

Tentative schedule:

November 14, 2011: **Part One: Imagining War.** We will read and discuss the following:

- *March* (2005) by Geraldine Brooks;

As well as the selection from the anthology *America's War: Talking About the Civil War and Emancipation on Their 150th Anniversaries* (2011):

- Louisa May Alcott, "Journal kept at the hospital, Georgetown, D.C." (1862).

December 12, 2011: **Part Two: Choosing Sides.** We will read and discuss the following selections from the anthology *America's War*:

- Frederick Douglass, "What to the Slave is the Fourth of July?" (1852);
- Henry David Thoreau, "A Plea for Captain John Brown" (1859);
- Abraham Lincoln, First Inaugural Address (March 4, 1861);
- Alexander H. Stephens, "Cornerstone" speech (March 21, 1861);
- Robert Montague, Secessionist speech at Virginia secession convention (April 1-2, 1861);
- Chapman Stuart, Unionist speech at Virginia secession convention (April 5, 1861);
- Elizabeth Brown Pryor, excerpt from *Reading the Man: A Portrait of Robert E. Lee Through his Private Letters* (2007);
- Mark Twain, "The Private History of a Campaign that Failed" (1885); and
- Sarah Morgan, excerpt from the *Diary of a Southern Woman* (May 9, May 17, 1862);

January 9, 2012: **Part Three: Making Sense of Shiloh.** We will read and discuss the following selections from the anthology *America's War*:

- Ambrose Bierce, "What I Saw of Shiloh" (1881);
- Ulysses Grant, excerpt from the *Memoirs* (1885);
- Shelby Foote, excerpt from *Shiloh* (1952);
- Bobbie Ann Mason, "Shiloh" (1982); and
- General Braxton Bragg, speech to the Army of the Mississippi (May 3, 1862).

February 6, 2012: **Part Four: The Shape of War.** We will read and discuss the following:

- *Crossroad of Freedom: Antietam* (2002) by James M. McPherson

Selection from the anthology *America's War*:

- Drew Gilpin Faust, excerpt from *This Republic of Suffering: Death and the Civil War* (2008);
- Gary W. Gallagher, “The Net Result of the Campaign was in Our Favor: Confederate Reaction to 1862 Maryland Campaign” (1999).

March 5, 2012: Part Five: War and Freedom. We will read and discuss the following selections from the anthology *America’s War*:

- Abraham Lincoln, address on colonization (1862);
- John M. Washington, “Memorys (sic) of the Past (1873);
- Abraham Lincoln, Emancipation Proclamation (1863);
- Frederick Douglass, “Men of Color, To Arms!” (March 1863);
- Abraham Lincoln, letters to James C. Conkling (1863) and Albert G. Hodges (1864);
- Abraham Lincoln, Gettysburg Address (1863);
- James S. Brisbin, report on U.S. Colored Cavalry in Virginia (Oct. 2, 1864);
- Colored Citizens of Nashville, Tennessee, Petition to the Union Convention of Tennessee Assembled in the Capitol at Nashville (January 9, 1865);
- Margaret Walker, excerpt from *Jubilee* (1966);
- Leon Litwack, excerpt from *Been in the Storm So Long* (1979); and
- Abraham Lincoln, Second Inaugural Address, 1865.