G.A.R. Murals

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Murals created using a fresco-secco method. Fresco-secco is painting directly onto plaster. Colloquially referred to as murals within all proposals and internal documents.



Southern Mural, C. 1880

North Mural

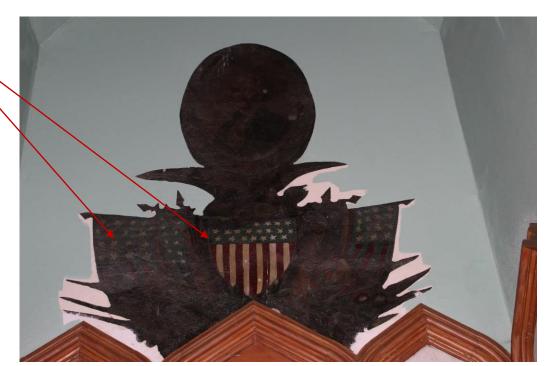
North Mural, 2013. Mural is too dark to see details.

The northern mural depicts Founding Father, and first President of the United States, George Washington. Historic photographs of this mural are not available or do not exist. Mural most likely improperly restored. Stars are asymmetrical and strips as much brighter than the rest of the painting.

Note the difference in colors and the misshaped stars

North Mural, 2019. Overhead light produces glare due to protective barrier.





George Washington

Born: February 22, 1732 Died: December 14, 1799 Accomplishments:

- Revolutionary War
 Commander-in-Chief
- First President of the United States
- Unifier between Northern and Southern states after the war



East Mural

The east mural depicts Admiral Farragut. Farragut served in the American Civil War and proved to be vital to the Union cause. Historic photographs of this mural are not available or do not exist.



East Mural, 2013. Mural is too dark to see details





Admiral David Farragut

Born: July 5, 1801 Died: August 14, 1870 Accomplishments:

- Captured Port of New Orleans
- Famously defeated the Confederate fleet at the Battle of Mobile Bay
- Provided much needed artillery and supplies at the Battle of Vicksburg
- First U.S. Naval Officer to hold the rank of Full Admiral
- MOLLUS member #231

Missing stars will not be replaced.

South Mural

The south mural depicts President Abraham Lincoln. President during the war, and assassinated after, the G.A.R. held Lincoln in high regard. A single historic photograph is shown below.

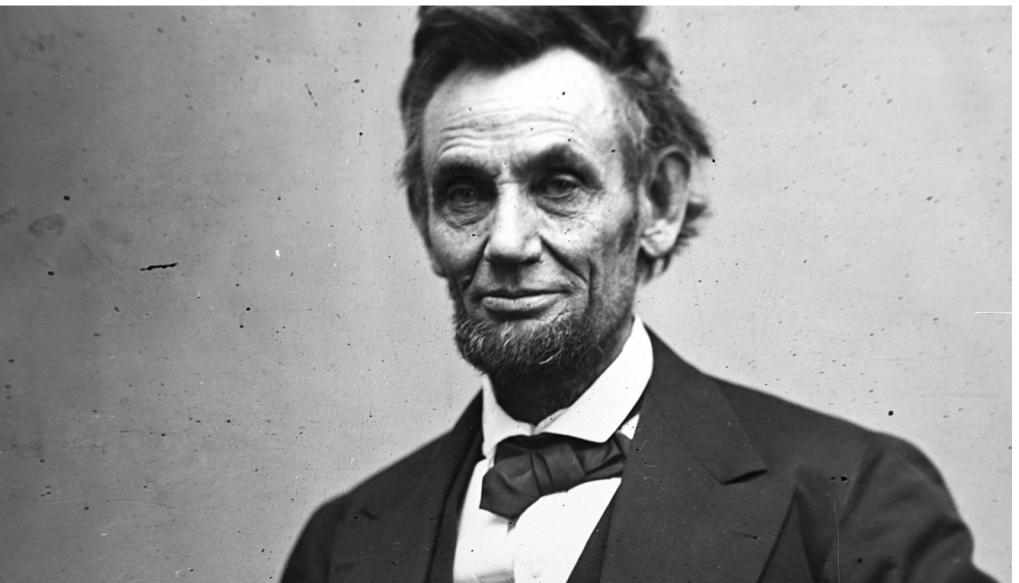
Missing portions under mural will not be replaced.





Southern Mural, C. 1880

Abraham Lincoln



Born: February 12, 1809 Died: April 15, 1865 Accomplishments:

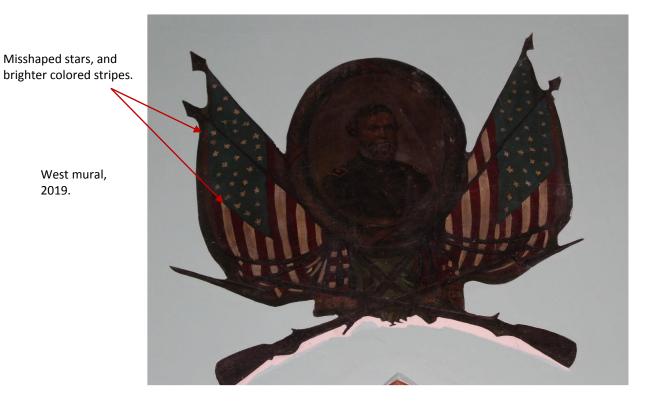
- President of the United States during the Civil War
- Pushed the 13th Amendment through Congress, granting freedom to millions of enslaved Americans
- Signed the Emancipation Proclamation which freed slaves in rebelling states

West Mural

The west mural depicts General George Thomas. Many of the members of G.A.R. Post No. 20 fought in regiments under General Thomas' command. A consultant believes this mural has undergone at least one round of restoration but was not done professionally. The stripes of the flags are much brighter than the others, and the stars are not symmetrical.



West mural, 2013. Mural is too dark to see details, but flags are prevalent.



General George Thomas

Born: July 31, 1816 Died: March 28, 1870 Accomplishments:

- Civil War General
- "The Rock of Chickamauga"
- Utilized federal forces to stem KKK activities
- Developed strategies to protect the newly freed slaves in southern states
- Argued against southern revisionism of the war

