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Manufacturing Victory: The Arsenal of Democracy Programs at the Mercer Museum

DOYLESTOWN, PA – The Mercer Museum is pleased to announce the calendar of events for community programming that will accompany the new exhibit, *Manufacturing Victory: The Arsenal of Democracy*, which opens Saturday, February 2, 2019 and highlights stories from the Home Front of WWII.

These community programs include lectures from Bucks County scholars, special behind-the-scenes tours of the exhibit and a Bucks County film premiere of the *Invisible Warriors* documentary directed by Gregory Cooke, which showcases the inspirational stories of an untold generation of African-American WWII heroes.

The Mercer Museum offers free admission to the *Manufacturing Victory* exhibit for veterans and discounted admission to exhibit-related programming.

Meet the Curator: Exhibit Tours
Wednesdays: February 6, March 13 & April 10, 2019
6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Take advantage of one of three exclusive tours of our new *Manufacturing Victory: The Arsenal of Democracy* exhibit led by Vice President of Collections and Interpretation Cory Amsler. These white-glove tours showcase collections highlighted in the exhibit, most of which have never been on display. Tickets are \$15 General Admission/\$10 Members/\$10 Veterans and available at mercermuseum.org.

Sentimental Journey: Love and the Sexual Revolution during World War II
Wednesday, February 13, 2019
6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Join Mercer Museum Library staff member Melissa Jay as she explores the sweet tales of young men and women in love as the country went about the business of war. This presentation

includes a lecture, artifacts from the museum's collection, and engaging activities. Tickets are \$10 General Admission/\$5 Members/\$5 Veterans and available at mercermuseum.org.

Final Resting Place: Stories of the WWII Fallen

Thursday, February 28, 2019

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

After World War II, loved ones on the American home front faced heartbreaking decisions on the final resting place of the fallen. These post-war stories weave together experiences of servicemen, family members, American cemeteries abroad, and the men and women who maintain those resting places today. Tickets are \$15 General Admission/\$10 Members/\$10 Veterans and available at mercermuseum.org.

Bucks County Premiere: *Invisible Warriors* Documentary Film Screening

Saturday, March 9, 2019

2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Join the Mercer Museum for an historic documentary film screening of *Invisible Warriors: African American Women in World War II* and hear the inspiring stories of an untold generation of African-American war heroes. The film's director, educator and historian Gregory Cooke, will conduct a Q&A after the screening. Tickets are \$20 General Admission/\$10 Members/\$10 Veterans and available at mercermuseum.org.

Reporting Pioneers: The Woman War Correspondent's Journey

Thursday, March 21, 2019

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Celebrate Women's History Month at this special evening presentation highlighting female World War II correspondents. This courageous group of women overcame incredible odds to record the war's history for future generations. Tickets are \$10 General Admission/\$5 Members/ \$5 Veterans and available at mercermuseum.org.

World War II: From Home Front to Frontline

Thursday, April 4, 2019

6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Margaret Montet, Information Literacy Librarian and Adjunct Faculty at Bucks County Community College, offers a multimedia presentation that is equal parts history, music and personal travelogue. Explore the influences of World War II on American culture. Tickets are \$15 General Admission/\$10 Members/ \$10 Veterans and available at mercermuseum.org.

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About the Mercer Museum & Fonthill Castle

Located in Doylestown, Bucks County, PA, the Mercer Museum and Fonthill Castle are historic castles celebrating the legacy of Henry Chapman Mercer (1856-1930), American archaeologist, anthropologist, ceramicist and scholar. Both sites are operated by the Bucks County Historical Society.

The Mercer Museum, one of Bucks County's premier cultural attractions and a Smithsonian affiliate, features both local and national seasonal exhibits as well as a core museum collection of over 50,000 pre-Industrial tools. This permanent collection offers visitors a unique window into pre-Industrial America through sixty different crafts and trades, and is one of the world's most comprehensive portraits of American material culture.

The Mercer Museum is located at 84 South Pine Street in Doylestown, PA and is open year-round. For up-to-date schedule and admission information, please visit mercermuseum.org or call 215-345-0210.

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