

# VMI FA

VIRGINIA MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS



## Artistic Legacies & Splendid Estates of the Hudson Valley

September 26 – 30, 2022

## HIGHLIGHTS

**JOIN** a private curator-led tour of Kykuit, the extravagantly landscaped home to generations of the Rockefeller family, which features stately gardens and Nelson Rockefeller's collection of modern sculptures by Louise Nevelson and Henry Moore

**DELVE** into the legacy of the Hudson River School art movement, with behind-the-scenes tours of the Thomas Cole House, the art-filled 19th-century home and studio of the movement's founder; and a visit to the exquisitely well-preserved, Moorish Oriental-style Olana, former home of landscape painter Frederic Edwin Church

**DISCOVER** the Hudson Valley's wealth of brilliant contemporary art, including an exclusive curator-led perusal of the Storm King Art Center's outdoor sculptures and site-specific commissions, which highlight major artists of the 20th century and emerging artists of the 21st century

**ADMIRE** the treasures of an American political dynasty, the Roosevelts, with a curator-led visit to President Franklin Delano Roosevelt's beloved home, Springwood

**SAVOR** the opulent Beaux Arts architecture of the Gilded Age on a private tour of the palatial Vanderbilt Mansion in Hyde Park, which houses thousands of objects from antiquity to the 19th century

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Dear Friends,

As splendid fall foliage appears in 2022, you're invited to join the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts on an art-focused trip to New York's historic Hudson Valley. Just a short drive from Manhattan, experience dramatic river vistas, marvelous food and wine, gorgeous gardens, and charming villages. Over four nights, enjoy a behind-the-scenes look at the Hudson Valley's most extraordinary art collections, and admire the private estates of American dynasties.

Begin with exclusive tours of extraordinary 19th-century homes, including the sumptuous 1851 villa of artist and inventor Samuel F. B. Morse. On a private tour in Hyde Park, explore the Vanderbilts' Gilded Age mansion, which houses vast collections of art masterworks and ancient treasures. Nearby, join a curator for an exclusive inside look at Springwood, President Franklin Delano Roosevelt's birthplace and lifelong home.

In the mid-19th century, America's first major art movement, the Hudson River School of artists, emerged in this region. Marvel at the eclectic homes and private collections these artists left behind. With a curator, explore the landscape paintings of Frederic Edwin Church within his exotic former residence, Olana, and tour the art-filled home and studio of Hudson River School founder Thomas Cole.

Then, discover why this region has evolved into a showcase of contemporary American art. Take an expert-guided tour of the Storm King Art Center, whose outdoor installations include works by Alexander Calder, Mark di Suvero, and Richard Serra. A wonderful highlight will be a private, curator-led tour of Kykuit, home to generations of the Rockefeller family, featuring Nelson Rockefeller's collection of modern sculptures.

I hope you join us on this exciting exploration of art, history, and landscapes amid the colorful fall foliage of the Hudson Valley.

With warm regards,



Adele "Hutch" Livingston

VMFA Coordinator of Member Travel



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Boscobel

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26: DEPARTURE / NEW YORK, NEW YORK / HUDSON VALLEY

Depart by air or train for New York City. Gather with fellow travelers to head north to Boscobel, the elegant 1808 Federal mansion of a famed American Loyalist named States Dyckman. Savor lunch there, followed by a tour of its important collection of Federal period furniture and decorative arts. Continue to Locust Grove, an 1851 Italianate villa designed by Alexander Jackson Davis for artist and telegraph inventor Samuel F. B. Morse. After a welcome dinner featuring the local produce and wines of the region, transfer to Rhinebeck and check in at the Mirbeau Inn & Spa, your home for the next four nights. L,D

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27: HUDSON VALLEY

This morning, stroll amidst the splendor of the Gilded Age at the Vanderbilt Mansion in Hyde Park. Lunch is at the Culinary Institute of America, which has set the standard for excellence in professional culinary education for more than six decades. Later drive to Springwood, the Roosevelt mansion in Hyde Park. Enjoy dinner at leisure in Rhinebeck. B,L



Vanderbilt Mansion, Hyde Park

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28: HUDSON VALLEY

Today is devoted to the historic Upper Hudson Valley. Begin with a tour of Olana, former home of Frederic Edwin Church, a renowned painter and member of the Hudson River School. Church selected Calvert Vaux to design this distinctive home's mix of Victorian architectural elements and Middle Eastern decorative motifs. Enjoy lunch on your own at a café in Hudson, followed by free time to explore the town. In the afternoon, see artist Thomas Cole's former residence on a tour of Cedar Grove. B,D



Olana



Interior, Cedar Grove

Union Church of Pocantico Hills

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29: HUDSON VALLEY**

This morning, visit Edgewater, built in 1824. Now a private residence with an excellent art collection, this classical mansion is furnished with masterpieces by New York cabinetmakers Duncan Phyfe and Charles-Honoré Lannuier. Cross the Hudson to Storm King Art Center. Delight in a guided tour of its outdoor sculptures and site-specific commissions by dozens of artists including Alexander Calder, Mark di Suvero, and Richard Serra. Attend a festive farewell dinner this evening. B,L,D

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30: HUDSON VALLEY / RETURN**

Depart this morning for a private curatorial tour of Kykuit, the stunning hilltop home to four generations of the Rockefeller family. Admire its extensive art collections and picturesque gardens overlooking the Hudson River. Conclude at Union Church of Pocantico Hills, with its stained glass windows by Henri Matisse and Marc Chagall. Return to Manhattan in the late afternoon. B,L

*This itinerary is subject to change at the discretion of the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts and Arrangements Abroad. For complete details, please carefully read the terms and conditions at [www.arrangementsabroad.com/terms](http://www.arrangementsabroad.com/terms).*

**ACCOMMODATIONS**



The Mirbeau Inn & Spa, Rhinebeck



Storm King Art Center

**THE MIRBEAU INN & SPA, RHINEBECK**

Balancing wellness with indulgence, the Mirbeau combines Old World Parisian chic with modern comforts. This hotel employs upgraded health and safety measures to provide for your comfortable and secure stay. Enjoy accommodations in their Signature Rooms, with a variety of features including a fireplace and a large bathroom equipped with a walk-in shower, soaking tub, and double sinks. Relax in the spa, with its aqua terrace and 12 treatment rooms in the lower level. This hotel's location is in the heart of Rhinebeck and within walking distance of numerous shops and restaurants.



View from Boscobel

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RESERVATION FORM**

**PROGRAM RATE**

**\$3,999 per person, double rate**

**\$4,899 single rate**

**RATE INCLUDES**

- Four nights accommodations as per itinerary
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary (B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner). Bottled water, soft drinks, juices, and coffee/tea with all meals; house wine at welcome and farewell dinners
- Enrichment program of lectures and talks
- Escorted sightseeing by private motor coach and entrance fees for included visits
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**NOT INCLUDED IN RATE** Airfare; meals not specified; alcoholic beverages other than noted in inclusions; personal items and expenses; airport transfers; excess baggage; trip insurance; any other items not specifically mentioned as included.

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