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# Armageddon, Arabia, and the Modern Middle East

**Presented by Brian L. Steed**

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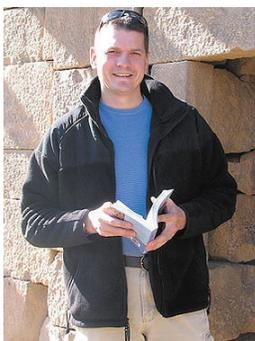
The Stove Factory Ballroom

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Leavenworth, Kansas

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In this 15th lecture in the series Brian L. Steed will discuss events from WWI in the Middle East. His presentation, “Armageddon, Arabia, and the Modern Middle East,” will provide background and context for the modern world by providing an understanding of the events of WWI in the region which set the foundation for many of the challenges currently existing today.



Brian L. Steed is a senior fellow with Narrative Strategies. He is a retired U.S. Army lieutenant colonel, former member of the Department of Military History at the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, and a former Middle East Foreign Area Officer. He served eight and a half consecutive years in the Middle East including an assignment as an officer in the Jordanian Armed Forces – the very force drawing its lineage from the great Arab Revolt. He has written numerous books on military theory and military history and cultural awareness. His most recent published books include *ISIS: An Introduction and Guide to the Islamic State*, *Voices of the Iraq War: Contemporary Accounts of Daily Life (Voices of an Era)*, and *Bees and Spiders: Applied Cultural Awareness and the Art of Cross-Cultural Influence*. Since returning from Iraq in March 2015 he has been speaking on understanding ISIS in their cultural and historical context. He is currently a Ph.D. student at the University of Missouri-Kansas City where he is working on a dissertation focused on the role of narrative and modern conflict.

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