



Americans In Wartime Museum

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Museum Unveils Master Plan

The Americans in Wartime Museum has completed an important phase of its master planning process. This issue of our newsletter features illustrations and conceptual renderings of the planned Museum, which will be located on a 70-acre site in Prince William County, Virginia.

Through the expertise of an internationally experienced planning and design team, the Americans in Wartime has defined the landscape architecture, Visitor's Center concept and floor plan, exhibit concepts, and the Landscapes of War layout. The design process is continuing at an even more detailed level but we wanted to share some of these initial plans and designs.

The master plan is a critically important step to advance the mission and vision of the new Museum facility. In fact, one of the unique aspects of the Museum will be its combination of active, engaging indoor and outdoor experiences, featuring full-scale replicas of wartime eras.

Our design team is led by Gallagher & Associates, which has a wealth of experience in creating memorable visitor experiences for museums and visitors centers around the world. The team also includes Mahan Rykiel Associates, a landscape architecture, urban design and planning firm; LSC Design Architects, which brings together architects, engineers, planners and interior designers; History Associates, Inc., a historical consulting firm; and Dewberry, which provides various professional services, from land planning to engineering and design.

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Save the Date:
2016 Open House
on September 24 and 25.
Check our website for more
details in the coming weeks!

Museum Conceptual Architectural Design



From Our Chairman: Your Support Will Move Us Forward

As you will see throughout this issue of our newsletter, the Americans in Wartime Museum is moving forward. We have put together a world-renowned team of experts in all aspects of museum planning and design. Through their efforts, a one-of-a-kind visitor experience will come to life at our site adjacent to Interstate 95 in Dale City, Virginia.

Of course, our capital campaign continues in coordination with the planning and design process. Through the leadership of our Board of Directors and our capital campaign team, we continue to connect with individuals, foundations, corporations and others who will financially support the Museum mission and vision. We have many generous donors to date and continue to raise funds for this amazing cultural and educational facility that will benefit the residents of Prince William County and the National Capital Region as well as local, national and international visitors.

