

A Short Bibliography for Faith on the Mall

For a history of the entire National Mall up to 2007, which I relied upon for both my novels, "The Washington National Mall" by Peter R. Penszer has been extremely helpful and has many photographs.

For the historical period of *Faith on the Mall*, Andrew Delbanco's *The War Before the War* was my best resource - very well detailed along with excellent commentary by Delbanco.

The history of the U.S. Exploring Expedition or Wilkes Expedition that is engaging is *Sea of Glory* by National Book Award winner Nathaniel Philbrick.

For those interested in a detailed history of the Smithsonian Building, Richard Stamm's *The Castle: An Illustrated History of the Smithsonian Building* is excellent.

While I of course was able to glean from the internet a lot of background information on real people in my book, I also found lesser known books that helped on particular topics:

The Smithsonian Castle and the Seneca Quarry by Garrett Peck

The Story the Soldiers Wouldn't Tell: Sex in the Civil War by Thomas p. Lowry, M.D.

The Boys War: Confederate and Union Soldiers Talk About the Civil War by Jim Murphy

The Lady Nurse of Ward E by Amanda Akin Stearns

And, the very first book I read before writing FOTM was *Uncle Tom's Cabin* by Harriet Beecher Stowe.