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***Abraham Lincoln: A New Birth of Freedom***

**Program for General Audiences (Libraries, Museums, Senior Homes, Community Groups, Etc.)**

Adults and children alike will enjoy hearing a first-hand account from Abraham Lincoln himself of the history of the United States of America during his time, from his childhood on the frontier to the twelve turbulent years from 1854 to 1865 which nearly destroyed our young nation but instead eventually resulted in a “new birth of freedom”.

Mr. Lincoln was of course one of that latter period’s greatest protagonists, and today is one of our nation’s most beloved and esteemed historical figures. Mr. Lincoln quotes from his best-known speeches and writings, and he also talks about his own inspiring story, of how he rose from a humble background to the highest office in the land through self-study, hard work, ambition, and a strong moral character.

This program is most appropriate for adults and for children from eight years old on up. It normally runs one hour and is followed by an additional time of Q&A, photos, and informal interaction (but it is also available in shorter or longer versions). It is also available virtually, whether live via video conferencing (Zoom) or live-streaming (Facebook Live or YouTube Live) or as a pre-recorded video. And it is also available in Spanish (*Abraham Lincoln: Un nacimiento nuevo de la libertad*).

Mr. Lincoln is portrayed by Kevin Wood, a professional Lincoln presenter who bears a remarkable resemblance to “the Great Emancipator” and who is extremely knowledgeable about his life and times. Mr. Wood has been portraying Mr. Lincoln since the year 2000, and on a professional basis since 2015. He has made over 2,200 appearances in 33 states plus Washington DC and two foreign countries: Canada and Spain. Mr. Wood also writes an occasional blog – “*Loath to Close... Still!*” – which encourages others to reflect upon and learn from President Lincoln’s life and legacy. For more information, visit [www.mrlincoln.com](http://www.mrlincoln.com).