History Center and Fort Pitt Museum to Honor Veterans Day with Patriotic Activities

- The History Center will host local veterans and visitors for a flag folding ceremony-
- The Fort Pitt Museum will present living history demonstrations during the Steel City Salutes the Troops event in Point State Park-

PITTSBURGH, Nov. 7, 2017 – The Senator John Heinz History Center, an affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution, will honor Veterans Day with patriotic activities at both the History Center and the Fort Pitt Museum on Saturday, Nov. 11.

**Flag Ceremony – Heinz History Center**

At noon on Saturday, Nov. 11, local veterans and museum visitors will gather in the History Center’s Great Hall for a moving and patriotic flag ceremony. The ceremony will include the unfurling of a 36-foot American flag, the singing of the National Anthem, a moment of silence for those who have served our country, and the ceremonial folding of the flag.

This event is included in regular museum admission.

**Living History Demonstrations – Fort Pitt Museum**

The Fort Pitt Museum, part of the Heinz History Center’s museum system, will present living history demonstrations in Point State Park from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 11, as part of Steel City Salutes the Troops. Re-enactors will present military drills through the ages, demonstrating how soldiers marched in formation, fired muskets, and played military music in the 18th, 19th, and 20th centuries.

The Veterans Day living history demonstrations are free and open to the public.

The Senator John Heinz History Center, an affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution and the largest history museum in Pennsylvania, presents American history with a Western Pennsylvania connection. The Western Pennsylvania Sports Museum is a museum within a museum, comprehensively presenting the region’s remarkable sports story through hundreds of artifacts and interactive experiences for visitors of all ages. The History Center and Sports Museum are located at 1212 Smallman Street in the city’s Strip District, and are open every day from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The History Center’s museum system includes the Sports Museum; the Fort Pitt Museum in historic Point State Park; and Meadowcroft Rockshelter and Historic Village, a National Historic Landmark located in Avella, Pa. in Washington County. More information is available at [www.heinzhistorycenter.org](http://www.heinzhistorycenter.org).

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