

# FALL CRAWL 2022 Colonial Williamsburg\*

\*Please note this trip is strictly a walking tour around Colonial Williamsburg.

## WHEN: Thursday, September 29, 2022 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. \*\*Bus departs from <u>old</u> HCC visitor lot off Gaskins Rd. <u>promptly at 8:00 a.m.</u>

WHO: HCC&M Volunteers, Members, Friends & Potential Volunteers (great way to introduce them to HCC&M)

### WHERE: Bray School

Established at the suggestion of Benjamin Franklin, the Bray School educated enslaved and free blacks in Williamsburg from 1760-1774. At one point the school enrolled 33 students under the tutelage of Ann Wager. Dendrochronology undertaken in 2020 by Colonial Williamsburg confirmed that the small white building on the campus of William and Mary was the Bray School.

#### First Baptist Church

Formed secretly in 1776 on the outskirts of Williamsburg, the congregation by 1781 had organized as Baptists under Reverend Gowan Pamphlet and a decade later grown to 500 persons. Recent excavations have uncovered the original foundations of a brick church that stood on the site in the early 1800s along with 41 graves. Archaeologists with Colonial Williamsburg will lead this tour of the site of one of the nation's oldest black churches.

#### Custis Square Archaeology Project

This four-acre complex was home to John Custis (1678-1749), tobacco planter, member of the Governor's Council and avid horticulturalist. In addition to a Jacobean house, kitchen, and smokehouse, the ornamental landscape included a nearly four-acre garden complete with topiary, classical statues and formal walkways. Tour led by Colonial Williamsburg archaeologists.

#### Lunch - On Your Own in Merchants Square

#### "Restoring Williamsburg" Exhibition

From nails, plaster and paint samples to casement windows, hinges and the original weathervane from the Powder Magazine, see some of the 15,000+ architectural "fragments" that have guided Colonial Williamsburg's restoration work since the 1930s. Architectural Collections Manager Dani Jaworski will lead this tour in the DeWitt Wallace Decorative Arts Museum.

#### Architectural Collections Storage

Explore more than 90 years of architectural collections salvaged from Colonial Williamsburg buildings in this fascinating behind-the-scenes tour with Architectural Collections Manager Dani Jaworski.

- HOW: Chartered bus (52 seats available). Seats Fill Quickly. Payment must accompany reservation to hold spot.
- COST: **\$65.00** Includes admissions, bus, and treats on bus including wine/cheese on ride home. Lunch is on your own in Merchants Square. Payment must accompany reservation.