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El Paso Museum of History Presents New Exhibit “El Paso’s Homegrown: The Korean War”

WHO: El Paso Museum of History; the Korean War Veterans Association Col. Joseph C. Rodriguez (Medal of Honor)—Chapter 249; and Korean American Association of El Paso

WHAT: Exhibition Preview

WHEN: 11 a.m. Saturday, July 27

WHERE: El Paso Museum of History, 510 N. Santa Fe St.

The El Paso Museum of History presents an exhibition spotlighting El Pasoans’ experiences during and after the Korean War that will be on display starting Saturday, July 27.

The opening of the new exhibition includes a member and VIP preview with breakfast at 10 a.m., a speaking program at 11 a.m., followed by the public opening at 1 p.m. The special ceremony includes special guest speakers, award presentations, and a Korean Heritage Presentation.

About “El Paso’s Homegrown: The Korean War”

“El Paso’s Homegrown: The Korean War” is an original exhibition dedicated to exploring El Pasoans and the Korean War (1950 - 1953). Opening on the anniversary of the signing of the Korean Armistice Agreement, this exhibit will showcase the many facets of El Pasoans’ experiences, from their service abroad in Korea to their lives as Korean and Korean American citizens. In addition to artifacts, the exhibit will feature Korean history, culture, and the ongoing relationship between the United States and Korea. More than twelve community partners and lenders contributed artifacts and perspectives to the exhibition.

“I believe the general public as well as our younger generation is not aware of what really happened during the war,” said Wayne Gilbert, President of the Korean War Veterans Association Col. Joseph C. Rodriguez (Medal of Honor)—Chapter 249. “When I observe a military exhibit, it brings back memories that all military items were used in WWII, as well as the Korean War. I used this military equipment, as did many others during combat in the Korean War.”

The exhibit will be on display through July 2025 and is the latest in the ongoing series “El Paso’s Homegrown,” which began in 2022 with an exhibit about El Pasoans and World War II.

The El Paso Museum of History is free and open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday and 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday. For more information on the EPMH visit www.EPMuseumofHistory.org.

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