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Relax with Soothing Sunday Teas at Green Spring this Summer

Fill a Sunday with tea and history each month this summer at Historic Green Spring.

On June 26, 2016, artist and collector Caroline Hottenstein comes to the historic house at Green Spring Gardens with a display of lace items and lace-making tools from 1 to 3 p.m. Learn how this luxury fabric has been used as a fashion adornment for centuries, and hear about the origins of lace and its unlikely history. View slides of famous women resplendent in lace. The cost is \$42 for the program and a traditional English tea, or \$15 for the program only.

On July 17, souvenirs take center stage at the historic house. See knickknacks and sentimental mementos collected on vacations past to keep memories alive. Discover the origins of “tourist art” and consider souvenirs from ancient relics and keepsakes to t-shirts and key chains as historical storytellers. Of course, you’ll get a souvenir of Historic Green Spring to preserve this moment in your history. The program from 1 to 3 p.m. is \$32 per person.

If you won’t be at the beach in August, return to Green Spring for a program on the Victorian Seaside from 1 to 3 p.m. on August 7. Victorians flocked to the seaside for day trips and holidays, but how did the proper Victorian lady preserve respectability at the beach? Learn about Victorian seaside attractions and entertainments, and the bizarre inventions, regulations and fashions designed to preserve 19th century notions of modesty. The cost is \$32 per person.

All of the tea programs are for adults, and advance reservations are required.

Green Spring Gardens is located at 4603 Green Spring Rd., Alexandria, VA. For more information, call 703-941-7987 or visit <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/greenspring/>.

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