



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

## Public Library

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**  
Friday, September 29, 2006

**CONTACT:** Lynn Whitehouse  
619-236-5821

### **Library to Screen the Film “Nat Turner: A Troublesome Property on Oct. 29 Event is Part of the Program “Forever Free: Abraham Lincoln’s Journey to Emancipation”**

**SAN DIEGO** – The City of San Diego Public Library will host the film “Nat Turner: A Troublesome Property” followed by a discussion on Sunday, Oct. 29, at 2 p.m. This free event will be held in the third floor auditorium of the Central Library, located at 820 E St. in downtown San Diego.

Over the decades, Nat Turner’s slave rebellion has been represented in multiple and often conflicting ways. The film, directed and written by Charles Burnett, deftly weaves the documentary with dramatizations of the different versions of the retelling of this watershed event. Nat Turner was a “troublesome property” for his master and he has remained a “troublesome property” for the historians, novelists, dramatists, artists and many others who have struggled to understand him.

The film discussion afterward will be facilitated by Abraham J. Shragge, Ph.D., History and Lecturer at UCSD.

This event is part of the program “Forever Free: Abraham Lincoln’s Journey to Emancipation,” which includes a major exhibit and a series of special events, at the Central Library from Oct. 11 through Nov. 24. For more information, visit the Library web site at [www.sandiegolibrary.org](http://www.sandiegolibrary.org)

###

*The City of San Diego Public Library – Your Link to the Past and Gateway to the Future*

“Forever Free: Abraham Lincoln’s Journey to Emancipation” has been organized by the Huntington Library, San Marino, Calif., and the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History, New York City, in cooperation with the American Library Association Public Programs Office. This exhibition was made possible by major grants from the National Endowment for the Humanities, promoting excellence in the humanities, and the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission, created by Congress and charged with planning the national celebration of Lincoln’s 200<sup>th</sup> birthday.