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AMERICA'S DOCUMENTARIAN KEN BURNS TO SPEAK AT THE TENNESSEE THEATER

LMU Law and East Tennessee Historical Society partner to present world-renowned filmmaker for special community presentation

Knoxville, Tennessee, March 1, 2018—The Lincoln Memorial University Duncan School of Law (LMU Law) and the East Tennessee Historical Society (ETHS) have joined forces to bring world-renowned documentary filmmaker Ken Burns to Knoxville on Tuesday, April 17, 2018.

For almost 40 years Burns has produced and directed some of the most acclaimed historical documentaries ever made. For one night only, Burns will present a community lecture at the historic Tennessee Theater. The filmmaker will discuss the Civil War in a presentation entitled *Mystic Chords of Memory*. The presentation will begin at 7:15 p.m.

Since the Academy Award-nominated *Brooklyn Bridge* in 1981, Burns has gone on to direct and produce some of the most acclaimed historical documentaries ever made, including *The Civil War*; *Baseball*; *Jazz*; *The Statue of Liberty*; *Huey Long*; *Lewis and Clark: The Journey of the Corps of Discovery*; *Frank Lloyd Wright*; *Mark Twain*; *Unforgivable Blackness: The Rise and Fall of Jack Johnson*; *The War*; *The National Parks: America's Best Idea*; *The Roosevelts: An Intimate History*; *Jackie Robinson*; and *Defying the Nazis: The Sharps' War*. His latest film, *The Vietnam War*, a 10-part, 18-hour series co-directed with long-time partner Lynn Novick, aired on PBS in September 2017.

Burns's future projects include films on the history of country music, Ernest Hemingway, Muhammad Ali, Benjamin Franklin, the American Revolution, the history of crime and punishment in America, Leonardo da Vinci, Lyndon B. Johnson, Civil Rights, Winston Churchill, and the history of American innovation and technology, among others.

Tickets for the community lecture will go on sale on March 5, 2018, at the Tennessee Theater box office or online at www.tennesseetheatre.com. General admission tickets are \$55. Students, East Tennessee Historical Society members and Friends of the Knox County Library will receive a code for discounted tickets. Patrons including KaTom, DeRoyal and Pilot/Flying J. make the presentation possible.

ABOUT LINCOLN MEMORAL UNIVERSITY Lincoln Memorial University is a values-based learning community dedicated to providing educational experiences in the liberal arts and professional studies. The main campus is located in Harrogate, Tennessee. For more information about the undergraduate and graduate programs available at LMU, contact the Office of Admissions at 423-869-6280 or e-mail at admissions@lmunet.edu.

ABOUT EAST TENNESSEE HISTORICAL SOCIETY Established in 1834, the East Tennessee Historical Society is widely acknowledged as one of the most active history organizations in the state and enjoys a national reputation for excellence in programming and education. For 184 years the East Tennessee Historical Society has been helping East Tennesseans hold on to our unique heritage—recording the events, collecting the artifacts, and saving the stories that comprise the history we all share.

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