Thursday Film Series

All screenings will take place at 2:00 p.m. at the Williamsburg Library Theatre

August 3 - Run Silent, Run Deep

After Japanese forces torpedo his submarine during World War II, commanding officer "Rich" Richardson (Clark Gable) is placed in charge of the USS Nerka. The crew on board the Nerka is openly hostile to their new commander, especially when it becomes clear that Richardson's sole obsession is finding and destroying the Japanese ship that sank his old vessel.

August 10 - The Fighting 69th

Scrappy Irish-American Private Jerry Plunkett (James Cagney) is brash and defiant as his regiment trains for war. On the battlefield, however, he proves cowardly, placing the lives of his fellow soldiers at risk. Only Father Duffy (Pat O'Brien) is willing to give Plunkett another chance.

August 17 - Since You Went Away

When her husband leaves to fight in World War II, housewife Anne Hilton (Claudette Colbert) must struggle on alone to raise their two daughters. With a tight budget, Anne is forced to take in lodgers, and together their new make-shift family experiences the losses and loves of wartime.

August 24 - Dawn Patrol

Major Brand (Basil Rathbone), the commander of the 59th division of the British Royal Flying Corps in 1915 France, is frantic over the many casualties his squadron has suffered. When Captain Courtney (Errol Flynn) and his buddy Scott (David Niven) lose another of their best friends, Courtney is given the reins of command and asked to rise to the task.

August 31 - To Hell and Back

Young Audie Murphy's father abandons his large family, and Audie becomes the main breadwinner. Before long World War II breaks out, and Murphy wants to enlist. Admitted as an infantryman by the Army, Murphy proves a courageous soldier. The film, based on Murphy's life, reenacts his many battles, including the ultimate feat that earned him a Congressional Medal of Honor.

Virginia WWI and WWII Commemoration Commission's Profiles of Honor Mobile Museum Tour

On August 12-13, the Profiles of Honor Mobile WWI and WWII Museum will be making a stop at the Williamsburg Library (08/12: 10 a.m.-5 p.m., 08/13: 1-5 p.m.). This handicap-accessible interactive exhibit brings to life the state's role in both wars, highlighting the stories of Virginians who served. As part of the tour, visitors are invited to bring their own WWI and WWII-related photographs to be scanned for inclusion in the Virginia Profiles of Honor project. This partnership with the Library of Virginia will help preserve the stories of our veterans.

WRL will be hosting a variety of complementary WWI and WWII-themed programs both during the weekend of the visit and throughout the month of August, the details of which are contained within this brochure. We hope to see you there!

Over Here: Americans at Home in WWI Stryker Center June 19 - August 13

This special photography exhibit from the National Archives offers snapshots of life on the home front during World War I -- the patriotic fervor of draft registration, the emotional goodbyes of men leaving for training camps, the craze for volunteerism, and more. Monday-Friday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.) to check it out.



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Profiles of Honor WWI and WWII Mobile Museum Tour and Events



Join us this August for an amazing selection of all-ages World War I and World War II programming, including a visit from an interactive mobile museum.

Airplane Art of World War II Williamsburg Library August 9, 6:30 p.m.

From fierce creatures to pinup girls, customized art was a way for pilots and crews to distinguish themselves and their units. Librarian Andrew Smith will give a talk on these intricate visual mascots and morale builders, complete with pictures.

Reader's Theatre Williamsburg Library August 11, 7:00 p.m.

Kick off the weekend of the mobile museum visit early with a performance of spirited readings of famous and lesser-known speeches, letters, and other written documents from both World War periods.

The Legacy of Battle of Midway Dive Bomber Pilot N. Jack "Dusty" Kleiss Williamsburg Library August 12, 11:00 a.m.

On June 4-6, 1942, the U.S. Navy won an incredible victory in the waters around Midway Island. One Battle of Midway dive bomber veteran — Dusty Kleiss — lived to be 100 years old. Toward the end of his life, Kleiss set out to tell his version of the battle, which differed markedly from the existing histories. Come hear Dusty's co-authors, Tim and Laura Orr, speak about his posthumous memoir, Never Call Me a Hero.

York River Concert Band Williamsburg Library August 12, 2:00 p.m.

This perennial favorite ensemble will get you in a patriotic mood with a selection of popular tunes from both World Wars.

The Dogs of the 221st Military Police Detachment

Williamsburg Library August 13, 2:00 p.m.

Military dogs can do amazing things! Join us for a program that will highlight the history and day-to-day life of the dogs of the 221st Military Police Detachment, including a demonstration of how the dogs detect explosives and their other special skills.

William & Mary in WWI Stryker Center August 14, 2:00 p.m.

Wilford Kale, the author of From Student to Warrior: a Military History of the College of William and Mary, will talk about the College's response to the Great War.

Nazi Occupation of Greece in WWII Williamsburg Library August 16, 1:00 p.m.

Local author Karen Batshaw will discuss the German occupation of Greece during World War II, which is also the topic of her novel, *Hidden in Plain Sight*. Learn how Orthodox Christians responded with faith and courage, going to great lengths to resist the ruthless Nazi regime.

Fold3 Military Genealogy Class Williamsburg Library August 22, 2:00 p.m.

Fold3 is a premier genealogy resource for finding military records from the American Revolution to WWII, as well as city directories and other records of interest to family historians. In this demo, we'll show you how sign up and learn all about your military ancestors.

Into the Modern Era: WWI's Effect on Art, Technology, and Literature Stryker Center August 23, 2:00 p.m.

Local author Jeffrey Walker will discuss how changes during and after WWI shattered traditional views of technology, art, and literature and moved the world into the modern era.

Book/Movie Discussion: War Horse Williamsburg Library August 29, 5:30 - 9 p.m.

Join us for a family book discussion about the Junior Fiction novel *War Horse* by Michael Morpurgo, the story of a beautiful horse thrust into the front lines of World War I. We'll start the evening with a viewing of the movie (PG-13) in the Theatre, followed by discussion about the book and/or movie. Participants ages 9-18 can pick up a free copy of the book at the Youth Services' desk at either library location starting July 1.