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Lecture on Abraham Lincoln's Last Days: Hero Martyr and Civil Rights Inspiration at San Diego Central Library

San Diego - Dr. Edward J. Blum, of San Diego State University, examines Lincoln's last days and his legacy. A book signing and sale of Dr. Blum's book, *Reforging The White Republic: Race, Religion, and American Nationalism, 1865-1898* will take place after the lecture. The program will be on Saturday April 11, 2009 from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. in the Central Library Auditorium.

Heralded as a “noted historian” by Newsweek and as top young historian by the History News Network, Edward J. Blum is a professor of history at San Diego State University. He is an award –winning teacher and the author of two award –winning books, *W.E.B. Du Bois. American Prophet* (2007) and *Reforging The White Republic: Race, Religion, and American Nationalism, 1865-1898*(2005).

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Before or after the lecture, visit the first floor lobby exhibit, *Abraham Lincoln: A Man of His Time, A Man for All Times*. The exhibit is courtesy of the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History and the National Endowment for the Humanities. For more information about this program and the exhibit, please call (619) 236-5847.

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