SPRING 2026 BUCHANAN LECTURE SERIES

REVOLUTIONS

This semester's Honors Lecture Series, themed "Revolutions," offers a dynamic exploration of transformative moments across history, science, politics, and culture.

From the American Revolution's impact on Tennesseans to the global reverberations of revolutionary republics like Haiti and the U.S., each lecture invites students to reconsider what it means to challenge the status quo. Faculty from diverse disciplines, including chemistry,

aerospace, music, and art, illuminate revolutions in thought, technology, and expression, while special sessions like the Declaration of Independence printing and student presentations will bring history to life.

The series culminates in a celebration of student scholarship and opportunities for global engagement, making Spring 2026 a semester of bold ideas and inspiring dialogue.

Celebrating the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence

Monday, January 26

Course Introduction: Considering Revolutions *Amy Sayward, Honors*

Monday, February 2

What the American Revolution Meant to Tennesseans at the Time Lynn Nelson, History

Monday, February 9

Abolition Before and After the Revolution Robb McDaniel, Political and Global Affairs

Monday, February 16

The Revolutionary Nature of the Declaration of Independence

John Vile, Honors

Monday, February 23

The Scientific Revolution at the Time of the American Revolution

Scott Handy, Chemistry

Monday, March 2

"Talkin' Bout a Revolution": Sharing Pasts in Our Times

Carroll Van West, Center for Historic Preservation

Monday, March 9

Spring Break—No Classes

Monday, March 16

Printing the Declaration of Independence Todd 350 Kathleen O'Connell, Art and Design

★ SPECIAL EVENT ★

Tuesday, March 17 at noon

Boston Evacuation Day

Noon-4 p.m., print copies of the Declaration of Independence in Todd 350

1 p.m., reading of the Declaration of Independence on the Honors College lawn

Monday, March 23

Lafayette in the American and French Revolutions Joan McRae, World Languages, Literatures, and Cultures

Monday, March 30

Revolutionary Republics: The United States and Haiti

Andrew Maginn, History

Monday, April 6

Revolutions: The Music of Liberty

Angela Tipps, Music Honors College artist-in-residence

Monday, April 13

Regulating a Revolution: A Case for Space Collin McDonald, Aerospace

Monday, April 20

National and International Fellowships for MTSU Students

Laura Clippard, Honors

★ SPECIAL EVENT ★

Sunday, April 26 at 3 p.m.

"An American Sampler" Concert

Featuring Angela Tipps and Delana Easley
Free event at Hinton Hall, Wright Music Building

Monday, April 27

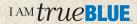
Honors Student Presentations







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