



**KENNESAW  
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Civil War Center



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# PURPOSE

The Civil War was arguably the most important event in the history of the United States. The conflict fundamentally altered the relationship of the states to the federal government, freed four million slaves, and affected the socio-economic development of the nation. Critical battles in the Atlanta Campaign, including Pickett's Mill, Dallas, New Hope Church, and Kennesaw Mountain marked some of the heaviest fighting in the region. Although focusing most closely on matters relating to the Civil War, Center programming also offers examinations of the Antebellum North and South, slavery and secession, Reconstruction and reconciliation, the emergence of a "New South," and the on-going pursuit of civil rights for all Americans.



# MISSION

The mission of the Center for the Study of the Civil War Era is to provide quality programming and resources that enable scholars, students, and enthusiasts to study the causes, nature and outcomes of the conflict, as well as the role that Georgia and the South played in this nation's greatest calamity. Through a diverse offering of programs and public outreach, the Center offers opportunities for the examination of the Civil War era, a period still studied closely and enthusiastically by citizens around the country and beyond, not only for its importance to the past but also for its relevance to the present and future.



# ABOUT THE CENTER

Founded in 2006, The Center for the Study of the Civil War Era at Kennesaw State University has continued to provide a multitude of resources on our website and for the classroom for teachers and scholars, including an on-going timeline, guides and lesson plans; brought nationally recognized historians to discuss and examine important aspects of the Civil War, in annual symposia; and engaged the public through a variety of tours, programs and special events.

Brian Steel Wills is the Director of the Center and Professor of History at Kennesaw State University. In addition to leading tours, offering lectures, and conducting programs, Dr. Wills is the author of numerous works relating to the American Civil War. A graduate of the University of Richmond, Va., and the University of Georgia, he spends time on his farm in Virginia when not teaching and working in Kennesaw.

# CORNERSTONES

Opportunities to make a significant difference or establish a legacy, through donations to the Center, include:

- Scholarships for history students
- Funding for symposia and special programming
- Endowed Chair/Director
- Program enrichment/endowment
- Named book prize

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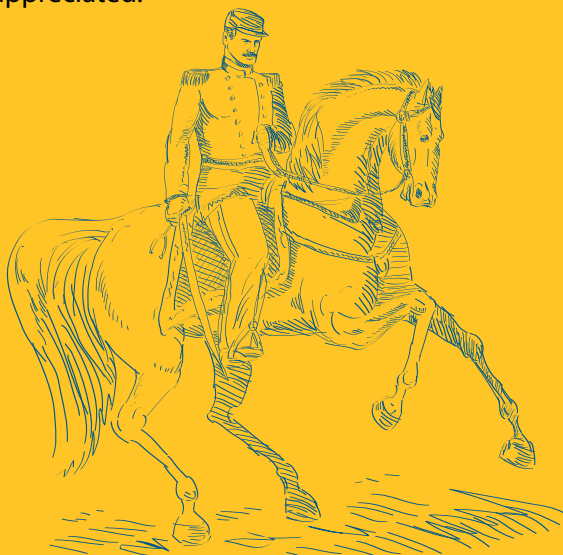
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Become a member of the Kennesaw Corps and partner with the Center for the Study of the Civil War Era at Kennesaw State University. Your annual membership and financial contributions help us pursue our mission to provide educational programs, engage in public outreach, and present opportunities to examine the Civil War era – a period studied for its significance and ongoing relevance to us today.

Please review the annual membership levels and make your choice today. Members will receive special listings on our website and information on exclusive offers and discounts on Center activities. Your support is appreciated!



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