–October 31, 11am-5pm, Maymont Mansion

As part of the national centennial observance of World War I, Maymont Mansion provides a glimpse into the war's effect on the household of James and Sallie Dooley and other Richmonders. In April 1917, America found itself drawn into WWI, and despite warnings from some – including business leader Major James H. Dooley – soon discovered it was unprepared for the magnitude of this undertaking. Visit the Dooleys' Gilded Age home to see how citizens rallied to support the war effort, from Major Dooley's financial support with the largest purchase of Liberty Bonds in Virginia, to the immensely important patriotic activities of women, to the domestic staff who enlisted. Through authentic poster art, historical images of Richmonders engaged in the war effort, period dress including an Army uniform worn by a University of Virginia student who gave his life to the war, popular patriotic songs of the day, and other displays, Maymont Mansion tells the story of this turbulent time that touched everyone on the American home front and brought the Gilded Age to a close. Guided tours available every half-hour; last tour begins at 4:30pm. \$5 suggested donation. For information, call 804-358-7166, ext. 329.

MAYMONT MEMBER EGG-STRAVAGANZA

Saturday, April 8, 9am, Farm at Maymont

Join us for an exclusive egg hunt at the newly renovated and expanded Farm at Maymont. Space is limited to the first 150 participants to register. A current Maymont family membership is required. For information about this members-only event, call 804-358-7166, ext. 313.

SPRING BREAK WEEK AT MAYMONT

Monday-Friday, April 10-14

Spend spring break week at Maymont! Indoor exhibits, including Maymont Mansion and the Nature Center, will be open all week (even on Monday), and there will be something fun for the entire family to do every day. Most programs require advance registration. For information, call 804-358-7166, ext. 310.

MAYMONT'S PINWHEELS & PASTIMES

Monday-Friday, April 10-14, 1-3pm, Maymont Mansion Lawn

Join in an old-fashioned play party with the games and toys that amused boys and girls 100 years ago. People from the past encourage you to try your hand at hoops, make a toy, or compete in races and other fun games from yesteryear. Free! For information, call 804-358-7166, ext. 329.

A RABBIT ON THE CABINET AT MAYMONT

Monday-Friday, April 10-14, 2-2:30pm, Maymont Mansion

Discover the enchanting home of Major and Mrs. Dooley as their nieces and nephews must have seen it more than 100 years ago. Find a lion in the fireplace, a swan in the bedroom, a rabbit on the cabinet and more as the wonders within the mansion are revealed to children of all ages. \$5 per person. For information, call 804-358-7166, ext. 329.

THE SECRET LIFE OF A VICTORIAN HOUSE AT MAYMONT

Monday-Friday, April 10-14, 3-3:45pm, Maymont Mansion

The Dooleys' housemaid brings the mansion to life during a family-friendly tour of the upstairs and downstairs of their grand home. Climb the backstairs to discover hidden doors and bells as you experience life and work at the estate 100 years ago. \$6 per person/\$4 members. For information, call 804-358-7166, ext. 329.

FAMILY SCAVENGER HUNT AT MAYMONT

Monday, Wednesday and Friday, April 10, 12 & 14, 10am-12pm, Maymont Grounds

Explore Maymont's 100 acres in a whole new way! Crack secret codes for clues, and use maps and riddles to find your way around the estate in this family-friendly scavenger hunt. Different difficulty levels are available. Ages 4 and older; adult must accompany child. \$15 per family or group (up to four people)/\$12 members. Register online at maymont.org; for information, call 804-358-7168. *Limited space for walk-ups.*

BEHIND THE SCENES AT MAYMONT

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, April 10, 12 & 14, 1-1:30pm and 2:30-3pm, Nature Center

See March 11 listing. For information, call 804-358-7168.

ANIMAL ENCOUNTERS AT MAYMONT

Tuesday and Thursday, April 11 & 13, 11am-12pm, Nature Center

See March 11 listing. Register online at maymont.org; for information, call 804-358-7168. *Limited space for walk-ups.*

ANIMAL ENRICHMENT AT MAYMONT

Tuesday and Thursday, April 11 & 13, 1:30-2:30 pm, the Farm Classroom

See February 11 listing. Register online at maymont.org; for information, call 804-358-7168. *Limited space for walk-ups.*

MAYMONT'S FAIRY CHASE

Thursday, April 13, 10:30am-12pm, Garden Hall

Do you believe in fairies? Enjoy a magical morning filled with whimsy and make-believe. Play games, make wishes, hear stories and receive your very own wings and wand as you learn what fairies like to do and where they like to hide. Imaginative clues guide you around the lawns of Maymont as you search for the winged creatures, finding treasures along the way. This enchanting program concludes with a sweet treat of fairy cakes and lemonade. Meet at Maymont's Carriage House. Ages 4-8. \$22 per child/\$18 members. Parents are welcome to observe the program. Register online at maymont.org by April 12; for information, call 804-358-7166, ext. 329.