Allan Cors, Chairman

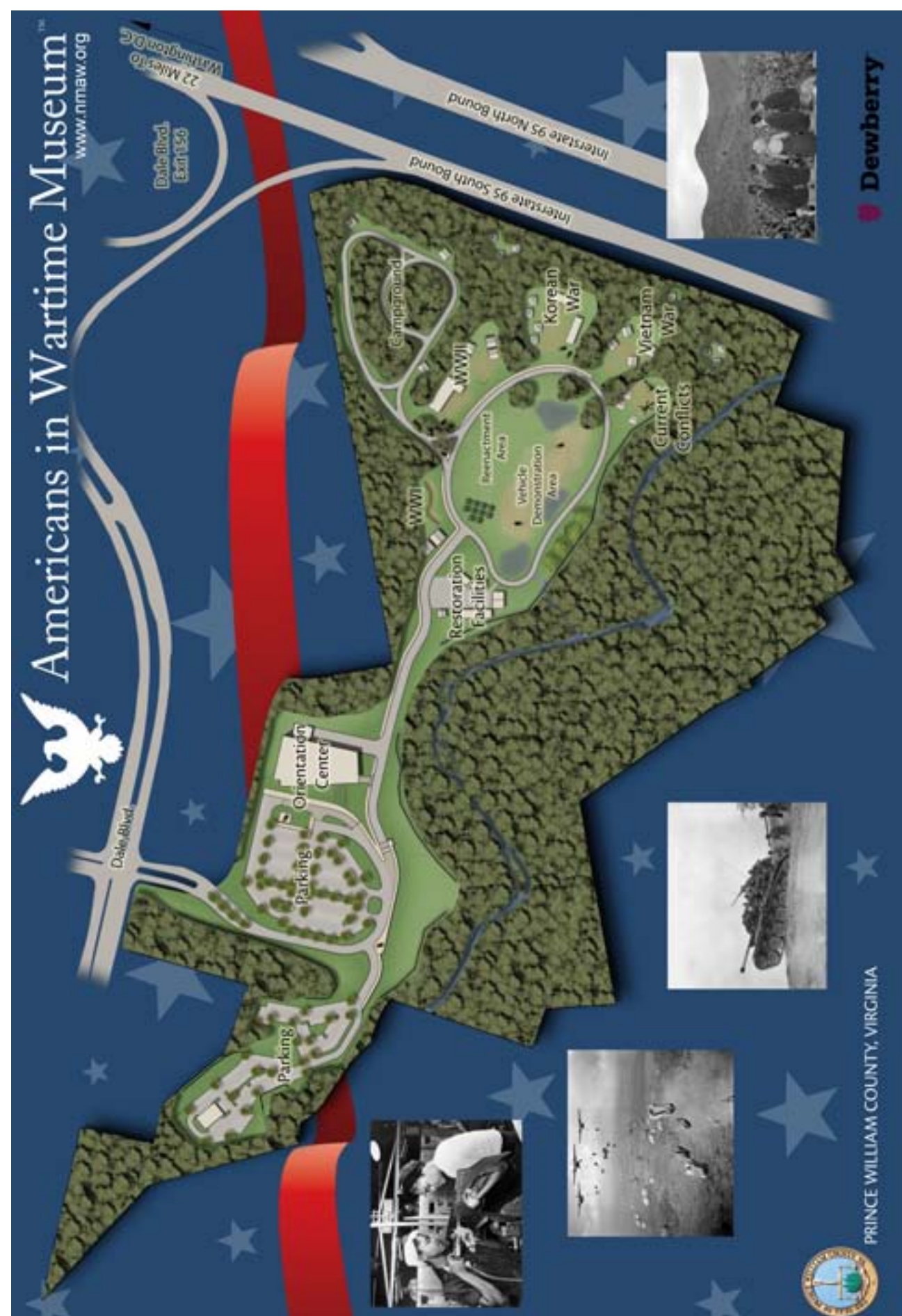
The truth is: none of our progress comes without your support—including your memberships, donations and passion! Please consider supporting the Americans in Wartime Museum at whatever level is appropriate for you:

1. **Become a member or give a gift membership.** Memberships begin at \$25/year, with a special \$75 annual membership for families. Members receive our newsletter and an invitation to the annual Open House, earn opportunities to win a ride in an armored vehicle, and support our mission.
2. **Contribute to the Museum** in your own name or make a Tribute Gift in honor of a loved one. Donations are tax-deductible and enable the Museum to fulfill our mission, build our permanent facility, and develop unique programs to preserve America's wartime experience.
3. You can **join or donate** at www.AmericansInWartime.org or complete the form on page 7 of this newsletter.

We need an army of supporters and members to champion the Americans in Wartime Museum, and we hope we can count on you!

Americans in Wartime Museum Mission

The Americans in Wartime Museum is a not-for-profit dedicated to telling the remarkable stories of American men and women who have met the challenge and served our nation during wartime – in all branches of the military and on the home front, from World War I to present-day conflicts. This uniquely American Museum will bring our nation's wartime stories to life through indoor and outdoor activities; authentic Landscapes of War; operational vehicles and aircraft; interactive multimedia programs; historical reenactments; an oral history recording studio; an array of public programs; and galleries filled with thousands of artifacts. Truly unique and engaging, visitors to the Museum will be fully immersed in the experiences of Americans in wartime.



The Museum Visitor Experience

American history has been written in the lives of ordinary citizens who have made extraordinary contributions to our nation. The Americans in Wartime Museum is dedicated to telling the remarkable stories of men and women who have met the challenge and served our nation during wartime.

Truly unique and engaging, the Museum experience will immerse visitors in several key messages:

- Americans have **consistently served during wartime**, and this service encompasses a wide variety of roles.
- War is not an isolated concept; it **touches all Americans** no matter the conflict.
- Americans exemplify values of **courage, sacrifice, honor, and service** in times of conflict, whether they are on the home front or serving overseas.

