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National Veterans Memorial and Museum Hosts "Light During Wartime" Exhibition Featuring Combat Photography by Stacy Pearsall

COLUMBUS, Ohio – The National Veterans Memorial and Museum (NVMM) is proud to showcase "Light During Wartime: The Combat Photography of Stacy Pearsall," opening on Friday, June 13. This compelling exhibition showcases a collection of photographs that highlight Pearsall's unique painterly use of light and shadow.

Pearsall served with the U.S. Air Force Combat Photography Unit from 2003 to 2008, during which she captured the experiences of U.S. military troops and local communities. Her work portrays not only moments of action but also the camaraderie, rest, and reflection that occur in between.

After being wounded in combat, Pearsall retired from the Air Force in 2008. Her impactful "Veterans Portrait Project" is featured as part of the NVMM's permanent exhibition in the Great Hall of the Museum.



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Pearsall began her career as an Air Force photographer at the age of 17 and has traveled to more than 41 countries. She has received numerous accolades, including the Bronze Star Medal and Air Force

Commendation with Valor for her combat actions in Iraq.



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As a Nikon Ambassador and Ilford Master, her work has been exhibited at prestigious venues such as The Pentagon and the Smithsonian National Portrait Gallery.

The Veterans Portrait Project, which began during Pearsall's rehabilitation from combat injuries, has documented approximately 8,500 veterans across the nation. Her photography books, "Shooter: Combat from Behind the Camera" and "A Photojournalist's Field Guide: In the Trenches with Combat Photographer Stacy Pearsall," have received worldwide acclaim.

About the National Veterans Memorial and Museum

The National Veterans Memorial and Museum takes visitors on a narrative journey telling individual stories and sharing experiences of Veterans from all military branches throughout history. The National Veterans Memorial and Museum pays tribute to the sacrifices of men and women in service and their families. History is presented through a dynamic, participatory experience with photos, letters and personal effects, multi-media presentations, and interactive exhibits. Together, these elements link our national story of service to the larger context of the world. The NVMM is located at 300 W. Broad St., Columbus, Ohio 43215. It is open Wednesday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.