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## *The Debate about Confederate Iconography with Kevin Levin at the NCWM*

(Harrisburg, PA) – [The National Civil War Museum](http://www.nationalcivilwarmuseum.org) continues its 2017 Lessons in History lecture series as Kevin Levin, Independent Scholar, presents "*Confronting Confederate Iconography in the Wake of the Charleston Massacre*," April 22, 2017 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm, education gallery, first floor. The presentation will discuss the horrific shootings that took place in Charleston, South Carolina in 2015, that led to a renewed debate about the place of Confederate iconography in public spaces. Communities across the country have removed or relocated flags and monuments often following heated debates. This talk will explore the history of Confederate iconography by focusing on a number of key periods in which these symbols gained traction and took hold in this nation's popular memory of the war.

The 2017 Lessons in History program is free to the public. Regular museum admission applies for entrance to the museum galleries.

*About the Author: Kevin M Levin is a historian and educator based in Boston. He is the author of Remembering the Battle of the Crater: War as Murder (2012) and is currently at work on Searching For Black Confederate Soldiers: The Civil War's Most Persistent Myth, which is under contract with the University of North Carolina Press. You can find him online at his website and blog, Civil War Memory [http://cwmemory.com].*

For a complete listing of other events at the Museum, please visit the Museum website: [www.nationalcivilwarmuseum.org](http://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 \$12.00 for adults, \$11.00 for seniors, and \$10.00 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](http://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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