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AAMLO Receives NEH Grant to Participate in ALA Lecture Series about the Civil War

Oakland, CA – The African American Museum and Library at Oakland (AAMLO), 659 14th Street, has been selected to receive grant support from the National Endowment for the Humanities for the American Library Association's *Let's Talk About It: Making Sense of the American Civil War*. AAMLO is one of just 65 libraries nationwide selected to participate in the project.

Beginning in February 2012, AAMLO will present a five month lecture series that will examine the historical complexity and irony associated with what has been called "the horrible gift of freedom", otherwise known as the Emancipation Proclamation. Details about the talks will be released soon.

Let's Talk About It: Making Sense of the American Civil War follows the American Library Association's popular Let's Talk About It model, which engages participants in discussion of a set of common texts selected by a nationally known scholar for their relevance to a larger, overarching theme.

For more information, please visit www.oaklandlibrary.org/AAMLO.

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