

## **LIFE, LOVE, AND LETTERS:**

**Exploring the written worlds of John Adams, Abigail Adams, and Thomas Jefferson**

### **THURSDAY, JULY 22**

**5:00 - 7:00** Social Hour and Dinner

**7:00 - 7:30** Orientation

**8:00 - 10:00** Video: *The Adams Chronicles* (selected scenes)

### **FRIDAY, JULY 23**

**9:00 - 12:00** Discussion: Love, Family, and a Revolution. Focus: Letters of John and Abigail Adams, 1763-1789.

**12:00 - 1:00** Lunch

**1:00 - 5:00** Reading: (Letters of Thomas Jefferson to Maria Cosway, Martha Jefferson, Peter Carr, Thomas Mann Randolph; selected Adams-Jefferson correspondence, 1785-1788).

**5:30 - 7:30** Social Hour and Dinner

**8:00 - 9:30** Film: *Jefferson in Paris*

### **SATURDAY, JULY 24**

**9:00 - 12:00** Discussion: The Heart, the Head, and Happiness. Focus: Letters of Thomas Jefferson to Maria Cosway, Martha Jefferson, Peter Carr, Thomas Mann Randolph; selected Adams-Jefferson correspondence, 1785-1788.

**12:00 - 1:00** Lunch

**1:00 - 4:30** Reading: Selected Adams-Jefferson correspondence, 1804-1826

**5:00** Excursion to Glimmerglass Opera for dinner and Opera: [\*The Mines of Sulphur\*](#)

### **SUNDAY, JULY 25**

**9:00 - 12:00** Discussion: Repairing friendships, constructing legacies. Focus: Selected Adams-Jefferson correspondence, 1804-1826

**12:00** Closing Lunch

#### **Reading List:**

The Adams-Jefferson Letters, edited by Lestor J. Cappon (University of NC Press)

The Letters of John and Abigail Adams, edited by Frank Shuffleton (Penguin books).