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**Army Corps of Engineers, Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum Present
“Remembrance: A Memorial” Exhibit**

(Pooler, GA) Savannah District U.S. Army Corps of Engineers invites the public to view “Remembrance: A Memorial Exhibit” August 3 – August 15 at the Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum. This exhibit will be displayed in the Museum’s Rotunda viewing hours are Monday – Sunday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

The memorial is an ongoing communal artistic response to human loss as a result of the war in Iraq and Afghanistan. The arts and the process of a shared art making experience, have the potential to engage a community in a very profound way. “Participation in the creation of Remembrance encourages discussions of beliefs, perceptions and observations, as these concepts relate to loss, memory and war,” said Exhibit Director Merilee Bowers of Massachusetts.

The memorial allows participants to become both creator and observer. The individual first fashions the abstract figurative sculpture to represent the fallen soldier in community with others. The figure is then joined with communal sculpture and becomes part of the gestalt of Remembrance. The individual then re-visits the experience of creation when confronted by the collective mass of figures: he seeks out “his person,” reflects on the moments of his experiences, and shares them with others. In this way, the fallen soldier is initially remembered and then continues to be reflected upon as more people share in this collaborative artistic endeavor.

In addition to the exhibit, Savannah District U.S. Army Corps will be holding a Figure Creation Workshop on August 4 from 4:30 – 6:00 pm. For more information on this workshop please contact Mindy Anderson with Savannah District U.S. Army Corps of Engineers’ Public Affairs Office at 912-652-5450.

It is the perfect time to come see the Museum’s newest addition a WWII era B-17 bomber. The airplane named, “*City of Savannah*” is on display in the Museum’s Combat Gallery. Activated in 1942 in Savannah, GA the Eighth Air Force was a critical strike element in World War II and remains an active force today. The Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum is one of the world’s most powerful Museum experiences as it honors the Mighty Eighth’s proud legacy by preserving the stories of courage, character and patriotism displayed by the men and women of the Eighth Air Force from World War II to present.

Just minutes from Historic Savannah the Museum is located at 175 Bourne Avenue in Pooler, right off of I-95 at Exit 102. The Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum is open daily from 9 AM until 5 PM except on New Year’s Day, Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas. For more information, please visit www.mightyeighth.org or call 912-748-8888.

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