

# 2023-2024 MONDAY PROGRAMS



Ari Shapiro



Betsy Griffith



*Photo by Allen Jones*

David Baldacci



Justice Cleo E. Powell



Allison Gilbert

## OCTOBER 2023

OCT. 2	Ari Shapiro (Members Only) ✽ Journalism <b>FROM NPR TO PINK MARTINI: MEETING THE BEST PEOPLE ALONG THE WAY</b>
OCT. 9	TOPGUN Panel ✽ Aviation <b>TOPGUN: WOMEN IN FLIGHT</b>
OCT. 16	Martha Raddatz ✽ Global Affairs <b>THE LONG ROAD HOME: LEGACY OF THE IRAQ WAR</b>
OCT. 23	Kendall Brown ✽ Gardening/Landscaping <b>SPLENDOR IN THE JAPANESE GARDEN</b>
OCT. 30	Alex Hitz ✽ Creative Entertaining <b>THE VERY BEST HOST IN THE WORLD</b>

## FEBRUARY 2024

FEB. 5	Lynette L. Allston ✽ Culture <b>CONNECTING ART, HISTORY, AND CULTURE</b>
FEB. 12	Sylvia Buffington Lester ✽ Forensic Science <b>FASCINATING FINGERPRINT FACTS IN FORENSICS</b>
FEB. 19	Tracey Gendron ✽ Health <b>AGING UNBOUND</b>
FEB. 26	Allison Gilbert ✽ Journalism <b>ELSIE EMBRACES RESILIENCE TO RISE ABOVE GRIEF AND ADVERSITY, TO THRIVE AND TO BE HAPPY AGAIN</b>

## NOVEMBER 2023

NOV. 6	Elisabeth Griffith, Ph.D. ✽ History <b>ENGAGING AND ENRAGING: THE FORMIDABLE WOMEN WHO FOUGHT FOR EQUAL RIGHT</b>
NOV. 13	Libby Copeland ✽ Science <b>UNANTICIPATED CONSEQUENCES AND REVEALED SECRETS: HOW DNA TESTING HAS CHANGED OUR UNDERSTANDING OF OURSELVES</b>
NOV. 20	David Baldacci ✽ Literature <b>DAVID BALDACCI: TALES FROM THE ROAD</b>

## MARCH 2024

MAR. 4	Andrew Och ✽ Culture and History <b>FIRST LADIES: INFLUENCE &amp; IMAGE</b>
MAR. 11	Robert D. Williams ✽ Global Affairs <b>FLASHPOINTS IN U.S. – CHINA RELATIONS</b>
MAR. 19	Richard Conti ✽ Science <b>CHANGING PERSPECTIVE WITH SCIENCE</b>
MAR. 25	Virginia Christian Beach ✽ History <b>MIDDLETON PLACE: AN AGELESS LOVE AFFAIR</b>

## JANUARY 2024

JAN. 8	Lee Smith ✽ Literature <b>THE INIMITABLE LEE SMITH: A LIFE IN STORIES</b>
JAN. 15	Justice Cleo E. Powell ✽ Law <b>KEEPING THE DREAM ALIVE</b>
JAN. 22	Garrett Graff ✽ Science <b>UFO: THE INSIDE STORY OF THE U.S. GOVERNMENT'S SEARCH FOR ALIENS HERE-AND OUT THERE</b>
JAN. 29	William E. Pommeranz, M.Sc., J.D., Ph.D. ✽ Global Affairs <b>DISQUIET ON THE WESTERN FRONT</b>

## APRIL 2024

APR. 8	Tara M. Rigler ✽ Technology <b>ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE: THE GOOD, THE BAD, AND THE UGLY</b>
APR. 15	Caroline Gidere ✽ Interior Design <b>A CURATED LIFE</b>



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# 2023-2024 SPECIAL EVENTS

## AUGUST 2023

WEDNESDAY AUG. 30 **WINE AND CHEESE RECEPTION FOR INTERMEDIATE MEMBERS**  
4:30 p.m. - 6 p.m. \* Free/Intermediate Members

## SEPTEMBER 2023

WEDNESDAY SEP. 13 **TOUR OF RICHMOND SYMPHONY LEAGUE DESIGNER HOUSE (MEMBERS ONLY)**  
10 a.m. \* \$35/Members

WEDNESDAY SEP. 20 **TOUR OF RICHMOND SYMPHONY LEAGUE DESIGNER HOUSE (MEMBERS ONLY)**  
10 a.m. \* \$35/Members

WEDNESDAY SEP. 27 **GARDEN CLUB OF AMERICA ZONE VII FLOWER SHOW: EBB & FLOW**  
10 a.m. - 3 p.m. \* Free/Members and Nonmembers

## OCTOBER 2023

MONDAY OCT. 2 **MEMBER LUNCHEON AT THE COMMONWEALTH CLUB (MEMBERS ONLY)**  
12 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. \* \$45/Members

