



Rocky Mountain Map Society

The Rocky Mountain Map Society is a non-profit organization dedicated to the study and appreciation of maps and other items of cartographic interest. The Society was formed in 1991 and is based in Denver, Colorado.

May 8, 2018 – Professor Susan Schulten: “The Civil War through Maps”



Dr. Susan Schulten

**5:30 PM, Conference Room B2
Denver Public Library
This program is free and open
to the community**

The sectional crisis generated tremendous investment in maps, as both the Union and the emerging Confederacy raced to gather intelligence for an armed conflict. Political and military maps of strategy reveal that Union victory was anything but inevitable. Maps for the home front powerfully shaped how Americans understood the geography and meaning of the crisis. Moreover, the war modernized mapping in a way that has profound implications for our own time.

Susan Schulten is author of *Mapping the Nation: History and Cartography in Nineteenth-Century America* (2012) and *The Geographical Imagination in America, 1880-1950* (2001). She is also editor of *Constructing the American Past*, a two-volume history of America through one hundred maps – is forthcoming from the University of Chicago Press. Professor Schulten has taught at the University of Denver since 1996, and from 2010 to 2017, served as chair of the history department.