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Friends of the Library Lecture: Buffalo Bill and the Mormons

**Wednesday, March 25 | 6:00 p.m. |
Merrill-Cazier Library, Room 101**

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The Friends of the Utah State University Merrill-Cazier Library will host a free public program exploring the surprising relationship between Buffalo Bill Cody and the early Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Historian Brent M. Rogers will share insights from his new book, *Buffalo Bill and the Mormons*, tracing the intersections between William F. "Buffalo Bill" Cody and the Latter-day Saints from 1846 through 1917. Cody began his stage career in 1872 and gained early notoriety by performing anti-Mormon dramas. Yet by the early 1900s, he was actively recruiting Latter-day Saints to help

build infrastructure and encourage growth in the region surrounding Cody, Wyoming.

Rogers will discuss the fascinating trajectory that took America's most famous celebrity from foe to friend of the Latter-day Saints, while exploring the cultural, political, environmental, and economic history of the American West.

Event Details

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Wednesday, March 25
- **Time:**
6:00 p.m.
- **Location:**
Room 101, Merrill-Cazier Library, Utah State University, Logan, Utah

This event is free and open to the public.