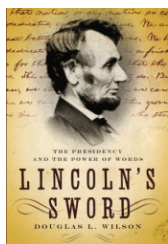


Pennsylvania Abraham Lincoln

B I C E N T E N N I A L C O M M I S S I O N

1809-2009

June 2009 Events



Wednesday, June 3, 2009

Lincoln's Words, with Douglas Wilson

6:00 p.m.

The Rosenbach Museum & Library, 2008-2010 Delancey Place, Philadelphia, PA
Dr. Wilson, project scholar for [21st-Century Abe](#) and author of *Lincoln's Sword: The Presidency and the Power of Words*, will make the case that Lincoln's facility with words, especially the written word, is as important in the scheme of things as his ability as a political leader. Not only was he as great a writer as he was a statesman, his great success as a statesman would not have been possible without his ability as a writer. Dr. Wilson is the co-director of the Lincoln Studies Center at Knox College and a two-time winner of the Lincoln prize for *Honor's Voice* (1998) and *Lincoln's Sword* (2007). **RSVP required.** Tel: (215) 732-1600 or by [email](#).

Thursday, June 4, 2009

**"Abraham Lincoln and the Declaration of Independence:
From Peoria to the Presidency"**

Lincoln historian Lewis E. Lehrman

7:30 p.m.

Cumberland County Historical Society, 21 North Pitt Street, Carlisle, PA 17013

The Cumberland County Historical Society welcomes eminent historian Lewis E. Lehrman, author of *Lincoln at Peoria: The Turning Point* for a lecture and book signing reception. Mr. Lehrman's book studies Abraham Lincoln's three-hour antislavery speech that he delivered at Peoria on October 16, 1854. Lehrman examines how this speech shaped both Lincoln's early legislative years and ultimately his Presidency. For more information, please call 249-7610 or visit the [web site](#). Books will be available for purchase in the Museum Shop. Free and open to the public.



June 18-July 12, 2009

"Abraham Lincoln: A Man for His Time, A Man for All Times" Exhibit

Tuesday through Saturday 10 A.M. - 4 P.M. and Sunday 12 noon - 4 P.M. Closed Mondays.

Lehigh Valley Heritage Museum, 432 W. Walnut Street, Allentown, PA 18102

This is a national traveling exhibit organized by the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History and made possible through a major grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. Dedicated to expanding American understanding of human experience and cultural heritage. Through photographs, speeches, letters, proclamations, and Lincoln's own words, the exhibit explores the man behind the myth in order to develop a deeper understanding of the nation's 16th president's life, accomplishments, and legacy. Free and open to the public. For more info call 610-435-1074.

June 18-28, 2009

**Hunt Slonem: An Exhibition of Abraham Lincoln Portraits
Gettysburg Festival Event**

7:30PM

Historic Gettysburg Railroad Station, 35 Carlisle Street, Gettysburg, PA

The Gettysburg Festival features an art exhibition featuring paintings of Abraham Lincoln by renowned American artist Hunt Slonem. Since 1977, Slonem has soloed in more than 150 exhibitions in prestigious galleries. Free admission, open daily 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. (717) 337-8233. For more info on this exhibition, [click here](#).



June 19, 2009

**A Lincoln Portrait featuring James Earl Jones
Gettysburg Festival Event**

7:30PM, Majestic Theater, Gettysburg, PA

The 65-member Festival Orchestra sets the stage for an inspirational night of American classics on June 19 with Copland's Fanfare for the Common Man and Appalachian Spring, Gershwin's Concerto in F, Randy Edelman's Symphony Suite from the film Gettysburg, concluding with the stirring A Lincoln Portrait. Tickets are on sale through the [Majestic Theater Box Office](#). A Dessert Reception, to be held next-door to the Majestic at the Historic Gettysburg Railroad Station, is sponsored by the Pennsylvania Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission, with the project being financed in part by a grant from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of

Community and Economic Development. Dessert Reception tickets are available through the Festival [website](#) or by calling 717-334-0853 during business hours.