WEDNESDAY OCT. 4 **TOUR OF RICHMOND SYMPHONY LEAGUE DESIGNER HOUSE (MEMBERS ONLY)**  
10 a.m. \* \$35/Members

MONDAY OCT. 9 **BECOME A MEMBER LUNCHEON**  
12 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. \* \$30/Member and 1 Nonmember Guest, \$15/Each Additional Nonmember Guest

WEDNESDAY OCT. 18 **NOT YOUR TYPICAL MUSEUM: I SPY A FUN DAY TRIP!**  
7 a.m. - 5 p.m. \* \$130/Members, \$140/Nonmembers

THURSDAY OCT. 26 **GALA: BREWS, BOURBON & BLUES**  
5:30 p.m. - 9 p.m. \* \$125/person

## NOVEMBER 2023

WEDNESDAY NOV. 1 **RENAISSANCE WOMEN ARTISTS/INFLUENCERS OF THE 16TH AND 17TH CENTURIES**  
12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. \* Free/Members and Nonmembers

WEDNESDAY NOV. 8 **HOLIDAY SPIRITS – MIXOLOGY DEMONSTRATION**  
4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. \* \$40/Members, \$50/Nonmembers

WEDNESDAY NOV. 15 **A GRAVEYARD FOR SHIPS**  
12:30 p.m. - 2 p.m. \* \$5/Members and Non-members

WEDNESDAY NOV. 29 **BOOK DISCUSSION: “THE DEVIL’S HALF-ACRE: THE UNTOLD STORY OF HOW ONE WOMAN LIBERATED THE SOUTH’S MOST NOTORIOUS SLAVE JAIL,” BY KRISTIN GREEN**  
12:30 p.m. \* Free/Members and Nonmembers

## DECEMBER 2023

MONDAY DEC. 4 **HOLIDAY RECEPTION (MEMBERS ONLY)**  
2 p.m. - 4 p.m. \* Free/Members

## JANUARY 2024

MONDAY JAN. 8 **MEMBER LUNCHEON AT THE COMMONWEALTH CLUB (MEMBERS ONLY)**  
12 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. \* \$45/Members

WEDNESDAY JAN. 10 **WRAPPING OUR SENIORS UP WITH LOVE; HOW CAREGIVERS, BANKERS, AND LAW ENFORCEMENT CAN PREVENT ELDER FINANCIAL ABUSE**  
12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. \* Free/Members and Nonmembers

WEDNESDAY JAN. 17 **FIELD TRIP: CHRYSLER MUSEUM AND THE WOMAN’S CLUB OF NORFOLK**  
7 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. \* \$110/Members, \$120/Nonmembers

WEDNESDAY JAN. 24 **LET’S TALK POLITICS AND LUNCH**  
12 p.m. - 2 p.m. \* \$40/Members; \$45/Nonmembers

WEDNESDAY JAN. 31 **“GETTING TO KNOW YOU” GAME PLAY**  
1 p.m. - 3 p.m. \* \$25/MEMBERS, \$35/Nonmembers

## FEBRUARY 2024

MONDAY FEB. 12 **BECOME A MEMBER LUNCHEON**  
11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. \* \$30/Member and 1 Nonmember Guest, \$15/Each Additional Nonmember Guest

WEDNESDAY FEB. 14 **EASY PEASY SCONES AND BISCOTTI CLASS**  
10 a.m. \* \$95/Members, \$105/Nonmembers

WEDNESDAY FEB. 28 **THE AGE OF INNOCENCE: HEARTBREAK, DRAMA, AND SCANDAL IN THE GILDED AGE**  
1 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. \* \$30/Members, \$40/Nonmembers

## MARCH 2024

EVERY WEDNESDAY IN MARCH **WELLNESS WEDNESDAYS: YOGA AT THE WOMAN’S CLUB (MEMBERS ONLY)**  
12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. \* \$10/Member

THURSDAY MAR. 28 **JULIA CHILD: A RECIPE FOR LIFE-EXHIBITION AT THE VIRGINIA MUSEUM OF HISTORY AND CULTURE**  
5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. \* \$60/Members, \$65/Nonmembers

## APRIL 2024

WEDNESDAY APR. 3 **CARYTOWN DESSERT TOUR**  
1 p.m. - 3 p.m. \* \$55/Members, \$65/Nonmembers

MONDAY APR. 8 **BECOME A MEMBER LUNCHEON**  
12 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. \* \$30/Member and 1 Nonmember Guest, \$15/Each Additional Nonmember Guest

WEDNESDAY APR. 10 **BOOK DISCUSSION: “THE LITTLE LIAR: A NOVEL” BY MITCH ALBOM**  
12:30 p.m. \* Free/Members and Nonmembers

MONDAY APR. 29 **ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING AND LUNCHEON (MEMBERS ONLY)**  
12:15 p.m. \* \$35/Members