CELEBRATE SPRING IN THE WINTERTHUR GARDEN AND IN REVELATORY EXHIBITION MADE IN THE AMERICAS: THE NEW WORLD DISCOVERS ASIA

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE—With spring in the air, the doors of Winterthur Museum, Garden & Library are open for a season of exciting garden and other programming plus a major exhibition – Made in the Americas: The New World Discovers Asia – the first large-scale Pan-American exhibition to examine the profound influence of Asia on the arts of the colonial Americas.

Up first is Bank to Bend Day on March 12, an annual celebration of Winterthur’s magnificent March Bank display of early yellow, white, purple, and lavender bulbs and perennials. Featuring tours, a workshop, and all-day sales of rare and unusual plants celebrating the early flowers of the March Bank, this popular event also will include the lecture “Snowdrops at Colesbourne, Gloucestershire.” Colesbourne’s Lady Carolyn Elwes will share the remarkable story of how a garden of private obsession grew into “England’s greatest snowdrop garden,” one of undisputed international importance. Registration is required. $10 per Member, $20 per nonmember, and free to Garden and Landscape Society Members.

A favorite among children, Daffodil Day returns on April 16 with kids’ crafts, tours, and the popular daffodil show.

Azaleas and Bluebells Day on May 7 celebrates the extraordinary colors of Winterthur’s azaleas and bluebells with guided and self-guided tours. Plant sales and tea will be available as well.

Peonies and Primroses Day on May 15 features tours of the garden’s lovely peonies and primroses, a lecture by Paul Meyer, the F. Otto Haas Executive Director of the Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania, and plant sales.

Garden Walks (and one demonstration) during Wednesdays at Winterthur are at 11:30 am every Wednesday in April and May, and at 1:00 pm on the second Saturdays of April and May. The Garden Walks include:
- “Snowdrops and Other Minor Bulbs” (March 12)
- “Growing in the Winterthur Greenhouses” (April 6)
- “Winterhazels and Early Azaleas” (April 9)
- “Spring Ephemerals of Azalea Woods” (April 13)
- “H. F. du Pont and His Private Golf Course” (April 27)
- “Minor Bulbs in the Garden” (May 4)
- “Azaleas of Winterthur” (May 11)
- “Azaleas and Spring Wildflowers” (May 14)
- “Peonies” (May 18), and
- “Fabulous Ferns” (May 25).

“Garden Demonstration: Container Gardening Made Easy” will be held April 20 in lieu of a Garden Walk, but participants are welcome to tour the Winterthur Garden at their leisure.

“Brushes with History,” March 19 and May 14. Participants will enjoy an adventuresome morning of garden tours, mimosas, and painting. After a short tour of the garden, an instructor will lead attendees in creating a painting inspired by the March Bank on March 19, and by Winterthur’s azaleas on May 14. Both programs begin at 10:00 am and cost $40 for Members, $45 for nonmembers.

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On March 26, Winterthur will open an unprecedented exhibition examining the profound influence of Asia on the arts of the colonial Americas. *Made in the Americas: The New World Discovers Asia* runs through January 8, 2017. Featuring some of the most extraordinary objects produced in the Americas, this seminal exhibition explores how craftsmen across North, Central, and South America adapted Asian styles in furniture, silverwork, textiles, ceramics, and painting. Exquisite objects from Mexico City, Lima, Quito, Boston, New York, and Philadelphia, dating from the 17th to the early 19th centuries include folding screens made in Mexico to imitate Japanese and Chinese screens, blue and white talavera ceramics copied from Chinese porcelains, and luxuriously woven textiles made to replicate fine silks and cottons imported from China and India, among the exhibition's many marvels.

**Exciting musical evenings, cuisine celebrations, guided gallery walks, and more are designed to enhance visitors’ enjoyment of Made in the Americas:**

- **Guided Gallery Walks** are scheduled every weekend of the exhibition at 11:30 am, 1:00 pm, and 2:00 pm.
- **Hands on History Cart** will explore themes from the exhibition from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm on Saturdays.
- **Themed “pop-up shop”** is open 10:00 am to 4:00 pm, April 1-3.
- **“Taste of the Americas,” April 3.** This all-new gastronomic adventure celebrates the cuisine of Mexico, Peru, Canada, and the United States. The $45 adult “Passport” features samples of all three items from each gourmet station, and the $30 junior Passport features one item from each station. Members receive a 10 percent discount. Soft drinks are included. Beer, wine, and specialty cocktails are available for purchase. “Taste of the Americas” opens at 11:00 am and closes at 3:00 pm. Garden and Galleries admission is not included.
- **Winterthur After Hours during Wednesdays at Winterthur.** On these special Wednesday evenings celebrating *Made in the Americas*, the Galleries building will be open late for leisurely strolls through the exhibition complemented by an eclectic mix of international music, wine and food tastings, and presenters in the Galleries Atrium and grand Stair Hall. For purchase, Winterthur will serve snacks as well as cocktails, wine, and beer to complement the live entertainment. Join us in celebrating the cultural diversity of this exhibition! $8 per Member. $8 upcharge per nonmember with a general admission ticket. Members receive a 10 percent discount. Soft drinks are included. Beer, wine, and specialty cocktails are available for purchase. “Taste of the Americas” opens at 11:00 am and closes at 3:00 pm. Garden and Galleries admission is not included.

