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Famed Fife and Drum Corps Comes to NIM

Corps and Drill Team Offer Free Performance

Columbus, Georgia – January 30, 2015 The prestigious Fife and Drum Corps and U.S. Army Drill team will offer a free performance at the National Infantry Museum at 11 a.m. **Saturday, February 7, 2015**.

The teams are part of the Army's elite Old Guard. They perform patriotic music and precise marching and rifle drills at some of the nation's biggest events, including Presidential inaugurations, the Rose Bowl Parade and the Kentucky Derby.

The Fife and Drum Corps, wearing Colonial redcoats and tricorn hats, perform on handmade, rope-tensioned drums, single-valve bugles and 10-hole wooden fifes, creating a sound that is unmatched in both quality and style. The instruments are styled after those used in the American Revolution, when fifes, drums and bugles were at the heart of battle as the primary means of communication.

The U.S. Army Drill Team performs breathtaking routines using bayonet-tipped 1903 Springfield rifles. Soldiers are selected for this elite unit after six months of rigorous and competitive drill practice. To execute their complicated routines as close to perfection as possible, the team practices constantly.

The performance will take place in the museum's lobby. It is free and open to the public.

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The National Infantry Museum and Soldier Center at Patriot Park, a 155-acre tract linking Columbus, Georgia, and the Maneuver Center of Excellence at Fort Benning, is the first world-class site to pay tribute to the U.S. Army Infantryman and those who fight alongside him. As the only interactive Army Museum in the United States, the museum showcases the contributions of the Infantry Soldier in every war fought by the U.S. by offering immersive participation and engaging visitors in the unique experiences of the Infantry Soldier. The complex also includes a parade field, memorial walk of honor, authentic World War II Company Street and 3-D IMAX® Theatre. For more information, visit www.nationalinfantrymuseum.org.