



## Media Advisory

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## Lincoln Ideas Forum

*President Lincoln's Cottage will commemorate Abraham Lincoln's lasting legacy with our second annual forum with leading experts in contemporary issues related to the 16<sup>th</sup> President's ideas on freedom and liberty.*

**WHEN:** Wednesday, April 13, 2016, 1:30pm–3:30pm. RSVP by 5 pm on Tuesday, April 12, 2016.

**WHERE:** President Lincoln's Cottage  
Entrance located at the intersection of Rock Creek Church Rd NW and Upshur St NW  
(GPS: 140 Rock Creek Church Road NW, Washington, DC 20011)

**WHAT:** Notable thinkers will come together at President Lincoln's Cottage for a dynamic symposium exploring the intersection of President Lincoln's life and legacy with contemporary issues including trafficking and migration, economic policy, reconciliation after civil war, and the psychological legacy of slavery.

Speakers include **Ted Maris-Wolf**, Vice President of Education, Research, and Historical Interpretation, Colonial Williamsburg Foundation; **Katherine Chon**, Director of the Office on Trafficking in Persons, Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; **Richard Vedder**, Distinguished Professor of Economics Emeritus, Ohio University; **Olivia Dreier**, Executive Director, Karuna Center for Peacebuilding; **Katie Mansfield**, Director, Eastern Mennonite University's Center for Justice and Peacebuilding Strategies for Trauma Awareness and Resilience Program; and **Raymond Zeigler**, MA student, Eastern Mennonite University's Center for Justice and Peacebuilding. There is no cost to attend this event.

**SOCIAL:** Follow us [@LincolnCottage](https://twitter.com/LincolnCottage) and use #LincolnIdeas to join the online conversation during the event.

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**About President Lincoln's Cottage:** For over a quarter of Abraham Lincoln's presidency, he lived at the Cottage, on an uplifting hilltop in northwest Washington, D.C. While in residence, President Lincoln made some of his most crucial decisions of the Civil War, visited with wounded soldiers, spent time with self-emancipated men, women and children, and developed the Emancipation Proclamation. His experience of being surrounded by the human cost of war here undoubtedly impacted his thinking and strengthened his resolve to challenge the status quo. Through innovative guided tours, exhibits and programs, we use Lincoln's example to inspire visitors to take their own path to greatness, and preserve this place as an authentic, tangible connection to the past and a beacon of hope for all who take up Lincoln's unfinished work.

President Lincoln's Cottage is a private non-profit located on the grounds of the Armed Forces Retirement Home. The Cottage is recognized as a National Historic Landmark, National Monument, and site of the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

Hours of operation: The Robert H. Smith Visitor Education Center is open 9:30am-4:30pm Monday-Saturday and 10:30am-4:30pm Sunday. Cottage tours are on the hour, 7 days a week. For more information, visit: [www.lincolncottage.org](http://www.lincolncottage.org) or call 202-829-0436.