



**Cedar Rapids, IA Weekend on  
C-SPAN2's Book TV and C-SPAN3's American History TV  
March 16-17**

With the support of our **Mediacom** cable partners, the C-SPAN Cities Tour explores the American story - this weekend taking **Book TV** (on C-SPAN2) and **American History TV** (on C-SPAN3) to **Cedar Rapids, Iowa** as we highlight the history and literary life of this city.

- **Mayor Bradley Hart's** segment will kick off Cedar Rapids Weekend, **this Friday, March 15<sup>th</sup>**—airing on C-SPAN's *Washington Journal* program between 6am-9am CT. C-SPAN is available in Cedar Rapids on Mediacom channel 97.
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**On Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup>**, all of our **Book TV (C-SPAN2)** non-fiction literary offerings from the city will air together in one block beginning at 11 am CT (on Mediacom channel 87), among the programs...

- See the **Czech and Slovak Collection** at the National Czech and Slovak Museum and Library with library director Dave Muhlena.
  - Hear from **author LaTanya McQueen**, about her book, "And it Begins Like This".
  - Discover the **origins of the Qur'an** with Imam Taha Tawil at the Mother Mosque of America.
  - **Tour Cedar Rapids** with author and historian Mark Stoffer Hunter.
  - Hear about the **Iowa caucuses** and **politics** from *The Gazette's* (Cedar Rapids) political writer, James Lynch.
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**And on Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup>**, all of our history programming from the city will air on **American History TV (C-SPAN3)** beginning at 1 pm CT (on Mediacom channel 88), among the programs...

- Tour the **Grant Wood Studio** where the famous artist painted his most celebrated work, **American Gothic**, with Cedar Rapids Museum of Art's Katherine Kunau.
- Discover the history of the **Mother Mosque of America and the origins of the Qur'an** from Imam Taha Tawil.
- Hear about the **Iowa caucuses** and **politics** from *The Gazette's* (Cedar Rapids) political writer, James Lynch.

- See the "**Faces of Freedom: The Czech and Slovak Journey**" exhibit at the National Czech and Slovak Museum and Library with curator Stefanie Kohn.
  - Visit the **African American Museum of Iowa** with curator Felicite Wolfe as she highlights the "Driven by Hope" exhibit.
  - Tour **Cedar Rapids** with author and historian Mark Stoffer Hunter.
  - Hear from **Congresswoman Abby Finkenauer (D-IA)** on Iowa's 1<sup>st</sup> Congressional District.
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In addition to the individual segments airing on their respective networks, they will also air together during the following dates and times:

- **Book TV (on C-SPAN2) block: Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, 11 am CT**  
(Mediacom channel 87)
  - **American History TV (on C-SPAN3) block: Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 1 pm CT**  
(Mediacom channel 88)
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Visit our special **Cedar Rapids [page](#)**, where each segment will be available to view after it airs! In addition, all video segments will be available indefinitely in our **[C-SPANVideo Library](#)**. For more information about the C-SPAN Cities Tour and programming, visit [www.c-span.org/citiestour](http://www.c-span.org/citiestour) and [@CSPANCities](https://twitter.com/CSPANCities) on Twitter.

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