DOMINION FAMILY EASTER AT MAYMONT

Saturday, April 15, 10am-3pm, Carriage House Lawn

Experience one of Richmond's favorite Easter traditions! Visit the Eggativity Zone for an exciting adventure to gather colorful eggs by participating in games and activities. Pick the right egg and you could win an extra surprise. Stop by the Hopping Fun Zone to visit with the Easter Bunny, participate in a bonnet parade, and enjoy crafts and games. Along the way, you'll meet characters from yesterday and today who will reveal some fun facts about Maymont. Enjoy live entertainment, food and more. Activity pass required for most stations. For information, call 804-358-7166, ext 310.

HISTORIC GARDEN WEEK TOUR AT MAYMONT

Wednesday, April 26, 10am-5pm, Maymont Mansion, Gardens & Grounds

Sponsored by the Council of Historic Richmond Foundation with the Garden Club of Virginia

Celebrate Historic Garden Week at Maymont and at the charming homes and gardens of the nearby Westover Hills neighborhood. Special tours showcase the treasures inside Maymont Mansion including Tiffany stained glass, frescoed ceilings and original furnishings. The kitchen and other restored service rooms depict the upstairs-downstairs lifestyle of the Gilded Age home. Maymont's garden experts and interpreters welcome guests to the estate and offer insight into the original features and design of the magnificent gardens and surrounding landscape. Champion trees, a carriage display, wildlife exhibits, the newly renovated Farm and a Nature Center complete the 100-acre estate. Park at the Historical Estate entrance at 1700 Hampton Street.; the mansion and gardens are a short walk from the gate. Guided mansion tours available 10am-5pm. \$5/free with April 26 Historic Garden Week ticket. Visit maymont.org for more information.

33RD ANNUAL HERBS GALORE & MORE AT MAYMONT

Saturday, April 29, 8am-4pm, Carriage House Lawn

Put on your gardening shoes, grab your little red wagon and come out to the Marketplace on the Lawn for everyone's favorite gardening extravaganza! Find more than 60 plant and craft vendors from the mid-Atlantic region selling herbs, annuals, perennials, heirloom plants, vegetables, trees, garden ornaments, delicious food and other related products. Check out our "Meet the Expert" speaker series – free with admission – highlighting a variety of topics for the gardening novice to the seasoned pro. \$5 fee for Marketplace/free for members. For information, call 804-358-7166, ext. 310.

MAY 2017

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Special Exhibition and Tours

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See April 4 listing. For information, call 804-358-7166, ext. 329.

CALL OF THE WILD AUCTION AT MAYMONT

Presented by the Dooley Noted Society, Maymont's Young Professionals Group

Saturday, May 6, 4:30-8:30pm, Nature Center

Saddle up for an evening of unbridled fun as we bring the Kentucky Derby to Maymont during the Dooley Noted Society's 8th annual Call of the Wild auction. Wear your derby best, place your bets during our live and silent auctions, and enjoy an open bar and great food during this event to benefit Maymont. Must be 21 years or older. For information and ticket sales, call 804-358-7166, ext. 313 or visit maymont.org.

MOTHER'S DAY TEA AT MAYMONT

Saturday, May 13, 2pm, Maymont Mansion

Dress in your favorite spring fashions, be it vintage or modern, to enjoy afternoon tea in one of the most picturesque settings in Richmond. Enjoy this time-honored tradition with your mother, daughter or special friend on the mansion porch as elegant Victorian ladies, distinguished gentlemen and attending servants see to every detail. Tea sandwiches and little cakes, special music and a visit to the mansion make this a very memorable afternoon. \$20 per person/\$15 members. Register online at maymont.org by May 12; for information, call 804-358-7166, ext. 329.

A WALK THROUGH THE POLLINATOR'S PARADISE AT MAYMONT

Tuesday, May 16, 5-6:30pm, Maymont Grounds

Join Peggy Singlemann, Maymont's Director of Horticulture, for a walk through Maymont highlighting the native plants that attract pollinators. On this exclusive tour, learn some tips for selection, pruning and general care of pollinator plants for your landscape. Meet at the Robins Nature and Visitor Center parking lot. \$10 suggested donation. Register online at maymont.org by May 15; for information, call 804-358-7166, ext. 310.

ANIMAL ENCOUNTER AT MAYMONT

Saturday, May 20, 2-3pm, Nature Center

See March 11 listing. Register online at maymont.org by May 19; for information, call 804-358-7168.