- **April 6**
  - **Music: Los Monstros, 6:00 – 8:00 pm.** Winterthur’s Galleries Atrium will come alive with the sounds of Los Monstros, a versatile, multiethnic combination of musicians who are dedicated to embracing the roots of the Latin/tropical sound, while also highlighting the fusion of the traditional into more contemporary, popular American, and Jazz music styles. They provide a multicultural experience that is appropriate for all ages, genders, and ethnicities. In short, there’s a bit of familiarity for everyone.
  - **Wine Tasting: The Wine & Spirit Company of Greenville, 5:30 – 8:00 pm.** Adjacent the festive sounds of Los Monstros, the Wine & Spirit Company is hosting a wine tasting in the Galleries Stair Hall featuring an eclectic array of beverages to pair with and enhance South American and Asian cuisine, including alsace gewürztraminer, German dornfelder, Belgian wit, a Spanish sparkling rose, and a manzanilla sherry. The Wine & Spirit Company of Greenville is an independently owned business featuring one of the most complete selections of wine, spirits, and beer in the region. Established brands, new offerings, and special selections are augmented by single barrel offerings chosen by the shop’s skilled staff. New craft beers are available weekly, and wines are all tasted by advisors to determine suitable stock for their loyal customers’ tastes.

- **April 13**
  - **Music: Minas, 6:00 – 8:00 pm.** Minas creators Orlando Haddad and Patricia King perform original music that is evocative and imaginative. Minas’s versatility, from duo to ensemble, to orchestra and big band, has placed Minas in high demand. Enjoy the sounds of Brazilian and American roots and the fresh and innovative ballads of blues, choro, and folk as well as bossa nova pulses and upbeat sambas. In the Galleries Atrium.

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- Wine Tasting: Collier’s of Centreville, 5:30 – 8:00 pm. Adjacent the evocative sounds of Minas, Collier’s of Centreville is hosting a wine tasting in the Galleries Stair Hall. Their selection of wines will focus on the enhancement of Asia’s spicy cuisine as well as carmeneres from Chile, pinot noirs from Argentina, Spanish cavas, gruners, and rieslings. Collier’s was founded in November 1981 by Linda Collier upon her return from six years in Europe, fulfilling her desire to offer the local community a worthy wine shop. Collier’s is a unique source for wine lovers looking for something beyond package store labels. Wines from all over the world are represented and personally tasted by Linda before being accepted into the eclectic inventory. With prices ranging from $10–$1,000, you will always find a wine to suit both your palate and your pocket. The shop offers public, private, and in-shop wine tastings to enhance enjoyment and expand wine knowledge and appreciation of this beautiful beverage.

April 20
New Offering! Pay What You Wish Admission, featuring:
- Music and Dance Demonstration: Suspiro Flamenco by Liliana Ruiz, 6:00 – 8:00 pm. Liliana Ruiz was born in Mexico City where she started to study ballet and began her study of Spanish and flamenco dance, inspired by her family’s deep-rooted passion for the arts. She has studied Spanish dances and flamenco in Mexico, Spain, and the United States. In the Galleries Atrium.
- Food Sampling: Small Bites by Restaurant Associates, 5:30 – 8:00 pm. Take your taste buds on a flavor-filled journey through the Americas. Enjoy an assortment of “small bites” showcasing the culinary influences of Asia on North, Central, and South American fare in Winterthur’s Rotunda.

April 27
- Music: Harvey Price Quartet, 6:00 – 8:00 pm. Featuring multi-instrumentalist Maria Rusu on vocals, the Harvey Price Quartet performs jazz standards from the American Song Book as well as Latin and Brazilian standards sung in Portuguese. Harvey Price is featured as part of the Philly Vibe Duo every Wednesday evening from 5:30–8:30 pm at Victor’s Bar and restaurant at 21st and Chestnut streets in downtown Philadelphia. In the Galleries Atrium.
- Food Sampling: Small Bites by Restaurant Associates, 5:30 – 8:00 pm. Take your taste buds on a flavor-filled journey through the Americas in Winterthur’s Rotunda, adjacent the performance by Harvey Price Quartet. Enjoy an assortment of “small bites” showcasing the culinary influences of Asia on North, Central, and South American fare.
- Lecture: “Living and Teaching in China: Experiences of a Winterthur Conservator at the Forbidden City,” 6:00 pm. Join Dwight and Lorri Lannon Director of Academic Affairs Gregory Landrey and his wife Lynne Landrey as they share their experience of living in Beijing for four months in 2014 and 2015 while Gregory was teaching furniture conservation at the CRAFT training program at the Forbidden City in Beijing, China. The presentation will include insight into historic preservation in China, teaching in a changing-yet-traditional Chinese environment, and living in one of the world’s largest cities.

During Winterthur After Hours, the Museum Store will be open until 8:00 pm with 10 percent off purchases from 5:30–8:00 pm. The Winterthur Bookstore will close at 5:30 pm.

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May
38th Annual Point-to-Point, May 8. Winterthur’s 38th Annual Point-to-Point, 11:00 am to 4:00 pm on May 8, is a festive day of professional horse racing, family fun, and elegant tailgating. Activities include pony rides, stick horse races, Winterthur Hunt, face painting, and canine-friendly activities.

Winterthur Invitational Historic Autos Display. Magnificent historic autos will be displayed from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm every Saturday in May. Weekly themes are “Ten Years of Excellence” on May 7, “American Pre-war Luxury Brands, from Packard to Cadillac” on May 14, “The Personal Automobiles of Ruth Wales and Henry Francis du Pont” on May 21,” and “Cars of the 1950s” on May 28.

For more details and information on these and other attractions at Winterthur, please visit winterthur.org or call 800.448.3883.

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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. Tickets are valid for two consecutive days.

Museum hours are 10:00 am to 5:00 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 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 or 302.888.4600, or visit Winterthur.org.