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## **War is Over: Last Chance to See the History Center's Groundbreaking Vietnam War Exhibition**

**- The exhibit, which features a "Huey" helicopter and a replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, will be on display through Sunday, Sept. 22 -**

PITTSBURGH, Sept. 4, 2019 – Less than three weeks remain to see the groundbreaking ***The Vietnam War: 1945-1975*** exhibition at the Smithsonian-affiliated Senator John Heinz History Center before it closes on Sunday, Sept. 22.

Developed in partnership with the New-York Historical Society, ***The Vietnam War: 1945-1975*** exhibit uses powerful photography, fascinating artifacts, and more than 20 audio/visual displays to tell the deeply personal stories of the men and women who were impacted by the war, from the home front to the front lines.

Visitors can get an up-close look at a UH-1H "Huey" helicopter with a 48-foot rotor wingspan, along with a recreated 1960s living room, vibrant anti-war posters, and a replica of the Vietnam War Memorial that includes the names of 752 Americans killed during the war from eight counties in Western Pa.

All veterans and active duty military receive half-off museum admission (\$9 compared to the regular \$18 admission fee) throughout the run of the exhibit.

The History Center will host a full slate of ***Vietnam War*** programs during the exhibit's final weeks.

### **Sept. 5 – Vietnam War Speaker Series Concludes with Author Lan Cao**

On Sept. 5 at 7 p.m., author Lan Cao will discuss her experiences as a Vietnamese refugee and the war's lasting effects on the Vietnamese people in the final installment of the Vietnam War Speaker Series. Cao, the Betty Hutton Williams Professor of International Economic Law at Chapman University, is the author of the novels "Monkey Bridge" (1997) and "The Lotus and the Storm" (2014).

Tickets are \$20 per person and can be purchased at [heinzhistorycenter.org/events](http://heinzhistorycenter.org/events).

**Sept. 18 – An Evening with Tim O’Brien**

On Sept. 18 at 7 p.m., the museum will welcome Vietnam War veteran and nationally acclaimed author Tim O’Brien for a special evening program. O’Brien is the award-winning author of “The Things They Carried” – considered to be one of the preeminent pieces of Vietnam War literature.

Tickets are \$20 for general admission and \$10 for veterans, active duty service members, students, and History Center members. Purchase at [heinzhistorycenter.org/events](http://heinzhistorycenter.org/events).

**Sept. 20 – Open-Late Film Series: The Deer Hunter**

The History Center’s Open-Late Film Series will conclude with a screening of the 1978 film “The Deer Hunter” on Sept. 20. At 6:30 p.m., History Center staff and local veterans will facilitate a community conversation to discuss what the movie gets right, where it falls short, and how that influences public understanding of the Vietnam War. The screening of the film will begin at 7 p.m.

Admission to the Open-Late Film Series screening is “pay as you wish.”

To learn more, visit [heinzhistorycenter.org/vietnam](http://heinzhistorycenter.org/vietnam).

**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 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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