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Stratford Hall Unveils New Dynamic Tour Options

Home to the Lees of Virginia has developed new opportunities to learn and experience the 18th-century home and surrounding landscape

Stratford, VA – Stratford Hall, located in the historic Northern Neck, will introduce new tour options beginning July 1 for visitors to experience the historic home and surrounding landscape.

There will be docent-led tours of the Great House three times a day; 11 am, 1 pm and 3 pm, allowing visitors to hear stories about the recent renovations and preservation of the Great House and about the people who lived at Stratford Hall, and have ample time to stroll the newly renovated gardens, visit the beach, have a picnic, go to the Gift Shop, and take in the stunning views. A new 75-minute self-guided audio tour with 28 stops throughout the Great House and historic grounds allows for visitors to experience, at their own pace, the stories of some of Stratford's former inhabitants, background music and ambient sounds, and actors portraying those who lived at Stratford Hall. Walk through the house and the surrounding historical areas at whatever pace you wish. The audio tour is offered daily from 9:30 am – 4:00 pm.

Stratford Hall is also introducing a brand new American Sign Language tour, produced by Fornal Labs and translated by Purple Communications, displayed on a touch-screen device that showcases Stratford Hall's audio tour content in ASL and with subtitles, and a map to guide the visitors to all of the 28 stops.

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About Stratford Hall

A National Historic Landmark, Stratford Hall preserves the legacy of the Lee family and its plantation community, inspires an appreciation of America's past, and encourages commitment to the ideals of leadership, honor, independent thought and civic responsibility.

Built by Thomas Lee in the 1730s, Stratford Hall is one of the greatest houses of American history. Four generations of the Lee family passed through its stately doors most notably: Richard Henry Lee and Francis Lightfoot Lee, the only two brothers to sign the Declaration of Independence, Revolutionary War hero "Light Horse Harry" Lee and his son, Civil War General Robert E. Lee, who was born at Stratford Hall in 1807. For more information, visit www.stratfordhall.org.