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Weekend of events marks Veterans Day at National Army Museum

Media invited for live morning broadcasts, onsite coverage, and interviews with spokespeople and curators

Fort Belvoir, Va.— The National Museum of the United States Army is offering the National Capital Region and visitors from across America a fitting way to honor Veterans Day with a weekend full of events November 10 - 12, and the ongoing special exhibit paying tribute to military working dogs. The special tributes to those who served our nation are all included with the Museum's free admission.

The full schedule of events and activities is posted on the Museum's website. Highlights include:

- **Family fun activities** include a craft activity of writing greeting cards to veterans, a history scavenger hunt, and the Museum's Tiny Troops Story Time (*Tiny Troops is best suited for children ages 3-6 years old*).
- **History Demonstrations** that explore a Soldier's life on and off the battlefield and take a closer look at uniforms and equipment.
- Veterans Resources featuring representatives sharing information about resources available to veterans and their families.
- Volunteer Showcase, where Museum volunteers share their personal artifacts and stories from their military service.
- **Documentary Screening** of PBS's documentary "American Veteran." The four-part series will run continuously; visitors can drop in at any time to watch. View <u>the trailer</u>.

The special exhibition <u>LOYAL SERVICE: Working Dogs At War</u> continues to be open at the Museum during Veterans Day weekend. The traveling exhibition features hand-carved wooden sculptures that symbolize the sacrifice of those dogs who have served in war alongside their service member handlers. *Important Exhibition Note: Some exhibition sculptures depict images that could be sensitive for children and veterans. Visitor discretion is advised.*

Veterans Day, November 11, marks the Museum's third anniversary. The 185,000-square-foot Museum immerses visitors in the story of the U.S. Army through compelling galleries, engaging exhibits, a multisensory 300-degree theater, tranquil rooftop garden, and hundreds of historic treasures rarely or neverbefore seen by the public.

The Museum is open every day of the year except December 25. Free, timed-entry tickets are preferred and available through the Museum's website at <u>theNMUSA.org</u>.

Media Information

Media interested in touring the Museum and covering Veterans Day weekend may contact public affairs officer Susan Smullen, <u>susan.l.fazakerley-smullen.civ@army.mil</u>.

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About the National Museum of the United States Army

The National Museum of the United States Army provides the only comprehensive portrayal of Army history and traditions through the eyes of the American Soldier. By preserving, interpreting, and exhibiting invaluable artifacts, the National Army Museum creates learning opportunities for all visitors and bonds the American people to their oldest military service. We are America's Army Museum.

The U.S. Army owns and operates the Museum. The Army Historical Foundation continues its fundraising role in support of the Museum and manages all retail, catering and special events.

For more information on the National Museum of the United States Army visit www.theNMUSA.org.

About The Army Historical Foundation

The Army Historical Foundation establishes, assists, and promotes programs and projects that preserve the history of the American Soldier and promote public understanding of and appreciation for the contributions by all components of the U.S. Army and its members. The Foundation serves as the Army's official fundraising entity for the Capital Campaign for the National Museum of the United States Army. The award-winning, LEED- certified Museum opened on November 11, 2020, at Fort Belvoir, Va., and honors the service and sacrifice of all American Soldiers who have served since the Army's inception in 1775. For more information on the Foundation and the National Museum of the United States Army, visit www.armyhistory.org.