The 18th Annual Lincoln Forum Symposium – 2013 Schedule
“Lincoln At Midstream: Gettysburg & Beyond”
Year Four of a Six-Year Focus on the Civil War Sesquicentennial (2010-2015)

Saturday, November 16th
1:00 p.m. Registration begins in the foyer of the Wyndham Hotel
1:00 p.m. Bookstore and Exhibitors in the Exhibit Rooms of the Wyndham Hotel
5:00 p.m. Cash bar in the Wyndham Presidential Ballroom Foyer
6:00 p.m. Opening ceremonies with the Valley Forge Military Academy & College, Wayne, PA
6:00 p.m. Dinner in the Wyndham Presidential Ballroom
7:15 p.m. Welcome to the Forum: Frank J. Williams, Chairman
7:30 p.m. James M. McPherson – High Water Marks in the Gettysburg Campaign

Sunday, November 17th
6:30 a.m. Breakfast buffet in the Wyndham Presidential Ballroom Foyer (breakfast served until 8:30 a.m.)
8:30 a.m. Book display and sales continue all day in the Exhibit Rooms
9:00 a.m. Moderator – Session 1 – Harold Holzer
9:00 a.m. Barnet Schecter – The New York City Draft Riots
10:00 a.m. John Stauffer – The Battle Hymn of the Republic
11:00 a.m. Edna Greene Medford – The U.S. Colored Troops to the Rescue
12:00 p.m. Buffet lunch – Wyndham Presidential Ballroom Foyer
2:00 p.m. Moderator – Session 2 – Burrus Carnahan
2:00 p.m. Michelle Krowl – Lincoln Treasures at the Library of Congress: A Visual Tour
3:00 p.m. Panel: Lincoln the Orator: Gettysburg and Beyond, with Harold Holzer, moderator, and panelists James M. McPherson, Jared Peatman and Martin P. Johnson
4:30 p.m. All-Author book signing in the Wyndham Presidential Ballroom Foyer
5:30 p.m. Cash bar in the Wyndham Presidential Ballroom Foyer
6:30 p.m. Dinner in the Wyndham Presidential Ballroom
7:30 p.m. The Wendy Allen Award – presented by Russ Weidman
7:35 p.m. George Buss – Lincoln’s “Conkling Letter” Speech to his Springfield Neighbors
7:40 p.m. James Oakes – Antislavery and the Civil War
Monday, November 18th

6:30 a.m. Breakfast buffet – Wyndham Presidential Ballroom Foyer (breakfast served until 8:30 a.m.)
7:30 a.m. Annual Board of Advisors breakfast meeting
8:30 a.m. Bookstores and exhibitors open
9:00 a.m. Frank J. Williams – Annual State of the Forum and election of officers
9:15 a.m. Don McCue – Announcement: Winner of 2013 Platt Family Essay Contest
9:30 a.m. Moderator – Session 3 – Frank J. Williams
9:30 a.m. Walter Stahr – Seward and Lincoln
10:30 a.m. John Fabian Witt – Lincoln’s Code and the Laws of War

1:00 p.m. Buffet Lunch – Wyndham Presidential Ballroom Foyer
2:30 p.m. Breakout sessions, Small Group Q & A: “Meet the Historians – Topics of Your Choice, No Holds Barred” with authors and facilitators from the Concise Lincoln series from Southern Illinois University Press:

Session 1 Brian Dirck (Lincoln and the Constitution) with John Marzalek,
Session 2 Kenneth J. Winkle (Abraham and Mary Lincoln) with Harold Holzer
Session 3 Michael Green (Lincoln and the Election of 1860) with Sylvia Frank Rodrigue
Session 4 Richard Striner (Lincoln and Race) with Craig Symonds
Session 5 Guy Fraker (Lincoln’s Ladder to the Presidency) with Thomas Horrocks

or… Dining Inside the White House III with Wyndham Executive Chef Claude Rodier and Chief Chef Frank J. Williams (For those already registered)

5:30 p.m. Cash bar in the Wyndham Presidential Ballroom Foyer
6:30 p.m. Dinner in the Wyndham Presidential Ballroom
7:30 p.m. James Getty – Lincoln’s Two Gettysburg Addresses
7:35 p.m. Presentation of the Richard Nelson Current Award of Achievement
7:45 p.m. Keynote speakers: Tony Kushner in conversation with Harold Holzer – Making Spielberg’s Lincoln