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It's "1865" Until December 2015

(Harrisburg, PA) – [The National Civil War Museum](http://www.nationalcivilwarmuseum.org) presents “1865”, a new exhibit that explores the last days of the American Civil War highlighting Appomattox, President Abraham Lincoln’s assassination, the Grand Review and much more. The exhibit will feature a mix of rare artifacts, newspapers and text curated by Brett Kelley, NCWM Curator of Collections. Included in the artifacts on display will be the Frock Coat, Vest and Kepi of Captain Henry Brewster of the Veteran Reserve Corps, Officer of the Guard at the Navy Yard Bridge over the Anacostia River, where John Wilkes Booth escaped from Washington after assassinating President Lincoln. and an original Ford’s Theater Handbill from April 14th, 1865, the evening of President Lincoln’s assassination. The exhibit will set the stage for the aftermath of the Civil War and reconstruction, as well as the impact of the abolition of slavery in the United States.

The “1865” exhibit opened to the public on January 15, 2015 and run to December 31, 2015.

For a complete listing of other events at the Museum, please visit the Museum website:

www.nationalcivilwarmuseum.org or call 717.260.1861.

About The National Civil War Museum

*Opened in February 2001, The National Civil War Museum, a member of the Smithsonian Institution Affiliations Program, is a non-profit private educational institution dedicated solely to the American Civil War. It is one of the largest museums in the world which interprets the entire American Civil War from a military and civilian perspective. The Museum preserves and exhibits some of the nation's treasures, including General Robert E. Lee's personal Bible, and more than 24,000 artifacts, documents and photos. Admission to the Museum is \$11.00 for adults, \$10.00 for seniors, and \$9.00 for students with reduced rates for children and families. The Museum offers complimentary ample parking. For more information, please call 717.260.1861, or visit the Museum's website at www.nationalcivilwarmuseum.org. **Connect with us!** [Facebook.com/TheNationalCivilWarMuseum](https://www.facebook.com/TheNationalCivilWarMuseum); [Twitter.com/NCWM](https://twitter.com/NCWM); and [FourSquare.com/NationalCivilWarMuseum](https://www.foursquare.com/NationalCivilWarMuseum)*

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