

# “STATESMENSHP in Illinois History”

*featuring:*

**Dr. Sam Wheeler**

Illinois State Historian and Director  
of Research and Collections  
for the Abraham Lincoln Presidential  
Library and Museum



**Wednesday, October 3 at 7 p.m.**  
**SIU Carbondale Student Center Ballroom B**

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Samuel Wheeler is the tenth State Historian in Illinois history. He specializes in the history of Illinois, the Civil War Era, and the life and legacy of Abraham Lincoln. In addition to his work in education, Dr. Wheeler has devoted much of his professional career to assisting museums, libraries, historic sites, documentary editing projects, and historical societies execute their missions effectively and efficiently. He regularly speaks to diverse audiences across the country, writes for scholarly journals and popular magazines, and offers commentary to newspaper, radio, and television outlets. As the Illinois State Historian, Dr. Wheeler serves as the Director of Research and Collections at the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library & Museum in Springfield, Illinois and is a member of the state's Bicentennial Commission.

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