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Picturing Nam

Exhibition Overview: Photographs are a powerful part of our collective memory of the Viet Nam War. Many of the iconic photographs were taken by photojournalists working for newspapers, magazines, or wire services. But there were also military photographers in Vietnam serving in our armed forces. They took thousands of photographs that covered every aspect of the conflict—photographs that are now part of our National Archives. Their assignments sent them everywhere: the jungles and swamps, forward bases, hospital ships, rivers, and air bases. Unsanitized and uncensored, these indelible images give an intimate and ground up view of the war and those who fought it.

Exhibition Details

Content:
45 framed and matted black & white and color digital prints, text, graphic panels, video, and labels

Curator:
Bruce Bustard, PhD, Senior Curator, National Archives, Washington, DC

Supplemental Materials:
Educational and promotional resources, speaker list, bibliography

Rental Fee:
$3,000 for 7-week display

Security Requirements:
Limited security & environmental controls

Shipping:
Exhibitor is responsible for outgoing shipping costs

Size:
175 linear feet

Number of Crates:
2

Insurance:
Insured by the National Archives

Tour Dates:
"Picturing Nam" will be available for tour 2017 through 2019. Dates are subject to change.

Project Status:
In Development

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More About this Exhibition

Is your organization ready for the 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War? This exhibition will help you present America's story of involvement in the Vietnam War through photographs depicting many different aspects of the war. National Archives exhibits offer comprehensive collateral materials to help each venue better utilize exhibition content. Educational resources, exhibit catalogs and brochures, docent training manuals, digital components, social media links and suggestions, and exhibit-related products offered through the National Archives Store will help venues present a quality experience that fosters engagement between visitor and the exhibit.

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