



Are you an Immigrant to Alberta with Military Service in Your Country of Origin?

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
OPEN CALL: DEADLINE APRIL 30



Are you or one of your family members a migrant to Alberta, with military service in your native country or elsewhere? Or do you have any ancestors or friends who settled in Alberta, and served in a military capacity with non-Canadian armed forces?

We are seeking individuals to share stories relating to non-Canadian military experience. Our interest is global in scope, including experiences spanning national armed forces or conscripts, informal militia service, volunteers, guerrilla forces, freedom fighters, child soldiers and medics. The material we compile will be considered for inclusion in an exhibition at the University of Calgary's Founders' Gallery at The Military Museums in Calgary, fall 2021. We are especially interested in learning about artworks, photographs or artefacts relating to individuals' stories, or the places in which they served, and if you are an immigrant artist who knows a military immigrant in Alberta, please get in touch.

The aim of this project is to highlight and better understand the wide range of nationalities that have settled in this province, both historically and more recently. We will provide learning opportunities about conflicts worldwide, many of which may not have involved Canada.

Planning for this exhibition involves extensive outreach to community associations and ex-pat groups in Calgary and beyond. We recognize that some individuals may be sensitive about sharing their stories: if individuals wish for privacy we can offer the use a pseudonym (false name), or anonymity.

If you have a story you would like to share or would like more information on the project, we'd like to hear from you. And If you are a museum or heritage-institute with relevant stories, artwork, or artefacts in your collection and are interested in participating in this project, your support is also welcomed. To find out more or become involved please contact:

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For more information on The Military Museums, including our mandate, visitor information, education programs, and events and exhibitions, please visit <https://themilitarymuseums.ca/>

We look forward to hearing your stories!

Photos: (L) Hieu Tran, South Vietnamese Navy. (R) Sharon Wildwind, American Army Nurse



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