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NEW YORK SCULPTOR WORKING ON MEMORIAL AT THE NATIONAL MALL IN WASHINGTON D.C.

NY Sculptor Emily Bedard (West Haverstraw, NY) is one of the artists working on the Desert Shield and Desert Storm Memorial to be constructed at the National Mall in Washington D.C.

Washington, D.C. - The National Desert Storm Memorial Association (NDSMA) is pleased to announce Emily Bedard's attendance at an event in North Hudson, NY on April 30, 2023.

Skip Graffam, Landscape Architect and Partner at OLIN said, "Emily Bedard is our team's exceptionally talented artist who is bringing to life an amazing cinematic bas relief sculpture that captures the essence of the Desert Storm conflict. It is an honor and a privilege to work with Emily. In addition to being a gifted artist, she is also a superb teammate, collaborating with the designers, engineers, and contractors in creating this important national memorial and cultural landmark that will stand for all time."

Sculptor Emily Bedard said, "It has long been my hope to use my artistic abilities in service of our country. As a member of this collaboration to honor the veterans of Desert Shield & Desert Storm with a national memorial, I feel, with great honor, that I am making do on this ambition. Through use of sculpture in this design, we create a visceral experience for the visitor, stimulating a meaningful awareness for this critical American event. For those who served and sacrificed, it is my hope to honor and celebrate them through this momentous work."

EVENT DETAILS

New York Brewery Releases A Beer To Help Construct Memorial in Washington D.C.

DATE: Sunday, April 30, 2023

TIME: Noon - 6pm

LOCATION: Paradox Brewery, 2781 U.S. North Hudson, NY 12855

Event is open to the public

Captain Jonathan R. Edwards (Capt. Jack) was KIA on Feb 2, 1991 during Operation Desert Storm. "Capt. Jack" is a beer brewed to help raise funds to construct a memorial in our nation's capital, honoring the service and the sacrifice of those who served during Operation Desert Shield and Operation Desert Storm. Paradox Brewery in North Hudson, New York is brewing and distributing Capt Jack and hosting a Release Event on April 30, 2023.

In 1991, the United States of America sent a powerful message of international unity and co-operation to Saddam Hussein by opposing and ejecting Iraq's occupying forces and liberating the peaceful nation of Kuwait. The mission, undertaken by the United States Armed Forces during Operation Desert Shield and Operation Desert Storm was a remarkable example of American leadership, values, and sacrifice in the pursuit of freedom.

The Memorial's design will commemorate the historical significance of Operation Desert Shield and Operation Desert Storm while honoring the service and the sacrifice of the United States of America and coalition military personnel who liberated Kuwait from Iraq and defended Saudi Arabia and the Arabian Peninsula from further invasion.

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Since 2011, the NDSMA has worked to achieve its singular mission, construction of the Desert Shield and Desert Storm Memorial. The NDSMA's goal is the completion and dedication of the memorial by Spring 2025.

The NDSMA is a federally recognized, tax-exempt, 501(c)3 structure led by an all-veteran board of directors.

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