

# 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. 7, 2014, 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

**AUSTIN, Texas** (Nov. 6, 2014) – Close Assault 1944 will kick off on Saturday, Nov. 8, 2014 and conclude Sunday, Nov. 9, 2014 at Camp Mabry, in Austin, to honor the service and sacrifice of America's veterans and focus on the history of the 36th Infantry Division, 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 eighth 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, and 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.

Additionally, the 45,000 square-foot Texas Military Forces Museum will be showcasing its new 3,600 square-feet exhibit on the history of the Texas Military Forces in the 19th Century. This exhibit, almost two years in the making, features more than 100 artifacts and 28 historic flags from the Texas Revolution, the Texas Republic, the Texas Navy, the Civil War and the Spanish-American/Philippine-American Wars.

This free 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 to enter post. For more information, visit the museum's web site at <a href="https://www.texasmilitaryforcesmuseum.org">www.texasmilitaryforcesmuseum.org</a>. The museum is open Wednesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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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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