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NIM Charging Ahead to Take the Lead! *USA Today Readers' Choice Award voting closes Monday*

Columbus, Georgia – August 26, 2016: Fans have until **noon Monday, August 29**, to vote for the National Infantry Museum in *USA Today's Readers Choice Awards* for **Best Free Museum**. Over the past few weeks, the NIM has been in and out of the #1 spot, going head-to-head with the Cleveland Museum of Art.

The NIM is one of 20 major metropolitan museums across the country nominated by travel experts for this coveted designation. Results will be announced September 2.

“While we’re happy just to be nominated, we want our friends to know there is considerable value in being named ‘best of the best,’” said COL (Ret) Greg Camp, president and chief operating officer of the National Infantry Museum Foundation. “Winning first place will give the museum much deserved national exposure. It will help the Foundation secure critical funding for repaying debt and for operational costs. And it will make our community more attractive to both travelers and businesses looking to relocate.”

Please cast your vote Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday (before noon!) at <http://www.10best.com/awards/travel/best-free-museum/national-infantry-museum-soldier-center-columbus-ga/>.

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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, Vietnam Memorial Plaza, authentic World War II Company Street and Giant Screen Theater. For more information, visit www.nationalinfantrymuseum.org.