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Special Events and Programs Announced for Veterans Day, Army-Navy Game and More at National Army Museum

Veterans Day events start this weekend with hands-on history activities, art workshops and Scouting merit badge programs

****Media invited for onsite interviews and live broadcasts****

Fort Belvoir, VA (November 2, 2026) – The National Museum of the United States Army and The Army Historical Foundation will mark Veterans Day with special programming starting this weekend, **November 7-8**, and on the national holiday, **November 11**. The activities kick-off a season of events, including the annual Army-Navy Game 5K and Watch Party on December 12.

From the personal stories and rare artifacts of our nation's first veterans on display in the landmark special exhibition, "A CALL TO Arms: The Soldier and the Revolutionary War," to a more recent chapter of the nation's history in the new exhibit "Steel and Stone: Engineering the Response to 9-11," visitors are invited to explore U.S. history through the eyes of America's Soldiers.

In addition to the special visitor activities and more than 11 permanent galleries, The Army Historical Foundation continues to present "American Revolution: The Augmented Exhibition". Using innovative technology, visitors walk through pivotal moments of the Revolutionary War, hear the echoes of history and feel the hope and determination that shaped a nation.

Museum admission and parking are always free.

Veterans Day events (November 7, 8, 11) include:

- **Greeting Card Activity | 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. and 1 – 3 p.m.**
  Create your own greeting card and write a special message to honor a veteran.
- **Hands-on History | 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. and 1 – 3 p.m.**
  Join a Museum educator to learn more about a World War I Soldier's life on and off the battlefield by exploring the food, clothing and equipment that made up a Soldier's load.
- **Army Innovations | 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. and 1 – 3 p.m.**
  Through hands-on activities, explore the physics of communication and the military innovations that kept the front lines connected.
- **Tiny Troops Story Time| 10:30 – 11 a.m. and 2:30 – 3 p.m.**
  Share in a read-aloud story time about military veterans in your communities, followed by a special activity.
- **Scouting America Merit Badge Workshop – American Heritage | 1 – 4 p.m.**
  Explore the Army's history and contributions to American life while working toward completing the American Heritage merit badge requirements. Scouts can register on the Museum's website. (*November 8 only*)
- **Art of Valor | 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.**
  Hosted by The Army Historical Foundation and the Patriot Art Foundation, veterans are invited to explore their creative skills in a welcoming, social setting. Participants can enjoy free art supplies, instruction, and lunch, plus a live painting demonstration by renowned artist Mary Whyte, founder of the Patriot Art Foundation. Learn more and register at ArmyHistory.org. (*November 7 only*)
- **Veteran Art Show and Book Sale | 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.**
  The Army Historical Foundation and the Patriot Art Foundation will host an art show featuring veteran-created artwork inspired by the theme "America 250." Select veteran artwork and new and used books will be available for purchase, with proceeds benefiting the artists and Foundation partners. (*November 7 & 8*)
- **Path of Remembrance Flag Display: All Day**
  Follow a special outdoor flag display along the Path of Remembrance and Warriors' Plaza. (*November 11*)

Learn more about Veterans Day at the Museum on the Museum's website at https://www.thenmusa.org/veterans-day-2026/

December highlights:

- **Army V. Navy 5K | December 12, 7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.**

Join the classic Army v. Navy rivalry by registering for The Army Historical Foundation's Army v. Navy 5K Road Race. Choose the race shirt that represents the team you'll be cheering on. Prior registration required at ArmyHistory.org.

- **6th Annual Army V. Navy Game Day Watch Party | December 12, 3 p.m. – 7 p.m.**
  Come cheer on your favorite team as The Army Historical Foundation celebrates and hosts its sixth annual watch party at the National Army Museum.
- **Toys for Tots Collection Drive | Through December 13**
  Bring a new and unwrapped toy and make a child's holiday brighter! Donations are being accepted at the Museum Store through Dec. 13.
- **End-of-Year Book Sale | December 19, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.**
  Browse a selection of new and used books at The Army Historical Foundation's End-of-Year Book Sale. Books are $5 each or $25 for a Foundation tote filled with books.

Learn more about Holiday Happenings at the Museum on the Museum's website at https://www.thenmusa.org/holiday-happenings/

The Museum offers recurring free weekly programming and educational experiences for visitors of all ages. Visit the Museum's online calendar for more details and to plan a visit.

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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.