TWICE THE EXCITEMENT AT THE NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER

THE INTERNATIONAL SPY MUSEUM’S
SPIES, TRAITORS & SABOTEURS: FEAR AND FREEDOM IN AMERICA
OPENS IN MARCH;
ART OF THE AMERICAN SOLDIER EXTENDED

Philadelphia, PA (December 6, 2010) – The National Constitution Center’s groundbreaking Art of the American Soldier exhibition will be extended through March 31, 2011, and will overlap with the launch of the Center’s spring exhibition, Spies, Traitors & Saboteurs: Fear and Freedom in America, marking the first time the Center will host two feature exhibitions simultaneously. Spies, Traitors & Saboteurs will be housed in a newly-created exhibition space on the Center’s lower level.

“This is an exciting opportunity for us to enhance the visitor experience,” said National Constitution Center President and CEO David Eisner. “Two world-class feature exhibitions just steps away from our highly-regarded core exhibition give Philadelphia a must-see March at the Center.”

From March 4 through May 30, 2011, visitors can explore Spies, Traitors & Saboteurs: Fear and Freedom in America. Created by the International Spy Museum, the exhibition dramatically illustrates the challenge of securing our nation without compromising the civil liberties upon which it was founded.

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Through artifacts, multimedia elements, and interactive exhibits, visitors will uncover stories of espionage, treason, and deception in the United States from 1776 to today. Guests will discover little-known accounts of foreign agents, militias, and radicals, and learn how responses to domestic attacks have driven counterintelligence measures that continue to affect our everyday lives.

Admission to *Spies, Traitors & Saboteurs* is $15 for adults, $14 for seniors (ages 65 and up) and students, and $11 for children (ages 4-12). Active military personnel and children ages 3 and under are free. Group rates are also available. Admission to the Center’s core exhibition, *The Story of We the People*, including the award-winning theater production “Freedom Rising,” is included.

Visitors to the Center in March also will have the opportunity to see *Art of the American Soldier*. From the *Wall Street Journal* and the *Los Angeles Times* to *USA Today* and *National Geographic Traveler*, *Art of the American Soldier* has garnered critical acclaim since making its world debut at the Center on September 24, 2010. The exhibition originally was slated to close on January 10, 2011.

“We are extremely proud of the *Art of the American Soldier* exhibition and pleased to share such a remarkable visual record with the public for an extended period of time,” added Eisner. “Given the accolades the exhibition has received, we feel strongly that more visitors need to be captivated by this breathtaking portrayal of the soldier experience.”

Hailed as “magnificent” by the *Philadelphia Inquirer*, *Art of the American Soldier* unveils powerful works of art created by American soldiers in the line of duty. Created by the National Constitution Center in partnership with the U.S. Army Center of Military History and the National Museum of the United States Army, the exhibition is drawn from the Army’s rarely seen collection of over 15,000 paintings and sketches, showcasing the artistic response of soldiers from World War I through the present day. Admission to *Art of the American Soldier* is FREE with regular museum admission. Veterans and military families receive $2 off admission. Active military personnel and career military retirees are free.

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**Special Programming**

In keeping with the Center’s mission to foster discussion and citizen engagement, evening programs about current and historical topics related to *Spies, Traitors & Saboteurs* are being planned. In advance of the 10th anniversary of the 9/11 terrorist attacks, the Center will present a discussion on the nation’s shared pain and patriotism on that tragic day, as well as our national response and the issues it continues to raise. The Center also will conclude its two-part series titled “What is national security?” with newly appointed 2010-11 Visiting Scholar Richard V. Allen, Senior Fellow at the Hoover Institution and former National Security Advisor.

Additionally, the Center’s education and public programming staff in the Annenberg Center for Education and Outreach is developing a variety of resource materials and family activities to further augment the exhibition, including gallery talks, student guides, educator workshops, and special programs for all ages. Children can train to become secret agents as they enter the world of espionage, uncovering classified information, learning Morse code, and writing messages in invisible ink.

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The National Constitution Center, located at 525 Arch St. on Philadelphia’s Independence Mall, is an independent, nonpartisan, nonprofit organization dedicated to increasing public understanding of the U.S. Constitution and the ideas and values it represents. The Center serves as a museum, an education center, and a forum for debate on constitutional issues. The museum dramatically tells the story of the Constitution from Revolutionary times to the present through more than 100 interactive, multimedia exhibits, film, photographs, text, sculpture and artifacts, and features a powerful, award-winning theatrical performance, “Freedom Rising.” The Center also houses the Annenberg Center for Education and Outreach, which serves as the hub for national constitutional education. For more information, call 215.409.6700 or visit www.constitutioncenter.org.

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