

## **The Army Theater**

Considered a "must see" venue expected to attract in excess of 80% of all Museum visitors, *The Army Theater* is a state-of-the-art theater-in-the round designed to portray the story of the United States Army and its Soldiers through a sweeping panorama of imagery and sound. It will engage, educate, and entertain using a variety of dramatic theatrical techniques that will allow visitors to suspend disbelief and heighten their emotional connections to past and present events.

The Army Theater will be prominently located immediately adjacent to the Soldiers' Stories Gallery and can be visited at any point during a visitor's stay. The awe-inspiring presentation will last approximately a quarter-hour, commencing every 20 minutes. Visitors awaiting performances can gain familiarity with Army structure and terminology at an interactive Army 101 kiosk.

With fixed and accessible seating for 125, the *Army Theater* will provide stunning sweeps of kaleidoscopic introductory images tracing the vast enterprise that is the U.S. Army. The 360-degree projection display will surround the audience with sights and sounds ranging over the transformational experience of basic training to combat in defense of our nation, from peacekeeping and humanitarian assistance to the advent of technologies and services that have transformed Americans' daily lives.



The versatility of the *Army Theater*'s design will also allow it to meet the multi-purpose needs during non-Museum hours, to include special events, presentations, ceremonies, and other meetings and lectures.

