

Mrs. Lincoln's Salon & Tea program at the Princeville Museum

If you've ever wondered what it would be like to visit with a historical figure, join us on Tuesday, April 22 at 1pm for Mrs. Lincoln's Salon & Tea. Historical impersonator, Debra Ann Miller, takes us back to Mrs. Lincoln's "blue room" in April 1865. Mr. Lincoln and their youngest son, Tad, are at City Point; Robert, their eldest, is with General Grant in pursuit of Robert E Lee; and Mary is alone in the Executive Mansion. The audience is invited to reminisce with Mrs. Lincoln about her childhood, her days in Springfield and her children as she celebrates Tad's 12th birthday and the end of the Civil War. Drawing from Mary Todd Lincoln's own letters to friends, family and political figures of the era, "Mrs. Lincoln's Salon" paints a picture of Mary Lincoln that is both sympathetic and accurate.

The Tea is hosted by the Princeville Heritage Museum and the Lillie M. Evans Library and will take place at the Museum. **There is no charge for this program but seating is limited so please contact the Museum at 385-1916 for reservations.** This is the third program offered during the *Lincoln: the Constitution and the Civil War* exhibit. The last program in the series will be on April 29th 6:30pm-8:30pm when Jeanne Schultz Angel presents the Anti-Slavery Movement in Black & White.

The Lincoln exhibit will be on display at the Princeville Heritage Museum from April 7, 2014 through May 9, 2014. Regular hours at the Princeville Heritage Museum during this exhibit will be Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays & Saturdays 10am-2pm; Tuesdays from 2pm-8pm; and Thursdays from 2pm-6pm. The exhibit is closed on Sundays. There is no charge for admission. The Museum is located 325 N Ostrom Avenue in Princeville, IL—15 minutes north of Peoria. The 30,000 sq ft handicap-accessible facility features agriculture antiques, area artifacts, genealogy research, and more. The Akron Townhouse School, a one-room school, is located on the Museum grounds. For more information and for booking class visits, please call the Museum (309) 385-1916.

Lincoln: the Constitution and the Civil War is a traveling exhibition for libraries and was organized by the National Constitution Center and the American Library Association Public Programs Office. The traveling exhibition has been made possible by a major grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. *Lincoln: the Constitution and the Civil War* is based on an exhibition of the same name developed by the National Constitution Center. More information about the exhibit and programs can be found at lmlibrary.org.