

# ART *à la Carte*

JULY 3-31



*Art à la Carte is a series of informative programs focusing on the arts. It is offered free of charge on Wednesdays at 12:15 pm at the Flint Institute of Arts. Visitors are encouraged to bring lunch; coffee, tea and cookies are provided.*

July 3

## **Highclere Castle**

60 min

It may be more famous now than any time in its 1,300-year history as the setting of *Downton*® Abbey, but England's Highclere Castle has its own stories to tell.

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### **Highclere Castle**

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July 10

## **Hampton Court Palace**

60 min

Hampton Court Palace was originally built for Cardinal Thomas Wolsey, a favorite of King Henry VIII, in 1529. As Wolsey fell from favor, the palace was passed to the King, who enlarged it. Today, the palace is open to the public, and a major tourist attraction.

July 17

## **Althorp – The Spencers**

60 min

Nestled on over 14,000 acres of English countryside is Althorp House, the childhood home and final resting place of Diana, Princess of Wales. The estate is now in the hands of Diana's brother Charles, the 9th Earl Spencer, guardian to a vast wealth of artistic and historical treasures.

July 24

## **Chatsworth**

60 min

Peregrine Cavendish, the 12th Duke of Devonshire, shares the history and some of the inner workings of this great house and grounds, one of England's largest private homes.

July 31

## **Manor House**

60 min

The early 20th century was a time of glamor, high society, and unfettered optimism in Britain's grand homes. In this program, discover the realities of "upstairs-downstairs" life and what it was like behind the "green baize door" in Britain's grandest estates.

*Sponsored by Jim Chintyan*