June 20, 2009
Handmade Along the Highway”--The Route 30 Artisan Trail
Gettysburg Festival Event
 11 A.M. - 4 P.M.
 Main Festival Stage, Gettysburg College, Gettysburg, PA



Enjoy demonstrations by old-world style artisans, near the Festival Main Stage while brass concerts play on and the PA Preferred Picnic offers mouth-watering culinary treats. For more info, visit the Gettysburg Festival [website](#).

June 21, 2009

“An Open Air 19th Century Musical Potpourri”
Sponsored by the Pennsylvania Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission and the Civil War Institute at Gettysburg College in cooperation with the Gettysburg Festival
 7:30 P.M.

Main Festival Stage, Gettysburg College, Gettysburg, PA
 A preview of the oratorio “For the People” for brass band, soloists, and woodwind octet by John (Buzz) Jones with additional vocal and brass band selections. With performances by The Spires Brass Band, John Slezak, conductor; Kathleen Sasnett, soprano; Jeffrey Fahnstock, tenor; Roosevelt Credit, bass-baritone; and The Sunderman Conservatory of Music Woodwind Octet. For more info, click [here](#). This performance is made possible by a grant from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development.



The 2009 Gettysburg Festival events listed in this newsletter are endorsed by the National Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission and the Pennsylvania Abraham Lincoln



June 21 - June 27, 2009
CWI 2009 Theme: The Assassination and The Life of Mary Todd Lincoln

Gettysburg College, Gettysburg, PA 17325
 The Civil War Institute in 2009 promises to be an exciting week. Speakers scheduled to attend include Catherine Clinton, Edward Steers, Jr., Michael Burlingame, Philip Kunhardt, Matthew Pinsker, and 2009 Lincoln Prize Laureates James McPherson and Craig Symonds. A [tentative schedule](#) of events is now available. For more information, visit the [CWI webpage](#). Endorsed by the National Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission and the Pennsylvania Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission.

June 26, 2009

“Lincoln and the Widow Bixby”
 7:00 P.M.

Lehigh Valley Heritage Museum, 432 W. Walnut Street, Allentown, PA 18102
 Dr. Judith Giesburg, Assistant Professor of History at Villanova University, will tell the story of the most famous condolence letter ever written—from President Abraham Lincoln to the Widow Bixby, a mother whose five sons were reported killed in the Civil War. This presentation is sponsored in part by the Pennsylvania Humanities Council’s Speakers in the Humanities. FREE. For more info call 610 435-1074.

Save the Date!

November 19, 2009, Dedication Day
146th Anniversary of the Gettysburg Address
 10:00 A.M.

Soldiers’ National Cemetery, Gettysburg, PA
Keynote speaker: TBA Schedule will include a performance by the United States Marine Band and a naturalization ceremony hosted by the National Park Service and presented by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services. . For a tentative schedule of events, [click here](#). [The Lincoln Flag](#), on loan from the Pike County Historical Society, will be on exhibit at the Historic Gettysburg Railroad Station November 17th through November 22nd. The exhibit is made possible in part by a grant from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development. Endorsed by the National Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission and the Pennsylvania Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission.



About the Commission

Based at the Civil War Institute at Gettysburg College, the purpose of the Pennsylvania Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission is to organize, arrange, and coordinate bicentennial tributes to Abraham Lincoln in Pennsylvania and to coordinate those activities with the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission of the federal government, as well as other interested parties. For more information about the PA ALBC, please visit our website at: <http://www.palincoln.org/>

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“Fellow-citizens, we cannot escape history. We of this Congress and this administration, will be remembered in spite of ourselves. No personal significance, or insignificance, can spare one or another of us. The fiery trial through which we pass, will light us down, in honor or dishonor, to the latest generation.”
 -- December 1, 1862 - Lincoln’s Second Annual Message to Congress