

The Filson Historical Society

May 2011 Programs

1310 South Third Street

Louisville, Kentucky

40208

Book Discussion - *Race and Reunion: The Civil War in American Memory* by David W. Blight

A. Glenn Crothers

The Filson Historical Society
Tuesday, May 10 - 3:30 p.m.

David W. Blight's *Race and Reunion: The Civil War in American Memory* is a history of the necessary but painful reconciliation process between the North and South which ensued after the Civil War. This sweeping narrative details how the unity of white America was purchased through the increasing segregation of black and white Civil War memories.

David W. Blight is a Professor of American History at Yale University and the Director of the Gilder Lehrman Center for the Study of Slavery, Resistance & Abolition.

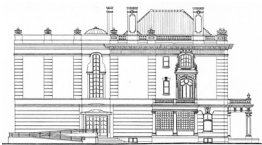
Professor Crothers is the Director of Research at The Filson Institute and specializes in southern United States history before 1865.

Reservations are required for this event.

The Filson Institute Public Conference, Spring 2011 - Architecture

The Legacy of Buildings: Learning From Historic Structures
The Filson Historical Society

May 12 - 14



What would it be like to live in the River City without the homes of Old Louisville, Churchill Downs or the Louisville Water Tower? Why do we value historical places and what can we learn from them? The fact is that historic buildings stand as distinct examples of human achievement and shine a light on the cultural values of the past. Join The Filson Historical Society as historians, architects, and historic preservationists explore the importance of understanding and preserving our cultural heritage through historic structures in Louisville, the Ohio Valley, and beyond.

Thursday, May 12 - John H. Stubbs,
World Monument Fund

5:30 p.m. - Reception



6:30 p.m. - Keynote Lecture, *A Global Tour of Architectural Conservation: Saving Our Past*

Friday, May 13 - Day of Lectures

Moderator - David Mohny, Professor Emeritus at the College of Design, University of Kentucky. Speakers include: Dr. Samuel W. Thomas; Dr. Patrick Lee Lucas; De Leon & Primmer Architecture Workshop; and John H. Stubbs.

Saturday, May 14 - Field Trip, *Early Kentucky Architecture, Henry & Shelby Counties*

Judge John David Myles will lead a tour of several private homes in Henry and Shelby counties. This trip includes a special look at the stone house of the Hawkes, dating back to the 1700's. The field trip lunch will be hosted by the Jelsmas at their home, and the day will conclude with libations at the home and gardens of Ms. Fowler.

More details about these events are available in the conference brochure, including costs. **Reservations are necessary** - call The Filson at (502) 635-5083.

Gallery Tour Featuring Portraits in *Lessons in Likeness: Portrait Painters in Kentucky and the Ohio River Valley, 1802-1920*

Jim Holmberg & Robin Wallace

The Filson Historical Society

Tuesday, May 17 - 12:00 p.m.



The Filson Historical Society holds some 400 portraits painted by a wide variety of artists in Kentucky and the Ohio River Valley, representing one of the most extensive holdings available for study in the region. *Lessons in Likeness: Portrait Painters in Kentucky and the Ohio River Valley, 1802-1920* features an extensive selection of The Filson's paintings, in addition to biographical notes on each artist and a cultural chronology. The Filson's guided tours are designed to provide unique insights into portraits in the collection.

The tours are limited in capacity, so reservations are necessary. Call The Filson at (502) 635-5083, or register online at www.filsonhistorical.org.

15 Minutes: General Curtis LeMay and the Countdown to Nuclear Annihilation

L. Douglas Keeney

The Filson Historical Society

Thursday, May 19 - 6:00 p.m.



Based on formerly classified documents, military records, press accounts, interviews and over 10 years of research, *15 Minutes: General Curtis LeMay and the Countdown to Nuclear Annihilation* is an absorbing year-by-year history about the atom bomb.

Keeney, a military historian and co-founder of cable television's Military Channel, tells a fascinating, often chilling story of the policies, technologies, and men responsible for maintaining our nuclear defense posture during the Cold War.

Keeney is the author of ten books of military history, including *The Doomsday Scenario: How America Ends* and *Gun Camera Pacific*.

Reservations are suggested for this event.

The Gertrude Polk Brown Lecture Series - "Mr. Brandeis of Louisville"

Melvin I. Urofsky

Sandy Allen Fine Arts Center at
Ballard High School

6000 Brownsboro Road

Tuesday, May 24 - 6:30 p.m.

Supreme Court Justice Louis D. Brandeis, the namesake for Brandeis University in Massachusetts and the law school at the University of Louisville, helped establish the concept of right-to-privacy, championed labor laws and fought against public corruption throughout his influential career as a practitioner in Boston.

Dr. Melvin I. Urofsky is professor of law and public policy and a professor emeritus of history at Virginia Commonwealth University. He is the author of *Louis D. Brandeis: A Life* and *Louis D. Brandeis and the Progressive Tradition*.

Urofsky is the recipient of the 2010 Brandeis Medal Award, and his *Louis D. Brandeis: A Life* received the 2011 Erwin Griswold Book Prize, the 2010 Ambassador Book Award and the 2009 National Jewish Book Award.

Admission is free to members of The Filson Historical Society, and \$10 for non-members. **Reservations are suggested to ensure seating.** Please call The Filson at (502) 635-5083 to register for this event.



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All programs are free unless otherwise noted.

Save the Date!

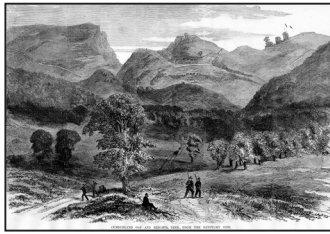
The Filson Civil War Field Institute Cumberland Gap, The Confederacy's Corridor to the North

June 2 - 4, 2011

The Filson will host a Civil War Field Institute whose mission is to explore the complex history of the Civil War era in Kentucky, the Ohio Valley region and the Upper South through a series of field trips and lectures.

This Institute will focus on the Cumberland Gap's pivotal role in the Civil War and how the area's significance lay in its routes north and south, the topography and geography, and the divided nature of its citizenry.

More details are available in the Civil War Institute brochure, including costs - details are also available online at www.filsonhistorical.org. **Reservations are necessary** - call Scott Scarboro at (502) 635-5083.



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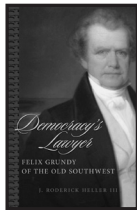
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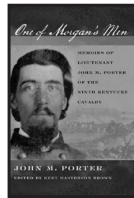
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**Democracy's
Lawyer: Felix
Grundy of the Old
Southwest**
J. Roderick Heller III
The Filson Historical
Society
Tuesday, June 7 -
6:00 p.m.



**One of Morgan's
Men: Memoirs of
Lieutenant John M.
Porter of the Ninth
Kentucky Cavalry**
Kent Masterson
Brown
The Filson Historical Society
Tuesday, June 14 - 6:00 p.m.



To collect, preserve and tell the significant stories of Kentucky and the Ohio Valley history and culture
Our Mission:

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