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Role of the Media in American Politics and Scandals to be Explored in Panel Discussion at Central Library on May 21

Buffalo, NY -- Three prominent local journalists will discuss the evolution and role of the Media in the early 1800s as the developments of the day were reported in Alexander Hamilton's time, and how the Media covers politics and exposes scandals today in a program called "Sex, Lies and The Smoking Gun: Politics and Journalism" at the Buffalo & Erie County Public Library, 1 Lafayette Square, on Thursday, May 21 at 6 p.m. The program is free and open to the public.

The panel includes Lee Coppola, Dean of St. Bonaventure University's School of Journalism; Jack Connors, publisher of Business First; and Rich Kellman, journalist for WGRZ-TV.

This program is part of the series of Thursday evening events taking place at the Downtown Library in conjunction with its presentation of Alexander Hamilton: The Man Who Made Modern America, the landmark New-York Historical Society exhibition on its last stop of a 40-city tour. The exhibition is on view now 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. The exhibition Alexander Hamilton: The Man Who Made Modern America was organized by the New-York Historical Society, the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History and the American Library Association with major funding from the National Endowment for the Humanities.

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