



July E-News

Henry Clay Estate to Host Lincoln Legacy Day

Ashland: The Henry Clay Estate will host Lincoln Legacy Day on August 4, 2007, as part of planned events surrounding the Lincoln Bicentennial. The event will begin at 11:30 a.m. and is free and open to the public.



Several performances will be held as part of the event. George McGee will portray Henry Clay, delivering portions of the famous "market speech" given by Clay in 1847 in Lexington. McGee is one of the Kentucky Humanities Council's Chautauqua performers.

Kevin Lanham will depict Abraham Lincoln, presenting part of the eulogy that Lincoln delivered after Clay's death in 1852. Donna Foreman will portray Mary Todd Lincoln at the event, and period music will be performed by Chris Popes.

Those planning to attend are invited to bring food and refreshments. Boxed lunches will be available for purchase at the Ginko Tree Café at Ashland.

This event is funded in part by the Kentucky Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission. For more information, please call Ashland at 859-266- 8581 or [visit the Web site](#). Rain date of August 11.

Governor Fletcher Announces New Lincoln Highway Signs

Governor Ernie Fletcher recently announced that Kentucky's preparations for the national Lincoln Bicentennial will include signs commemorating the sixteenth president along two major highways that pass through Lincoln's native Larue County.

The signs designate the length of U.S. 31E as the Lincoln Heritage Highway and Interstate 65, from the Jefferson-Bullitt county line to the Tennessee border as the Abraham Lincoln Memorial Expressway.

"With these signs, we further honor a great man who changed the course of American history," said Governor Fletcher. "Consequently, this area is nationally recognized as the birthplace of one of our greatest presidents. We must do all that we can to protect and maintain this national treasure."

Signs for the Abraham Lincoln Memorial Expressway will be located at the county line in each

direction on I- 65 in Bullitt, Hardin, Larue, Hart, Barren, Edmonson, Warren, and Simpson counties. Signs for the Lincoln Heritage Highway will be located at the county line in each direction on U.S. 31E in Jefferson, Bullitt, Spencer, Nelson, Larue, Hart, Barren, and Allen counties. There are 32 signs in all.

More information about Kentucky's role in the Lincoln Bicentennial celebration can be found on [our Web site](#).

City of Springfield Issues Call to Artists for Lincoln Sculpture

The City of Springfield, Kentucky, announces a call for artists/request for qualifications (RFQ) to commission a sculpture of Abraham Lincoln to be placed at the Washington County Judicial Center that is currently under construction in the downtown area of Springfield.

The story of Abraham Lincoln began in Washington County, Kentucky, on June 12, 1806, with the marriage of his parents on a farm on the Little Beech Fork River near a small community known as Beechland. In the Washington County courthouse, Thomas Lincoln, the president's father, executed a marriage bond to marry Nancy Hanks on June 10, 1806.

Artists are invited to submit their qualifications and a letter of intent to create a 1-½ scale sculpture of Lincoln, which will be located in front of the new judicial center, currently under construction. The budget for this commission is \$150,000.

A brochure and call for artists/request for qualifications (RFQ) about the commission are available at the City of Springfield's designated [Web site for the sculpture](#). For a printed copy, contact Ms. Kathy Elliott at 859-336-5440 or [by e-mail](#). The deadline for proposals is July 23, 2007.

Funding for this project has been provided by the Kentucky Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission through the Kentucky Arts Council, which has worked in an advisory capacity with the City of Springfield and the Lincoln Sculpture Committee in developing the guidelines, criteria, and request for qualifications for the public art commission.

Interpreting Slavery Workshop to be Held at the Kentucky Historical Society

On August 13-14, 2007, the Kentucky Historical Society and the Liberty Hall Historic Site will host a workshop titled "Interpreting Slavery at Kentucky's Historic Sites."

This two-day workshop will offer a session with Larry Earl of Colonial Williamsburg on the importance of interpreting slavery at historic sites, along with training on how to speak with diverse audiences. Other topics of the program include the history of slavery in Kentucky, how to find and use available sources and resources, and case studies on interpreting slavery at historic sites.

The cost is \$35 for individuals and \$30 per person for organizations sending more than one person. The deadline for registration and payment is August 3.

Please contact the [Liberty Hall Historic Site](#) at 502-227-2560 for more information.

Lincoln Grants Available

Through funding made available by the Kentucky Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission, grants for Lincoln-related projects are currently being offered by the Kentucky Arts Council, the Kentucky Heritage Council, the Kentucky Humanities Council, and the Kentucky Historical Society. These grants can be used to support a variety of themes related to Lincoln and Kentucky, including slavery, nineteenth-century political culture, the Civil War, and Lincoln's legacy today. Potential projects include educational programs, exhibitions, public art, community celebrations, speakers,

classroom tools, and more. Grants are available to museums, historical organizations, educational institutions, city and county governments, and other nonprofit organizations.

For more information on Lincoln-related grants, please [visit us on the Web](#) and click "participate."

Other News

- **The Battle of Richmond Association's fifth annual reenactment of the Battle of Richmond** is scheduled for August 25-26, 2007. More information can be found at the [Battle of Richmond's Web site](#).
- **Camp Nelson will host its annual Civil War Days event.** on September 8-9, 2007. Visitors can experience military and civilian life during the Civil War on one of the best-preserved Union Army Supply Depot and recruitment sites in the nation. More information can be found at [Camp Nelson's Web site](#).
- **The Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historic Site will host a Walk Through Lincoln's Life on Wednesday, September 12, 2007.** Bring the family and experience rural Kentucky as it might have been when Abraham Lincoln, our sixteenth president, was born at Sinking Spring Farm. The event will take place from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. For more information, please contact Steve Brown at 270-358- 3137.
- **The Lincoln Days Celebration Annual Fall Festival** has been scheduled for October 6-7, 2007. The theme for this year's event is "Developing Values Early." More information can be found at the [Lincoln Days Web site](#).
- **The Hunt-Morgan House in Lexington is featuring a new exhibition** titled *The Morgan Mystique*. For more information please call 859- 253- 0362.

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