



This gallery is comprised of six smaller galleries that will allow visitors to experience a comprehensive, focused series of stories that get to the heart of the Army's role as a fighting force at home and abroad. Visitors will receive an immersive experience that allows them to get at the deeper truths about combat, opportunities to learn about the evolution of tactics and technology over time, and be exposed to the first-hand accounts of the Soldiers who fought in all of our nation's major conflicts.

Fighting for the Nation Gallery



Conceptual Rendering of Total War exhibit within Preserving the Nation

1775: Founding the Nation

Explores the Revolutionary War and the War of 1812 allowing visitors to discover America's roots, the origins and formation of the Continental Army, and to learn about the Army's development as a professional force during the War of 1812.

1861: Preserving the Nation

Gives visitors an appreciation for the impact of the Civil War as the defining event of the 19th century and show how the conflict fundamentally changed the relationship between the Army and American Society.

1898: Nation Overseas

Details America's entry onto the world stage and the Army's role in helping turn the tide during the Great War. It is organized into four distinct spaces—"Entering the World Stage," "The Great War," "WWI Immersion," and "WWI Battlefield Experience."



French FT17 Renault Light Tank located within the Nation Overseas gallery.

1939: Global War

Covers World War II, exploring the Army's full involvement in the War highlighting technologies and tactics that led to an Allied victory, the story of the Army in Europe, North Africa, the Pacific, and the Manhattan Project.



Conceptual Rendering of World War I exhibit within Global War

1946: Cold War

Showcases evocative imagery of civil defense symbols, mushroom clouds, duck and cover drills, with movie posters dramatizing the standoff between the Soviet bloc and America and its allies for over 40 years.

1991: Uncertain Battlefield

Chronicles the Army's new challenges: conducting peace operations while facing combat against new and unfamiliar forces on both conventional and unconventional battlefields across the globe.