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Augusta and the Civil War Symposium Series
1862: Making War—Southern Industrialization
November 9–10, 2012

The leading heritage and cultural institutions in Augusta, Georgia, present *Augusta and the Civil War*, a symposium series focused on the Civil War's impact on this city. The series frames Augusta's experience within the larger context of the war and the social changes it produced. Annually during the Civil War's sesquicentennial, a theme is explored through lectures by nationally recognized scholars, tours, and visits to historic sites. This year's theme, "Making War," focuses on Southern industrialization, reflecting Augusta's significant role in the manufacture of gunpowder, ordnance, ammunition, and other materiel for the Confederate forces.

Friday, November 9, 2012

Location: The Morris Museum of Art

- 6:30 p.m. lecture, 7:30 p.m. reception

The Edward J. Cashin Memorial Woodrow Wilson Lecture

Sponsored by the Center for the Study of Georgia History at Augusta State University and Historic Augusta, Inc.

Mary DeCredico, PhD, Professor of History, United States Naval Academy, presents "Georgia's Industrialization and the Confederate War Effort."

Saturday, November 10, 2012

Morning Session

Location: The Kroc Center, Augusta

- 8:30–9:00 a.m.: Registration
- 9:00–10:15 a.m.: "'Augusta Really Begins to Look Like a Little Lowell': The Textile Industry in Augusta, 1861–1865," lecture by **Keith Bohannon, PhD**, Associate Professor of History, University of West Georgia

- 10:30–11:45 a.m.: “Rebel Genius: The Confederate Powder Works at Augusta,” lecture by **Gordon Blaker**, Director and Curator, U.S. Army Artillery Museum, Fort Sill, Oklahoma
- 11:30 a.m.–12:45 p.m.: Lunch and “Interpreting the Confederate Powder Works for the 21st Century,” the Augusta Canal National Heritage Area’s plans for a Powder Works sesquicentennial interpretive plaza.
- 12:45–1:00 p.m.: Travel by personal vehicles to Augusta Canal Interpretive Center

Afternoon Session

Location: The Augusta Canal Interpretive Center at Enterprise Mill

- 1:00–1:15 p.m.: Check in
- 1:30 p.m. or 3:00 p.m.: Petersburg boat guided canal tour: “Food, Fabric and Firepower: Augusta Canal and the Civil War”
- 1:30 p.m. or 3:00 p.m.: “How to Make Gunpowder in 18 Not-So-Easy Steps and Not Blow Yourself and Everyone Else to Kingdom Come,” lecture by **Gordon Blaker**
- 1:15–4:30 p.m.: Civil War book fair and Augusta Canal Interpretive Center self-guided tour

Registration Information

Friday keynote and reception are free. Saturday events, including lectures, lunch and tour are \$30 per person. Registration is required for both days.

There are three ways to do so:

- **Call** 706-823-0440, ext. 7
- **E-mail** hmadden@augustacanal.com (include “CW150 Symposium” in the subject line)
- **Mail** a check or money order (made out to the Augusta Canal Authority) to Holley Madden, Augusta Canal, 1450 Greene Street, Suite 400, Augusta, Georgia, 30901. Include your name, address, phone number, e-mail address, the number of attendees, and the days you wish to attend.

The registration deadline is November 5, 2012.

Participating organizations include the Augusta Canal National Heritage Area, the Augusta Civil War Roundtable, the Augusta-Richmond County Historical Society, the Augusta Museum of History, Historic Augusta, Inc., the Center for the Study of Georgia History at Augusta State University, the Lucy Craft Laney Museum of Black History, and the Morris Museum of Art.