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### **Greenville County Library System to Display Traveling Lincoln Exhibit**

**Greenville, SC** – The **Greenville County Library System** has been awarded a grant by the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH): great ideas brought to life, to host ***Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War***, a traveling exhibition illustrating the constitution's role in Abraham Lincoln's presidency during the Civil War.

Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War exhibition is a replica of an exhibit made by the National Constitution Center. Panels offer information and photographic reproductions of documents, such as Lincoln's first inaugural speech, the Emancipation Proclamation and the Thirteenth Amendment.

The 1,000-square-foot exhibit will be on display at the Hughes Main Library **October 8-November 19**. The exhibit and related programs are free and open to the public.

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#### **Opening Reception**

**Friday, October 8, 6:30p-8:00p**

**Hughes Main Library, Meeting Rooms A-C**

Join us for the opening of *Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War*, sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities. Meet Furman University humanities scholar, Dr. T. Lloyd Benson. Call 527-9293 to register.

#### **Meet the President**

**Tuesday, October 19, 6:30p-8:00p**

**Hughes Main Library, Meeting Rooms B-C**

Join Professor George Frein in a lively reenactment of Abraham Lincoln as president, including interpretations of debates and controversies. Call 527-9293 to register.

#### **Powerful Presidential Speeches**

**Thursday, October 28, 6:30p-8:00p**  
**Hughes Main Library, Meeting Room A**

“Four score and seven years ago...” Abraham Lincoln’s powerful words have been known to set the standard of presidential speeches throughout history. Join us for a fascinating comparison of Lincoln’s famous speeches with those of more recent presidents. Call 527-9293 to register.

**The Fight to End Slavery**  
**Thursday, November 4, 6:30p-8:00p**  
**Hughes Main Library, Meeting Room C**

Although often hailed as one of America’s greatest presidents, Abraham Lincoln was once a controversial figure, having racial prejudices that seemed to conflict with his belief that slavery should be abolished. Join Furman University’s Dr. T. Lloyd Benson for a discussion of Lincoln’s road to the Emancipation Proclamation. Call 527-9293 to register.

**Lincoln’s Legacy**  
**Thursday, November 11, 6:30p-8:00p**  
**Hughes Main Library, Meeting Room A**

Abraham Lincoln’s presidency left a legacy for our nation to live up to, including the ideals of equality, freedom and democracy. Join Furman University’s Dr. T. Lloyd Benson, in a discussion of Lincoln’s continued accomplishments. Call 527-9293 to register.

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Call 527-9293 or visit [www.greenvillelibrary.org](http://www.greenvillelibrary.org) for more information.

The Hughes Main Library is located at 25 Heritage Green Place, Greenville, SC 29601.

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***About Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War:***

*Lincoln: the Constitution and the Civil War, a traveling exhibition for libraries, was organized by the National Constitution Center and the American Library Association Public Programs Office.*

*The traveling exhibition is based on an exhibition of the same name developed by the National Constitution Center and currently touring the United States. Lincoln: the Constitution and the Civil War has been made possible by a major grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities.*

***About the Greenville County Library System:***

*Founded in 1921, the Greenville County Library System operates 11 facilities, a bookmobile, and a website that provide information, materials, and engaging programs delivered with world-class technology and a customer-centric approach. The Library System offers free access to resources and experiences and continually strives to be the community’s destination of choice for exploring the world. For more information, visit the Library’s website at [www.greenvillelibrary.org](http://www.greenvillelibrary.org).*

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