



*Freedom March* by Stuart Hamilton

# THE IMPACT OF THE CIVIL WAR: REDEFINING AMERICA AND AMERICANS

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- 6:30 **Welcome**  
Rod Smolla, president, Furman University
- 6:40 **Keynote Address**  
**What About the War is Worth Remembering?**  
John McCardell, vice-chancellor and president,  
Sewanee: The University of the South
- 7:20 Break and Refreshments
- 7:40 **Connections and Introduction**  
A.V. Huff, professor emeritus of history,  
Furman University
- 7:45 **Interactive Discussion**  
**Civil War: Transforming Citizenry,  
Democracy, and Our National Identity**  
Lloyd Benson, professor of history,  
Furman University

**The program cover** image is from a painting by Stuart Hamilton, M.D., founder and CEO of Eau Claire Cooperative Health Center and medical director of Select Health of South Carolina. Hamilton is a graduate of the Riley Institute's Diversity Leaders Initiative and a longtime civil rights activist. He has opened ten health centers throughout the Midlands of South Carolina and was one of the first to respond to the emerging health needs of Columbia's underserved population.

## WHO'S WHO

**Rod Smolla**, president of Furman University, is nationally recognized as a scholar, teacher, advocate, and writer and is one of America's foremost experts on issues relating to freedom of speech, academic freedom, and freedom of the press. A native of the Chicago area, he is a 1975 graduate of Yale University and graduated first in his class from Duke University Law School in 1978. Prior to coming to Furman, Smolla served three years as dean and Roy L. Steinheimer Professor of Law at Washington and Lee University School of Law. He has also been dean and Allen Professor at the University of Richmond School of Law as well as director of the Institute of Bill of Rights Law at the College of William & Mary.



**A. V. Huff, Jr.**, is a retired professor of history and vice president of academic affairs and dean at Furman. He joined the Furman faculty in 1968. Before becoming chief academic officer in 1995, he served as William Montgomery Burnett Professor of History and chair of the department. Huff holds an A.B. degree with high honors in history from Wofford College, a B.D. degree from Yale University, and M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in history from Duke University.



A specialist on the history of the American South and of South Carolina, he has written and edited a number of books, including *The History of South Carolina in the Building of the Nation* and *Greenville: The History of the City and County in the South Carolina Piedmont*. He has served as chair of the South Carolina Commission on Archives and History, and has been a member of the editorial board of the *South Carolina Historical Magazine* and the advisory board of *The South Carolina Encyclopedia*. He is a United Methodist minister and has been historian of the South Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church.

**John M. McCardell, Jr.**, president emeritus of Middlebury College and currently 16th vice-chancellor of the University of the South, is a distinguished historian and respected national leader in liberal arts education. He possesses a record of achievement as a scholar of the American South and is a respected national figure in the public discussion about higher education and student life. McCardell is the author of *The Idea of a Southern Nation*, and his specialty is U.S. history in the 19th century with special emphasis on the South and on American historiography.



A 1971 graduate of Washington and Lee University, McCardell did graduate work at The Johns Hopkins University and then at Harvard University, where he received his Ph.D. in history in 1976. McCardell has received honorary degrees from Washington and Lee University and from St. Michael's College. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and Omicron Delta Kappa and has been honored with grants and fellowships from the American Philosophical Society, the National Endowment for the Humanities, and the Institute for Southern Studies.

**T. Lloyd Benson** is the Walter Kenneth Mattison Professor of History at Furman. Benson joined the Furman faculty in 1990 and has served as chair of the history department. He holds an A.A. degree from the State University of New York's Empire State College and B.A., M.A., and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Virginia.



He has received the Republic Research Training Centers Award for Outstanding Teaching and Furman's Alester G. Furman, Jr., and Janie Earle Furman Award for Undergraduate Teaching. In 1994 he was selected Faculty Member of the Year by the Association of Furman Students.

A member of the American Historical Association and Southern Historical Association, he is co-founder of the E-DOCS discussion list for historical documents. He is the author of *The Caning of Senator Sumner*, published by Wadsworth. His primary area of academic interest is 19th-century American history.

## FUTURE LECTURES/DISCUSSIONS

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August 2

### **From Emancipation to Segregation: A New Era in Race Relations**

#### **The Uneven Path to Segregation: Aftermath of the War in Charleston**

Bernard Powers, professor and associate chair of history,  
College of Charleston

#### **Fighting Jim Crow in the Day-to-Day Life of Black Southerners**

Robert Korstad, professor of public policy and history,  
Duke University

August 9

### **The Long Road to Civil Rights: From Oppression to Opportunity**

#### **Challenging Separate But Equal**

Ophelia De Laine Gona, author of  
*Dawn of Desegregation: J. A. De Laine and Briggs v Elliott*

#### **Traveling on the Road to Civil Rights** (panel discussion)

Moderator: Steve O'Neill, professor of history, Furman University

Panelists: Cleveland Sellers, president, Voorhees College

Jack Bass, professor emeritus, College of Charleston

Honorable James Clyburn, U.S. Congressman

August 16

### **Toward a New Paradigm: Equality of Justice and Opportunity**

#### **The Evolving Meaning of "Civil Rights" in Contemporary America**

Rod Smolla, president, Furman University

#### **Moving Forward on the Path to Equality in South Carolina**

Isabel Wilkerson, Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist and author of

*The Warmth of Other Suns: The Epic Story of America's Great Migration*

Mark Quinn, producer and host of SCETV's *Big Picture*

(Reception for attendees following program.)

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