

Lecture and Book Discussion

The Fourteenth Amendment

presented by Stephen McGrath

Lecture

Sunday, March 26 at 3 p.m.

Free for members and \$5 for non-members. Registration required.

Join us for a lecture and accompanying 2-part book discussion led by Stephen McGrath, adjunct professor of history at Central Connecticut State University. The Fourteenth Amendment was adopted 150 years ago to make citizens all persons born in the US and to grant citizens equal protection of the laws. This lecture sketches the origins of the Fourteenth Amendment, and the book discussion series explores the far-reaching consequences of the Fourteenth Amendment to the present day.

Book Discussions

Part 1: April 4 from 5:30-6:30 p.m.

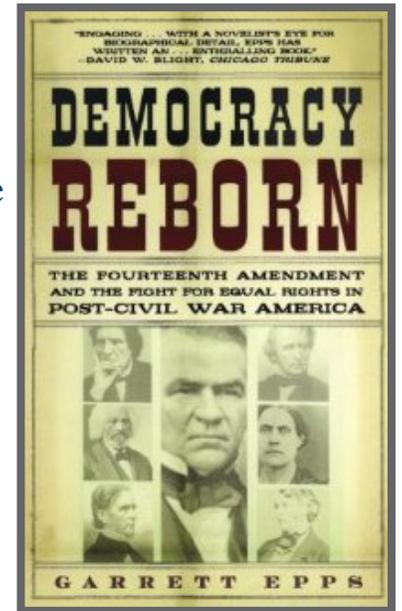
Part 2: April 18 from 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Free for members and \$5 per session for non-members.

Registration required. Participants purchase own book.

Accompanying the lecture, this book discussion series explores the far-reaching consequences of the Fourteenth Amendment to the present day. Participants will read *Democracy Reborn: The Fourteenth Amendment and the Fight for Equal Rights in Post-Civil War America* by Garrett Epps for the discussion.

Book Description: The Fourteenth Amendment-which at last provided African Americans with full citizenship and prohibited any state from denying any citizen due process and equal protection under the law-changed almost every detail of our public life. *Democracy Reborn* tells the story of this desperate struggle over the Amendment, from the halls of Congress to the bloody streets of Memphis and New Orleans. Both a novelist and a constitutional scholar, Garrett Epps unfolds a powerful story against a panoramic portrait of America on the verge of a new era.



Space is limited and registration is required. Payment is required at time of registration.

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