MAYMONT'S FAMILY CAMP-OUT: A NIGHT UNDER THE STARS

Friday, May 26, 6:30pm-Saturday, May 27, 9am, Maymont Grounds

Using stars as our guide, we'll explore how humans and animals alike have navigated the world during this overnight camping adventure. Learn some map and compass skills while on a scavenger hunt. As the sun sets explore the lives of animals that migrate thousands of miles a year. Afterwards we'll make s'mores and enjoy stories around the campfire. Following a night in your tent on Maymont's grounds, enjoy a continental breakfast and visit with the animals at the newly renovated Farm. Ages 4 and older; all participants must register. Participants will be sent more information prior to the program. \$40 per person/\$30 members. Register online at maymont.org by May 23; for information, call 804-358-7168.

SPECIAL MONDAY OPENING: MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY

Monday, May 29

Nature & Visitor Center, 10am-5pm

Maymont Mansion, 11-5pm

Maymont's indoor exhibits, including Maymont Mansion and the Nature Center, will be open for the holiday. (Indoor exhibits are normally open Tuesday-Sunday). For information, call 804-358-7166, ext. 310.

JUNE 2017

SUMMER DISCOVERY CAMPS AT MAYMONT

Throughout June, July and August

Nature calls! Maymont's wildly popular summer camps offer outdoor adventures, animal encounters, games, crafts and hands-on activities for young nature explorers ages 3 to 13. Fees vary. For a complete schedule of camps, visit maymont.org/summer-camps.

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NEW! THE DOOLEYS OF RICHMOND BOOK & AUTHOR EVENT

Lecture, Book Signing & Reception Sponsored by the Maymont Council

Presented by Dr. Mary Lynn Bayliss, Author

Tuesday, June 6, 6-7:30, Garden Hall

Dr. Mary Lynn Bayliss presents an overview of her recently published book, *The Dooleys of Richmond*, which tells the story of a dynamic Irish Catholic immigrant family who came to Virginia in the nineteenth century. Learn about the family's fortunes during their prosperous years when John Dooley, father of Maymont's James Henry Dooley, established a large hat manufacturing enterprise and became a prominent civic leader, through the Civil War, with John and his sons serving in the Confederate Army and the family suffering the loss of their hat manufactory in the fire that swept through Richmond. The Dooley family saga brightens with the rise of young James Henry Dooley, who becomes a leading Richmond lawyer and philanthropist, builds a fortune through the development of railroads and plays a key role in the emergence of the New South. He and his wife Sallie built Maymont, their Gilded Age estate, today recognized as a major historic site in Virginia. Join us to celebrate the culmination of many years of research at a book signing and reception following the lecture. \$6/free for members. Register online at maymont.org; for more information call 804-358-7166, ext. 329.

WHO'S AWAKE? A FAMILY NIGHT HIKE AT MAYMONT

Friday, June 9, 7:30-9:30pm, Nature Center

Ever wonder who stays awake while you sleep? Meet some of Maymont's nighttime residents and learn about their nocturnal adaptations through experiments, games and a hike of the grounds for National Get Outdoors Month! Owls, frogs and many other creatures of the dark will help shed some light onto their mysterious ways. Ages 4 and older; adult must accompany children ages 18 and under. \$8 per person/\$6 members. Register online at maymont.org by June 8; for information, call 804-358-7168.

MAYMONT'S FAIRY CHASE

Saturday, June 17, 10:30am-12pm, Maymont Grounds

See April 13 listing. Register online at maymont.org by June 16; for information, call 804-358-7166, ext. 329.

BUMBLEBEE JAMBOREE AT MAYMONT

Saturday, June 17, 10:30am-2:30pm, the Farm Lawn

Celebrate National Pollinator Week with family-friendly activities including a live butterfly safari tent, puppet shows, crafts and games. See inside a bee hive, enjoy butterfly garden tours, view the VCU display of live insects, learn pollinator plant selections, enjoy food and beverage samples and much more! Sponsored by Chesterfield County Office of Virginia Cooperative Extension. Free admission. For information, call 804-751-4401.

JULY 2017

SUMMER DISCOVERY CAMPS AT MAYMONT

Throughout July and August

Nature calls! Maymont's wildly popular summer camps offer outdoor adventures, animal encounters, games, crafts and hands-on activities for young nature explorers ages 3 to 13. Fees vary. For a complete schedule of camps, visit maymont.org/summer-camps.

SPRING/SUMMER HOURS AT MAYMONT MANSION

Tuesday-Sunday through September 30, 11am-5pm

See April 1 listing. For information, call 804-358-7166, ext. 329.

Special Exhibition and Tours

NEW! OVER HERE: THE WWI HOME FRONT AT MAYMONT

Tuesdays-Sundays through October 31, 11am-5pm, Maymont Mansion

See April 4 listing. For information, call 804-358-7166, ext. 329.

