



**C-SPAN's Book TV and American History Television features Charleston as our 2011 "LCV Cities Tour" comes to town**

***Charleston One of Eight Featured Southeastern Cities***

***\*\*\*Comcast Partners with C-SPAN for Week-long Stop\*\*\****

(June 24, 2011) -- C-SPAN is visiting Charleston for a week starting June 27, 2011 as it features the history and literary life of the city on the cable network's non-fiction book channel (BookTV on C-SPAN2) and history channel (American History TV on C-SPAN3).

To gather this content, C-SPAN producers will visit various literary and historic sites, interviewing local historians, authors and civic leaders, including a ***Tuesday, June 28 event at the Charleston Library Society (164 King Street, Charleston, SC) on the history of Charleston with author and historian Robert Rosen***. Beginning at 5:45pm with opening remarks by C-SPAN President Susan Swain, Mr. Rosen will discuss South Carolina's secession from the Union. Mr. Rosen will also take questions at this event which is open to the public and sponsored by the Preservation Society of Charleston, the Charleston Library Society, and Comcast. This will air along with our other productions throughout a special Charleston feature weekend of July 30-31 on BookTV and American History TV.

Susan Swain and C-SPAN Coordinating Producer Debbie Lamb will be on site in Charleston and are available to talk to the media about C-SPAN's visit.

C-SPAN has dubbed the regional circuit of eight southeastern cities as its *2011 LCV Cities Tour*. That's because C-SPAN producers are travelling in specially detailed Ford Transit Connect vehicles, which C-SPAN is calling Local Content Vehicles (LCV's).

Outfitted with the most current digital camera, editing and other recording technologies, each member of the LCV team is equipped to shoot and edit video on location as well as make presentations to the community about the work they do for the network.

In Charleston, C-SPAN is partnering with Comcast, the network's local affiliate, which is helping to organize the week's many logistics.

Here are some of the places, topics and authors C-SPAN will film while in Charleston:

**BookTV**

- Blue Bicycle Books
- Waring Historical Library

- Interview with Susan Millar Williams & Stephen Hoffius, authors of “Upheaval in Charleston: Earthquake and Murder on the Eve of Jim Crow”
- Interview with Jason Ryan “Jackpot: High Times, High Seas, and the Sting that Launched the War on Drugs”
- Interview with Edmund L. Drago “Broke by the War: Letters of a Slave Trader”

### **American History TV**

- Tour of African-American Heritage sites with Professor Bernard Powers – College of Charleston
- The Heyward-Washington House
- Recent Developments with the Hunley Submarine
- Snee Farm Plantation and the story of Charles Pinckney
- The Old Slave Mart
- 1920's era Charleston with Harlan Greene
- WWII and the Citadel

In addition below are the eight cities C-SPAN will visit during its *2011 LCV Cities Tour*, along with the local cable companies helping to organize the tour stops, and the weekend dates that the featured programming from that city will air on C-SPAN networks:

May - (Bright House Networks) Tampa, FL  
Visit: week of May 9, airs: May 28-29

June - (Comcast) Savannah, GA  
Visit: week starting June 1, airs: June 25-26

**July - (Comcast) Charleston, SC**  
**Visit: week of June 27, airs: July 30-31**

August - (Frankfort Plant Board) Frankfort, KY  
Already visited, airs: August 27-28

September - (Time Warner Cable) Charlotte, NC  
Visit: week of September 5, airs: September 24-25

October - (Comcast) Knoxville, TN  
Visit: week of October 3, airs: October 29-30

November - (Bright House Networks) Birmingham, AL  
Visit: week of November 7, airs: November 26-27

December - (Cox Communications) Baton Rouge, LA  
Visit: week of December 5, airs: December 24-25

Here is [video of the LCV's gearing up for the tour](#) of southeastern cities (via YouTube).

[Click here for pictures of the LCV's](#) (via Flickr).

Here is [C-SPAN's LCV tab](#) on Facebook.

And here is the [LCV website](#).

In the Charleston area, Comcast provides C-SPAN on these channels:

**C-SPAN - 30**

**C-SPAN2 - 104**

**C-SPAN3 – 105**

**About C-SPAN:**

Created by the cable TV industry and now in over 100 million TV households, C-SPAN programs three public affairs television networks in both SD and HD; C-SPAN Radio, heard in Washington DC and nationwide via XM Satellite Radio; and a video-rich website which hosts the C-SPAN Video Library. Visit <http://www.c-span.org/>.

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