

2017

MESDA Furniture Seminar

Friendly Furniture:

Identifying the Quaker Cabinetmakers of Early America

Friday, March 24

11:30 a.m. –
12:30 p.m.

Seminar Registration
Frank L. Horton Museum Center,
924 S. Main Street,
Winston Salem, North Carolina

12:30 p.m.

Welcome and Introductions
James A. Gray, Jr. Auditorium, Old Salem Visitor Center,
900 Old Salem Road,
Winston Salem, North Carolina

1:00 –
5:30 p.m.

Small Group Sessions
Participants will rotate through all three workshops:

- Newport, Rhode Island Carving Session –
Mary May, Charleston, South Carolina.
- Coastal Carolina Quaker Carving Session –
Ben Hobbs, Hertford, North Carolina.
- Quaker Furniture in the MESDA Collection: A Close Examination

5:30 p.m.

Libations
Old Salem Visitor Center,
900 Old Salem Road,
Winston Salem, North Carolina

6:00 p.m.

Dinner
James A. Gray, Jr. Auditorium, Old Salem Visitor Center

7:00 p.m.

Keynote Lecture
Faith and Family Intertwined: The Townsend and Goddard Workshops of Newport, Rhode Island. *Dennis Carr*, Carolyn and Peter Lynch Curator of American Decorative Arts and Sculpture, Museum of Fine Art Boston, Boston, Massachusetts.

Saturday, March 25

10:00 a.m.

Superfluity and Excess?: Quakers and their Furniture in Early Philadelphia. *Alexandra Kirtley*, The Montgomery-Garvan Curator of American Decorative Arts at Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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- 10:45 a.m. **Inlaid Quaker Furniture of Southeastern Pennsylvania.** *Lisa Minardi*, Assistant Curator, Winterthur Museum, Garden & Library, Winterthur, Delaware.
- 11:30 a.m. **COFFEE BREAK**
- 12:00 Noon **Friends in High Places: Quaker Furniture Makers in Virginia's Northern Shenandoah Valley.** *Nick Powers*, Curator of Collections, Museum of the Shenandoah Valley, Winchester, Virginia.
- 12:45 p.m. **LUNCH**
- 1:45 p.m. **Faith, Family, and Friends: The Quaker Furniture of North Carolina's Cane Creek Settlement.** *June Lucas*, Director of Research, Old Salem Museums and Gardens, Winston Salem, North Carolina.
- 2:30 p.m. **AFTERNOON BREAK**
- 3:00 p.m. **Friendly Furniture: The Quaker Cabinetmakers of Guilford County, North Carolina, 1775-1825.** *Robert Leath*, Chief Curator, Vice President Collections & Research, Old Salem Museums and Gardens, Winston Salem, North Carolina.