Main Level – Visitor Center Layout



Lower Level – Visitor Center Layout



Returning to Peace – Exhibit from Visitor Center



World War I – Exhibit from Landscapes of War



The Voices of Freedom Completes Landmark Year

The year 2015 was incredible for our Voices of Freedom oral history project. With our new mobile recording studio funded by a generous donor, the Museum has been able to record and preserve the personal wartime stories of American veterans, 9/11 survivors and first responders. From parades to air shows and veterans' gatherings, our Voices of Freedom team logged many miles and recorded amazing and memorable interviews.

The Voices of Freedom team completed 102 interviews during 2015, bringing the total interviews since the program's inception to 173. Copies of the video interviews are provided to the veteran, retained by the Americans in Wartime Museum and provided to The Library of Congress' Veterans History Project. Many of these oral histories can be viewed on our website at www.AmericansInWartime.org by clicking on "Share Your Story."

In addition to community parades and veterans' events, The Voices of Freedom traveled to locations in Maryland, Pennsylvania and Virginia in 2015. From the many people who approached us during our travels to the friendly waves and 'thumbs up' we received on the road, we know The Voices of Freedom also serves as a "rolling billboard" to spread the word about the Americans in Wartime Museum.

The Museum has made interviewing World War II veterans a priority in order to ensure that we capture the stories of this inspiring generation of veterans. In 2015, 40% of The Voices of Freedom interviews were with WWII veterans. 27% were with Vietnam veterans; 16% were 9/11 first responders and witnesses; and the remaining 17% were with veterans from other conflicts such as Desert Storm, Korea and Operation Iraqi Freedom.



- Some notable interviews conducted in 2015 included:
- A Navy helicopter pilot who flew in the Iranian hostage rescue attempt, Operation Eagle Claw.
 - A Tuskegee Airman, who holds the Air Force record for number of combat missions flown over the course of three wars.
 - A mortar man who was severely wounded minutes after landing on Omaha Beach.

If YOU would like to share your wartime story, visit our website or email gpass@nmaw.org.

Earlier this year, our Voices of Freedom team delivered more than 30 video interviews to Bob Patrick, Director of the Veterans History Project at the Library of Congress

Join Our Cause!

To complete our world-class Museum, we need the support of generous friends, partners and Museum members. Having secured donations for our 70-acre site, our initial site work and our military vehicle collection, we are now in the midst of Phase 2 of our Founding Campaign. Completion of this phase will allow us to design and construct our Orientation Center, two or three Landscapes of War, and our restoration facilities. We hope you will consider supporting the Americans in Wartime Museum in one of the following ways:

- 1. Join or Renew Your Annual Membership** - Complete the information below, or visit our website at www.AmericansInWartime.org and click on the "Become a Member" button. Our members are an important part of the team!
- 2. Donate to the Museum** - The Museum is incorporated as a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Gifts of support may take many forms, ranging from a gift or pledge of cash, a gift of appreciated securities, a willed bequest, life insurance benefits or a Tribute Gift in honor of a beloved family member, friend or fellow veteran.

Membership Application

Help us make the Americans in Wartime Museum a reality. You can support our cause by becoming a member, donating or renewing your membership today! Join or make a tax-deductible gift online at www.AmericansInWartime.org or mail your membership application to the address below. Make checks payable to "NMAW."

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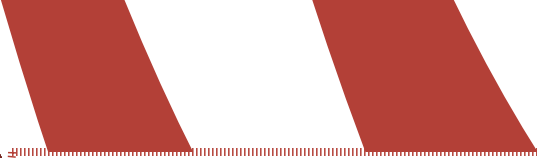

Your annual membership benefits include invitations to special events, the Museum newsletter, and the knowledge that your gift will help the Museum achieve its mission.



1) I Wish to Join or Renew:	Amount
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2) I wish to donate \$_____ to the Museum.

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