ANIMAL ENCOUNTERS AT MAYMONT

Wednesday, July 5, 11am-12pm, Nature Center

See March 11 listing. Register online at maymont.org by July 3; for information, call 804-358-7168.

TEACHER WORKSHOP AT MAYMONT: PROJECT-BASED LEARNING

Thursday, July 6, 9am-4pm, Maymont Nature Center

Maymont invites 3rd-12th grade teachers to participate in this one day workshop on place-based, project-based learning opportunities. The workshop includes an environmental education project-based learning overview and three sessions on local environmental issues, Maymont's project-based learning programs, and the use of technology to record and submit real world scientific data. Teachers will receive well-developed project-based learning plans incorporating STEM, calendar of activities, Maymont staff consultation for teacher and students, field trip coordination and student projects supported by a driving question. Lunch is provided. Check with your school system to find out about recertification credit. \$110 early registration/\$150 after June 16. Register online at maymont.org; for information, call 804-358-7168.

THE SECRET LIFE OF A VICTORIAN HOUSE AT MAYMONT

Thursdays, July 6, 13, 20 & 27, 12:30-1:15pm, Maymont Mansion

See April 10 listing. For information, call 804-358-7166, ext. 329.

FAMILY SCAVENGER HUNT AT MAYMONT

Friday, July 7, 10am-12pm, Maymont Grounds

See April 10 listing. Register online at maymont.org by July 6; for information, call 804-358-7168.

MAYMONT GLOW!

Saturday, July 8, 7-10pm, Maymont Grounds

Bring your friends and family to this walk/run that shows Maymont in a trail of lights. We're opening the gates after hours to celebrate summer and Maymont. Families should come and get ready to glow in the dark. Festivities start at 7pm; the race gets underway at 8:30pm with prizes, a DJ spinning your favorite tunes and more. Participants receive a Maymont Glow! t-shirt and glow gear. Proceeds benefit Maymont. Visit maymontglow.com for information and registration.

TODDLER TIME: SUMMER FUN AT MAYMONT

Four-session program: Tuesdays, July 11, 18, 25 & August 1, 10-11am, Nature Center

Too much summer sun? Head over to the Maymont Nature Center for some indoor fun. Each session in this four-week program includes free play in the Discovery Room, a story, craft and a visit with one of Maymont's turtles, birds, insects or snakes. You and your toddler might even make a few new friends! Ages 1-4; adult must accompany child. \$36 per parent and child pair/\$29 members (includes all sessions and Nature Center admission). Space is limited. Register online at maymont.org by July 10; for information, call 804-358-7168.

SAMANTHA'S TEA PARTY AT MAYMONT

Thursday, July 20, 9am-12pm, Maymont Mansion and Grounds

The 1904 world of Samantha, a lively young American girl, comes to life during this delightful morning of old-fashioned games, exploring, carriage rides, a special tea party and more. Dolls are welcome, too! Meet at Maymont's Carriage House. Ages 7-11. \$27 per person/\$22 members. Register online at maymont.org by July 19; for information, call 804-358-7166, ext. 329.

EVENING BAT SEARCH AT MAYMONT

Friday, July 21, 8:30-9:30pm, Nature Center and Grounds

Learn about one of nature's most fascinating creatures on this summer night hike. Using spotlights and detectors, families will seek out these mysterious friends in the Maymont gardens. Ages 5 and older; adult must accompany child. \$8 per person/\$6 members. Register online at maymont.org by July 20; for information, call 804-358-7168.

AUGUST 2017

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THE SECRET LIFE OF A VICTORIAN HOUSE AT MAYMONT

Thursdays, August 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31, 12:30-1:15pm, Maymont Mansion

See April 10 listing. For information, call 804-358-7166, ext. 329.

RICHMOND JAZZ FESTIVAL AT MAYMONT

Presented by Altria

Saturday, August 12 & Sunday, August 13, Maymont Grounds (gates open at 11am)

One of the largest music festivals on the East Coast, the 8th Annual Richmond Jazz Festival at Maymont boasts a lineup of Grammy Award-winning international and national talent. For more information and tickets, visit jazzatmaymont.com. *Service animals only, please.*

ANIMAL ENRICHMENT AT MAYMONT

Wednesday, August 23, 11am to 12pm, the Farm Classroom

See April 11 listing. Register online at maymont.org by August 22; for information, call 804-358-7168.

FAMILY SCAVENGER HUNT AT MAYMONT

Friday, August 25, 10am-12pm, Maymont Grounds

See April 10 listing. Register online at maymont.org by August 24; for information, call 804-358-7168.