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## ***20 Years: Remembering the One. Remembering Them All.*** **Opens August 4 at the National Veterans Memorial and Museum**

(COLUMBUS, Ohio) – The [National Veterans Memorial and Museum](https://www.nationalvmm.org), in partnership with [Honor365](https://www.honor365.org), today announced the August 4 opening of *20 Years: Remembering the One. Remembering Them All*, a commemoration of 9/11 featuring a World Trade Center replica. Presented at the museum with support from the Ohio Arts Council, the exhibition was created to remember and honor the fallen, first responders and heroes of 9/11. After a nationwide tour, Columbus is the exhibit's last stop before going on display in New York for the 9/11 anniversary.

The public also is invited to attend an **Honor Walk Ceremony** on August 6 at 10 a.m. at the Museum. The one-hour program and walk through Memorial Grove will honor the 9/11 fallen and heroes from Ohio.

“This exhibit and Honor Walk provide our community an opportunity to remember the fallen and recall the brave actions of those who sacrificed their lives in service to others,” said Lt. General Michael Ferriter, president and CEO of the National Veterans Memorial and Museum. “As we reflect, I encourage you to check in on one another and thank our first responders and Veterans who continue to protect us.”

“We understand first responder and Veteran suicide is of great concern, and that the world has gone through so much recently,” said Dr. Ninzel Rasmuson, Honor365 founder. “From firefighters, law enforcement, EMS, 911 dispatchers, Veterans, our troops and many others who are on the front line helping those in need, the stress from this line of work can take its toll. Honor365 will continue to support the wellness of those we serve by helping those who help us every day.”



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The World Trade Center replica exhibit provides a 360-degree view of the buildings prior to 9/11 and will be on display in the Museum's Great Hall. An "Oath to Live" panel within the exhibition offers visitors an opportunity to sign an oath to live every day to support Honor365's vision of a world without suicide.

Created by Daan Van Der Steijn of Deurne, The Netherlands, the 9/11 replica was gifted to Honor365 on behalf of the United States. Van Der Steijn, an aspiring and talented woodworker and artist, was just three months old on September 11, 2001. After watching the documentary, "102 Minutes That Changed America," on Dutch television, he became captivated by the heroic efforts of the first responders.

"The tragedy touched me deeply and it seemed unreal to see two passenger airplanes fly into the World Trade Center and kill that many people," said Van Der Steijn. "I wanted to create a project as a memorial to all that passed away." By age 19, he completed the stunning World Trade Center replica and is now pursuing training as a volunteer firefighter.

*Editor's Note: Media preview available August 3 from 10 a.m. to noon. Dr. Ninezel Rasmuson, Founder of Honor365; and Lt. General Michael Ferriter, U.S. Army (Retired), president and CEO of the National Veterans Memorial and Museum will be available for interviews.*

### [Honor365](#)

Honor365's mission is to provide resource and referral support to Veterans, first responders and their families. Our vision: A world without suicide. Our vision includes an "Oath to Live" movement. You can learn more about taking an Oath to Live on our website, Facebook at Honor365 or Instagram @oathtolive\_official and @honorvet365. Honor365 proceeds from this nationwide tour are dedicated to supporting mental wellness for Veterans, first responders and their families. The 9/11 exhibit is focused on healing, uniting and educating the rising generation.

### [Ohio Arts Council](#)

*20 Years: Remembering the One. Remembering Them All.* is made possible in part by state tax dollars allocated by the Ohio Legislature to the Ohio Arts Council (OAC). The OAC is a state agency that funds and supports quality arts experiences to strengthen Ohio communities culturally, educationally, and economically.

### [National Veterans Memorial and Museum](#)

The National Veterans Memorial and Museum is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that takes visitors on a narrative journey telling individual stories and sharing experiences of Veterans from all military branches throughout history. The Memorial and Museum also honors the sacrifices of men and women in service and their families. History is presented in a dynamic, participatory experience with photos, letters and personal effects, multimedia presentations, interactive exhibits, online events and digital content. Together, these elements link our national story to the larger context of our world. For more information, please visit [NationalVMM.org](http://NationalVMM.org).

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