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Winterthur's Copeland Lecture Hall Refurbished

Winterthur, DE, April 11, 2018—Visitors to Winterthur's upcoming lectures, will be among the first to enjoy the newly renovated Copeland Lecture Hall. The renovations were funded by Pierre du P. and Martina C. Hayward. Mr. Hayward is a trustee of longstanding and currently serves as vice-chairman of the board. The Haywards also funded the Garden Internship program as part of their commitment to the *Campaign for Winterthur*.

The renovations include new carpeting, new seats, enhanced lighting, and painting. These renovations follow the recent additions of upgraded high definition projector, screen and sound system improvements. The Pamela and Lammot du Pont Copeland Lecture Hall was dedicated in 1966 by Winterthur founder Henry Francis du Pont. The Copelands, who each served on the Board of Trustees, were major benefactors to Winterthur as well as close family friends. The naming of the Copeland Lecture Hall was a thank you to the Copelands for their longstanding support for Winterthur. Since its opening, Copeland Lecture Hall has hosted countless lectures, film screenings, conferences, and performances.

Winterthur will offer two lectures in Copeland Lecture Hall in April.

"Bunny Mellon: The Life of an American Icon"

Sunday, April 15, 1:00 pm

New York Times bestselling author Meryl Gordon explores the subject of her recent book, *Bunny Mellon*. Socialite and passionate gardener, Mellon's social circle included presidents,

movie stars, and royalty. She is perhaps best known for her redesign of the White House Rose Garden at John F. Kennedy's request. \$15 (Members \$10).

“Follies in the Landscape: A Search for the Spirit of Place”

Saturday, April 21, 2:00 pm

Join us for a lecture by John Dixon Hunt, emeritus professor of The History and Theory of Landscape at the University of Pennsylvania, then enjoy a walk or tram ride through the Winterthur Garden and experience Winterthur's first landscape exhibition, *Follies: Architectural Whimsy in the Garden*. \$20 (Members \$10).

Tickets for the lectures may be purchased online at winterthur.org or by calling 800.448.3883

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. Admission costs \$20 for adults; \$18 for students and seniors; and \$6 for ages 2–11. Group rates available. For details, visit winterthur.org or call 800.448.3883.

Winterthur is open 10 a.m.–5 p.m., Tuesday–Sunday, and is located on Route 52, six miles northwest of Wilmington, Delaware, and five miles south of U.S. Route 1. Closed on Mondays, Thanksgiving, and Christmas Day. Nestled in the heart of Delaware's beautiful Brandywine Valley, midway between New York City and Washington, D.C., Winterthur is located minutes from Longwood Gardens and other Brandywine Valley attractions—including world-class museums, gardens, and historic sites—as well as wineries, hotels, and restaurants.

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