LINCOLN
CIVIL WAR SEMINAR & TOUR
SEPT. 24-27
BASED IN CHAMBERSBURG, PA

MR. LINCOLN'S ARMY AT GETTYSBURG, JOHN WILKES BOOTH ESCAPE TOUR, & SESSIONS WITH LEADING LINCOLN HISTORIANS: ED BEARESS, BOB ALLEN, DAN VERMILYA, ED STEERS, JAMES GETTY, WAYNE MOTTS, AND OTHERS.

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OUR SPEAKERS

**Ted Alexander** is the co-founder and host of our seminars. He is the author, editor, or contributor to 10 books on the Civil War and other aspects of American history, and more than 200 book reviews and articles for publications such as *Civil War Times* and *The Washington Times*. He currently serves as Chief Historian at Antietam National Battlefield.

**Bob Allen** has been leading John Wilkes Booth Escape Route bus tours for the Surratt Society for 22 years. He has also led escape route tours for The Civil War Trust, the Gettysburg Institute, and various Civil War Roundtables. Allen has written articles about the assassination for various publications including *Historic Traverer Magazine*, *The Baltimore Sun* and *The Philadelphia Inquirer*. In addition, he has taught non-credit courses on the assassination at Carroll Community College and for Towson University’s Auburn Society.

**Ed Bearss** is America’s premier battlefield tour guide. Mr. Bearss is a former Marine, serving in the Pacific in WWII, and is the Chief Historian Emeritus of the National Park Service. Author of more than 20 books and numerous articles on the Civil War, he has been a featured commentator on Ken Burn’s PBS documentary *The Civil War*, *History Channel*, and *C-Span*. Mr. Bearss has been a mainstay of the Chambersburg Civil War Seminars & Tours since our founding in 1989.

**James Getty** is one of Gettysburg’s most recognized residents and is a nationally-renowned Lincoln actor and Lincoln historian. Getty has taken the stage in Gettysburg cities, and towns across the nation with his interpretation of our 16th President.

**Col. John Fitzpatrick** is a licensed battlefield guide emeritus at the Gettysburg National Military Park. His background includes serving in the U.S. Marine Corps as a Tank Commander and as a Pilot. Colonel Fitzpatrick now divides his time amongst guiding at Gettysburg, volunteer veterans’ activities, and his commercial, construction, and securities/employment arbitration practice.

**Bernadette Loeffel-Atkins** is a native New Yorker and has resided in Gettysburg for over 15 years. She has worked as a freelance writer and photographer for several years and currently manages a military history bookstore in Gettysburg. Bernadette is the author of a number of books including *Widow’s Weeds and Weeping Veils: Mourning Rituals in 19th Century America*. She currently serves on the board of Evergreen Cemetery.

**Joe Mieczkowski** is a Civil War living historian and educator. Having received his Bachelor’s Degree from Salem College and his Master’s Degree in Public Administration from Pennsylvania State University, he spent 37 years working with the Social Security Administration. Mieczkowski is a past president of the Gettysburg CWRT, licensed battlefield guide for the Gettysburg National Military Park, and the author of the book *Lincoln and his Cabinet*.

**Wayne Motts** is the CEO of the National Civil War Museum in Harrisburg. A licensed battlefield guide at Gettysburg National Military Park, he is the former director of the Adams County Historical Society and is the author of several works including a biography of Confederate General Lewis A. Armistead.

**Bob O’Connor** is the author of more than seven history and historical novels about John Brown, Lincoln, and the Civil War. His novel, *The Virginian Who Might Have Saved Lincoln* was named a finalist in the 2008 Best Book Awards by USA Book News. Bob lectures frequently and also serves as a volunteer at Harpers Ferry National Historical Park.

**Dr. Edward Steers** is one of the foremost authorities on the Lincoln assassination. He has written eight books about Lincoln and other aspects of American history, including the critically acclaimed: *Blood on the Moon: The Assassination of Abraham Lincoln*. Steers has also appeared on several television productions on the *History Channel* regarding Lincoln’s assassination as well as the *Today Show*.

**Dan Vermilya** is an interpretive ranger at Gettysburg National Military Park and Antietam National Battlefield. He is the author of *The Battle of Kennesaw Mountain* and a biography of James Garfield.
treasures associated with Lincoln and his presidency in the museum's collection.

- "The Anomalies and Ironies Surrounding the Assassination" - Bob Allen

  - Edwin Booth once, previous to the assassination, pulled Robert Lincoln from in front of a train, possibly saving his life. Edwin Booth voted for Lincoln. Booth’s mother and favorite sister both described the Confederates as “the enemy.” There are a lot of these stories. Listen as Allen covers the subject based on his new article in the Civil War Trust’s *Hallowed Ground*.

5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Dinner on your own

7:30 - 8:30 p.m. Session

- “Lincoln, Myths, and Hoaxes” Panel Discussion with Ed Steers and others

SATURDAY, September 26

Breakfast at Hampton Inn (Available 6 - 10 a.m.)

7 a.m. – 9 a.m. “John Wilkes Booth Escape Tour” Bus tour led by Ed Bearss and Bob Allen

- Bus leaving from Hampton Inn
- Lunch included
- Dinner included

Tour Description:
Join Ed Bearss and Bob Allen as we trek the flight of the assassin from Washington, D.C. to Booth's death site at Garrett's Farm in Virginia. Sites to visit:
- Ford's Theatre
- Surrat Tavern
- View Dr. Mudd House
- And more!

Complete Weekend Package Begins

THURSDAY, September 24 (Optional Tour)

7:30 - 8 a.m. Early Registration at Hampton Inn

8 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. “Mr. Lincoln's Army at Gettysburg” Bus & walking tour led by Ed Bearss

- Bus leaves from Hampton Inn
- Buffet lunch at Dobbin House included
- Dinner on your own

Tour Description:
Join master battlefield tramper Ed Bearss for a look at the battle from the Union Side. Sites to visit:
- McPherson’s Ridge
- Cemetery Hill
- Culp’s Hill
- Little Round Top
- And more!

FRIDAY, September 25

Breakfast at Hampton Inn (Available 6 - 10 a.m.)

9 - 11:30 a.m. Sessions at Hampton Inn

- Sessions in North/South Room
- Buffet Lunch included at Hampton Inn
- Dinner on your own

Topics to discuss include:

- “Lincoln and His Cabinet” - Joe Mieczkowski
  - President Lincoln's cabinet included all of his major political rivals. The fifteen men who served in his Administration provide a fascinating look at the men and the politics of the Civil War.

- “Lincoln's Bodyguard” - Bob O'Connor
  - Security for our presidents was very different in the mid 19th century than today. O'Connor will discuss several people who served as Lincoln's “bodyguard.” Most notable were Ward Hill Lamon and at the end a policeman, John Parker. Our speaker will tell their stories in this fascinating presentation.

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Lunch at Hampton Inn

12:30 - 5:30 p.m. Sessions

John Fitzpatrick

- “There is No Fail Here” - Lincoln at Gettysburg
  - John Fitzpatrick
  - We will examine the immortal Gettysburg Address by focusing on the tremendous problems and pressures impacting President Lincoln: personal, political, and policy. How the President overcame them, his three purposes, and how he achieved them will be explained.

- “Lincoln Treasures in the National Civil War Museum” - Wayne Motts
  - Join Wayne Motts, CEO of the National Civil War Museum as he presents a program highlighting rare historical

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___$275 Saturday Only
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