

# AWARD-WINNING INTERIOR DESIGNER THOMAS JAYNE WILL HEADLINE WINTERTHUR'S 52nd ANNUAL DELAWARE ANTIQUES SHOW NOVEMBER 6-8

*Architectural Digest* 2014 AD 100 Top Designer Will Join 60 Exceptional Dealers at Chase Center

**WILMINGTON, DELAWARE**—Described as a “mega decorator” by *The Wall Street Journal* and named to *Architectural Digest's* 2014 AD 100 Top Designers, award-winning interior designer Thomas Jayne will share his insights on contemporary design and decoration as the keynote speaker and honorary co-chair of Winterthur's 52nd Annual Delaware Antiques Show, November 6–8, 2015, at the Chase Center on the Riverfront, Wilmington, Delaware.

As one of the most highly acclaimed antiques shows in the nation, the Delaware Antiques Show will present a spectacular showcase of art, antiques, and design. Featuring the finest offerings from more than 60 distinguished antiques dealers, the show will highlight the best of American antiques and decorative arts. Celebrate the opening of the show with exclusive early shopping and cocktails at the Opening Night Party, Thursday, November 5, 5:00 – 9:00 pm.

“Thomas Jayne is truly one of Winterthur's own, having graduated from the master's program established by Henry Francis du Pont in partnership with the University of Delaware. In its 63 years, the Winterthur Program in American Material Culture has produced many of America's leading curators, academics, and museum directors. To that distinguished list may now be added one of America's top scholar decorators. More than any student before or since, Thomas Jayne absorbed far more than the academic curriculum. During his two years at Winterthur, Thomas seems to have channeled H.F. du Pont and absorbed his approach to color, decoration, and room arrangement. To put it simply, Thomas Jayne was learning everything we were not teaching! If H.F. du Pont were with us today, he would be in the front row for Thomas Jayne's lecture and nodding approvingly,” said J. Thomas Savage, Winterthur's Director of Museum Affairs.

After internships at Historic Deerfield, The Metropolitan Museum of Art, and The Getty Museum, he honed his design philosophy at two of America's most iconic design firms, Parish-Hadley and Associates, and Kevin McNamara, Inc.

“It is an honor and a privilege to serve as honorary co-chair and deliver the keynote lecture at the 2015 Delaware Antiques Show, benefiting one of this country's most important cultural institutions. I see myself as a scholar-decorator much as Henry Francis du Pont, the founder of Winterthur, saw the ideal curator as part decorator, part librarian,” Jayne said.

After delivering the keynote lecture at 10:00 am, Friday, November 6, Jayne will sign copies of his books *American Decoration: A Sense of Place* and *The Finest Rooms in America: Fifty Influential Interiors from the Eighteenth Century to the Present*.

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Winterthur—known worldwide for its preeminent collection of American decorative arts, naturalistic gardens, and research library for the study of American art and material culture—offers a variety of tours, exhibitions, programs, and activities throughout the year. General admission includes a tour of some of the most notable spaces in the 175-room house as well as access to the Winterthur Garden and Galleries, special exhibitions, a narrated tram tour (weather permitting), the Campbell Collection of Soup Tureens, and the Enchanted Woods children's garden. \$20 adults; \$18 for students and seniors; \$5 for ages 2–11.

## Museum hours

10 am- 5 pm, Tuesday- Sunday.

Winterthur, located on Route 52, six miles northwest of Wilmington, Delaware, and five miles south of U.S. Route 1, is closed on Mondays (except during Yuletide), Thanksgiving, and Christmas Day.

Winterthur is committed to accessible programming for all. For information, including special services, call 800.448.3883, 302.888.4600, or TTY 302.888.4907, or visit winterthur.org.



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His internationally acclaimed Jayne Design Studio, celebrating its 25th anniversary this year, has received a bevy of top awards including *Elle Décor's A-List* (since 2013), *Luxe Magazine's Gold List* 2014, *New York Spaces Top 50 Designers* (since 2009), 2014 Stanford White Award, 2013 Arthur Ross Award/Institute of Classical Architecture and Art, 2014 Pillar Award/Preservation League of New York, among others. In addition to the books he has authored, he writes a blog, *Decoration-AncientandModern.com*. The studio's work can be seen at [www.jaynedesignstudio.com](http://www.jaynedesignstudio.com).

The Delaware Antiques Show also will feature an inspiring loan exhibition from the Museum of the American Revolution, which houses an unparalleled collection of artifacts, weaponry, personal items, fine art, printed works, and manuscripts dating to the American Revolution. The loan exhibition will be on view throughout the show and is included in General Admission. It is sponsored by Haverford Quality Investing – The Haverford Trust Company.

Tickets are on sale now for the 52nd Annual Delaware Antiques Show. Tickets are valid for all three days and include special lectures on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday as well as the special exhibition. For more information or to purchase tickets online, visit [winterthur.org/das](http://winterthur.org/das) or call **800.448.3883**.

The Delaware Antiques Show is sponsored by Wilmington Trust.

### Opening Night Party

Thursday, November 5 – 5:00 – 9:00 pm

Sponsor: \$225 per person

Patron: \$175 per person

Young Collector: \$125 per person



### Keynote Lecture

Friday, November 6

10:00 am -- Thomas Jayne, "Stylishly Traditional: Celebrating Twenty-Five Years of Jayne Design Studio."

Book signing to follow lecture.

Sponsored by *Delaware Today* and *Main Line Today*.

### Weekend Lectures & Events

Saturday, November 7

2:00 pm -- Brock Jobe, "Collecting American Furniture within a Changing Marketplace"

### Winterthur Program in Early American Culture Presents Young Scholars

Sunday, November 8

2:00 pm -- Matthew Skic, "'Stand Fast in the Liberty': A Rare Waistcoat Belt" and Willie Granston, "Influences from Abroad: Biedermeier Chairs in a New York Town House"

Weekend lectures sponsored by *The Hunt*.

### Show Hours

Friday, November 6 -- 11:00 am – 7:00 pm

Saturday, November 7 – 11:00 am – 6:00 pm

Sunday, November 8 – 11:00 am – 5:00 pm

### General Admission

\$15 per person; \$13 Winterthur Members; children under 12 free. Tickets are valid for all three days of the show.

### Location

The Chase Center on the Riverfront is located at 815 Justison Street, Wilmington, Delaware, 19801. For directions, click on **Get Directions** or contact the Wilmington Riverfront Corporation at [riverfrontwilm.com](http://riverfrontwilm.com), **302.425.4890**.

For additional information and updates on the exciting line-up of features at this year's Delaware Antiques Show, please visit [www.winterthur.org/das](http://www.winterthur.org/das) or call **800.448.3883**.

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