

# THE MOUNT

EDITH WHARTON'S HOME

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### MISSION

*The Mount is a National Historic Landmark and cultural center that celebrates the intellectual, artistic, and humanitarian legacy of Edith Wharton. The Mount engages a diverse audience by providing context to Wharton's life and achievements through their interpretive and public programs, and preservation of her historic estate.*

### HUMANITIES EXPERTISE

The Mount is maintained and operated by the Edith Wharton Restoration, Inc., which was founded in 1980. The Mount has evolved from a traditional historic house museum to a vibrant cultural center, engaging audiences through year-round artistic and literary programs.

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## HUMANITIES RESOURCES & PROJECTS

### PROGRAMS & EVENTS

Year-round programming reflects Wharton's love of culture and the arts and includes live storytelling events, theater, music, and the popular Monday Lecture Series.

- [Tours](#) of the house and gardens, a Backstairs Tour, and the popular [Ghost Tour](#) are offered to tell the stories of The Mount. There are no velvet ropes and stanchions, instead visitors are invited to sit and interact with the rooms. Interpretive exhibits throughout the house explore Wharton's life, her humanitarian efforts, literary legacy, and lives of the servants.
- [School Visits](#): Tours and programs are open to K-12 students and are available year round. Mount educators are also available to bring Wharton's gilded world to your classroom.
- [Writers-in-Residence Program](#): Two and three week residencies are offered each March for three women poet, fiction, or creative nonfiction writers. The principal responsibility of each resident is to spend time further developing her creative work. Each residency is scheduled so that there is some overlap between the writers. This "mini" writers' colony will give the residents a community of support and camaraderie.
- [Music After Hours](#): Every weekend in July and August from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. the Mount hosts lively evenings of free music played by the region's most talented musicians.

\* Additional calendar events are listed on the [Mount's website](#).

### RESOURCES

- [Discover](#) Edith Wharton, her [Legacy](#), and [Published Works](#): Biographical information explores how Edith Wharton continues to seem credible and contemporary 80 years after her death due to the authenticity of her writing; she was a keen observer not just of society but of the human condition.