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“Steven Spielberg, Historian? Emancipating Lincoln”
A Film Showing and Discussion

PROGRAM: “*Steven Spielberg, Historian? Emancipating Lincoln*” Lecture and Showing of Stephen Spielberg’s *Lincoln* (2012)

DATE: 2:00 p.m., Sunday, August 11, 2013

LOCATION: East Tennessee History Center
601 South Gay Street
Knoxville, TN 37902

ADMISSION: FREE and open to the public

Knoxville, Tennessee— Join the East Tennessee Historical Society for a special showing of Stephen Spielberg’s *Lincoln* with commentary provided by Lincoln scholar, Dr. William E. Hardy.

Steven Spielberg’s historical drama *Lincoln* (2012) chronicles President Abraham Lincoln’s final months and the political struggle for passage of the 13th Amendment by the U.S. Congress in 1865. Spielberg’s film seeks to find the man behind the monument. In doing so, he reveals President Lincoln’s personal struggles as he deals with battlefield, constitutional, and moral decisions. How can the viewer separate history from creative license? Join us for a screening of the film *Lincoln* with comments and discussion led by Dr. William E. Hardy, a lecturer in the history department at Lincoln Memorial University and on staff at the East Tennessee Historical Society.

The lecture is a part of a series of programs and brown bag lectures accompanying the feature exhibition *Of Sword and Pen: Pivotal Moments in Civil War East Tennessee* at the Museum of East Tennessee History through October 13, 2013. The exhibition is composed of very rare, important documents and artifacts recounting pivotal moments in East Tennessee’s Civil War history.

The East Tennessee Historical Society and is located in the East Tennessee History Center at 601 South Gay Street in downtown Knoxville across from the Tennessee Theatre. For more information about this event, please contact ETHS by calling 865-215-8824 or email eths@eastTNhistory.org.

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