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Celebrate Veteran's Day at the Neville Public Museum!

Green Bay, WI—October 29, 2012— Celebrate Veteran's Day at the Neville Public Museum! On Sunday, November 11th, all active duty and retired personnel, as well as their immediate family members, will receive free admission to the Museum.

We invite veterans and others to experience the powerful exhibit, *Who are the Hmong?* which features a strong Veteran's component. In the early 1960s, the Hmong in Laos were caught up in the battle between communists and anti-communists. The Hmong became allies in the U.S.-led effort to defeat the North Vietnamese. Hmong soldiers were trained and supplied by the CIA to fight the communists in a conflict known as the Secret War. When the United States left Southeast Asia, the communists overran Laos. Hmong villages were burned and families killed. The Hmong fled to Thailand to live in refugee camps and many were stuck in the camps for years. The exhibit documents this phase of their story with photos and artifacts from refugee camps. In addition, many Hmong and U.S. vets maintain friendships - forged on the battlefield - to this day.

An audiovisual presentation bisects the *Allies and Refugees* area where nine interviews describe war experiences, fleeing to refugee camps, living in the camps, migrating and adapting to America and growing up in America as the son or the daughter of a Hmong immigrant.

Editorial expansion of story available upon request.

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