

# Texas Military Forces News

## "Texans Defending Texas"

#### MEDIA ADVISORY

Media wishing to cover the re-enactments are invited to do so beginning at 11:00 a.m. or 2:00 p.m. and must arrive 30 minutes before the show to allow for parking and coordination.

Members of the media are required to RSVP no later than Friday, Nov. 8, 2013, by 5:00 p.m. with the TXMF Museum at 512-782-5659 or 512-934-4059.

Camp Mabry is accessed at the Maintenance Drive gate from 35th Street and media will be required to show credentials at the gate.

#### FOR IMMEDIATE PUBLIC RELEASE:

### World War II Re-enactments Kick off Saturday, Ends Sunday

**CAMP MABRY, Texas** (Nov. 5, 2013) – Close Assault 1944 is scheduled to kick off on Saturday, Nov. 9, 2013, and conclude Sunday, Nov. 10, 2013, at Camp Mabry, to honor the service and sacrifice of America's veterans and focus on the history of the 36th Infantry Division of the Texas Army National Guard during World War II. Show times are at 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. both days.

The free program, now in its seventh year, features members of the Texas Military Forces Living History Detachment exhibiting the uniform and equipment worn by the American GI in the European Theater of the Second World War, as well as those of his German opponent. In addition, the two-day event will provide guests the opportunity to witness firing demonstrations of the most famous U.S. and German small arms of World War II, as well as see everything from tents and radio equipment to GI baseball gloves and mess kits and operational vehicles such as an M4 Sherman Tank, M3 Halftrack and Jeeps.

The museum will also be offering a sneak peak of its new 2,600 square-feet exhibit on the history of the Texas Military Forces in the 19th century. This exhibit will feature more than 100 artifacts and 28 historic flags from the Texas Revolution, the Texas Republic, the Texas Navy, the American Civil War and the Spanish-American/Philippine-American Wars. The formal ceremony opening the exhibit is scheduled on Monday, Nov. 11, at 1 p.m.

The event will take place rain or shine and bleachers will be available for seating. Camp Mabry is open to the public and adults only need to show a valid photo ID, such as a driver's license or a military ID, to enter.

For more information, please visit the museum's web site at <u>www.texasmilitaryforcesmuseum.org</u>. The museum is open Wednesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and will be open on Veterans Day.

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The mission of the Texas Military Forces (TXMF) is to provide the Governor and the President with ready and trained forces in support of the citizens of Texas and State and Federal civil/military authorities at home and abroad.

The Texas Military Forces are commanded by the Adjutant General of Texas, the state's senior military official appointed by the governor, and is comprised of the Texas Military Department (formerly the Adjutant General's Department), the Texas Army National Guard (TXARNG), the Texas Air National Guard (TXANG), the Texas State Guard (TXSG) and the Domestic Operations Command (DOMOPS).

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