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Aspects of Alexander Hamilton's Legacy, Career to be Explored in Panel Discussion at Central Library on May 7

Buffalo, NY -- A panel discussion program, “**Alexander Hamilton: New Perspectives,**” will take place at the **Buffalo & Erie County Public Library Auditorium, 1 Lafayette Square, on Thursday, May 7 at 6 p.m.**

The program, which is free and open to the public, is the first of four Thursday evening events to take place at the Downtown Library in conjunction with its presentation of *Alexander Hamilton: The Man Who Made Modern America*, the acclaimed New-York Historical Society exhibition on its last stop of a 40-city tour. The exhibition is on view **May 1 through June 12** and includes significant artifacts relating to Hamilton’s life and times from the Library’s own collections, as well as those of JPMorgan Chase, Buffalo and Erie County Historical Society, Hamilton College, and Old Fort Niagara.

For more information on the exhibition and its related programs, please visit www.buffalolib.org.

Presenting on the May 7 program will be **Dr. Walter Sharrow**, professor of history, Canisius College, discussing Hamilton’s role in the 18th Century origins of civil rights advocacy; **Dr. Gary Marotta**, professor of history, Buffalo State College, presenting an overview of Hamilton as a far-seeing progressive; and **Kate Brown**, graduate student in early American history, SUNY-Buffalo, discussing Hamilton’s legal career, particularly “Hylton vs. U.S.” (1794), the only case argued by Hamilton before the Supreme Court.

Sharrow is honored as a Danforth Fellow, Woodrow Wilson Fellow and Koessler Distinguished Professor, and is the former Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Canisius. Marotta specializes in American intellectual and diplomatic history at Buffalo State College, and is the author of *Rodin*, published by the Metropolitan Museum of Art in conjunction with a retrospective exhibition on the great French sculptor. Brown is a 2004 graduate of Cornell University.

For additional information, visit our website at www.buffalolib.org or contact the Central Library at 858-8900.