

Deconstructing Reconstruction: The Birth of a Nation's Perspective on Race

On the 150th Anniversary of the 14th Amendment (July 1868) as well as the death of local hero Thaddeus Stevens (Aug 1868), considered the father of that essential amendment, Lancaster's scholars, civic leaders, and activists confront this film's political and social legacies to explore the connection between media representations and lasting cultural attitudes on race.

Post-Screening Panel Discussions

Host:

Dr. Jill Craven, Professor of Film Studies,
English Chair Millersville University

September 25th: *Birth of a Nation Part 1*

Dr. Patrick Bernard, Associate Professor of English,
Program Chair of Africana Studies at Franklin and Marshall

Dr. Sarah Brooks, Assistant Professor of Educational
Foundations at Millersville University

Mr. Kevin Ressler, M. Div., Activist and Pastor, Black Lives
Matter; Co-founder of the Lancaster Action Now Coalition

Mr. Ross Hetrick, President of the Thaddeus Stevens Soc.

October 2: *Birth of a Nation Part 2*

Dr. Paul McEwan, Assoc. Professor Media & Communication;
Director, Film Studies Program at Muhlenberg University; author
of a book in the BFI Classics series on *The Birth of a Nation*

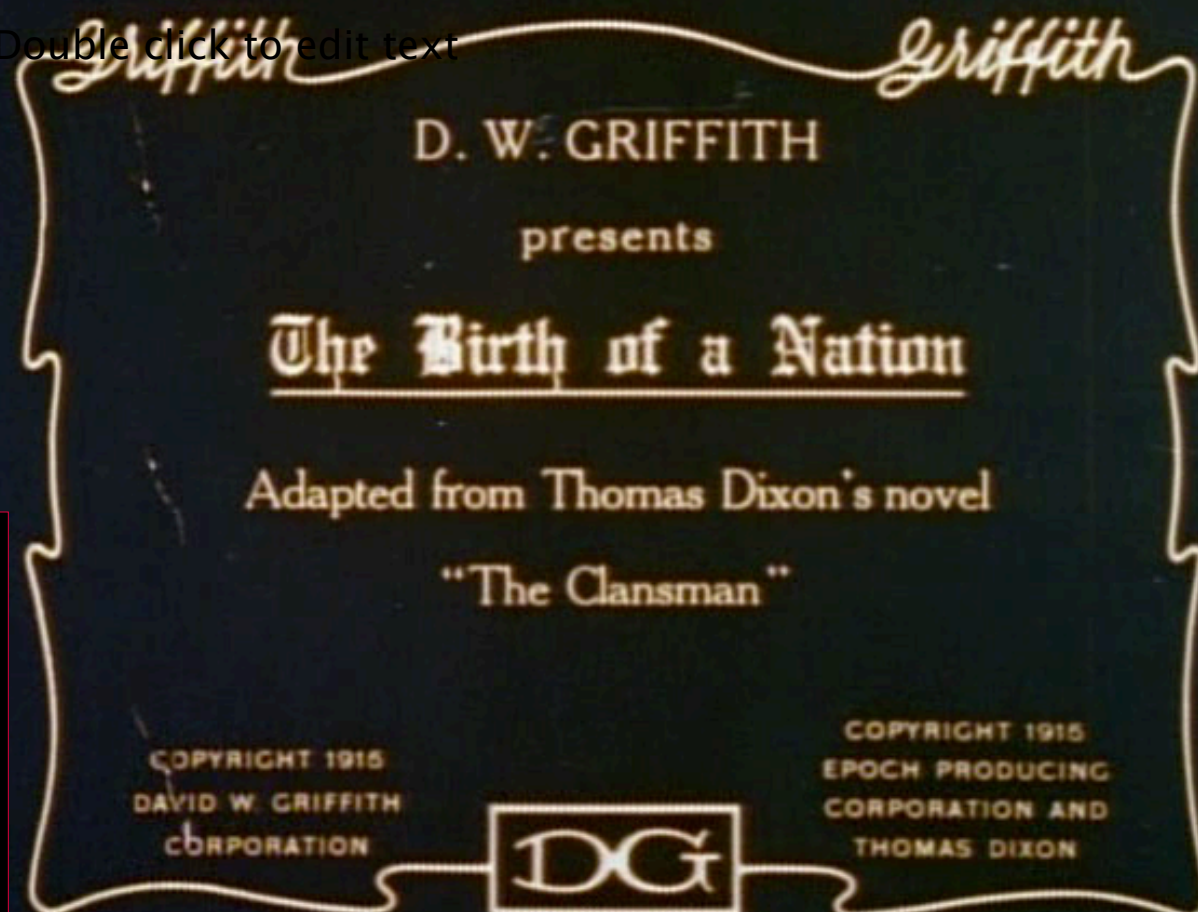
Dr. Richard Moss, Assoc. Professor of History at Harrisburg
Area Community College; author of *Creating the New Right
Ethnic in 1970s America: The Intersection of Anger and
Nostalgia*

Mr. Ismail Smith Wade-EI, City Councilman of Lancaster
and NAACP member

Dr. Louise Stevenson, Franklin & Marshall Professor of
History and American Studies; author of *Lincoln in the
Atlantic World*



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September 25 & October 2

6:30 PM. Ware Center

42 North Prince St. Lancaster, PA

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