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Heart of the Civil War Heritage Area to host celebration and retrospective at Antietam National Battlefield

SHARPSBURG, MD – The Heart of the Civil War Heritage Area welcomes the public to share in a Civil War sesquicentennial retrospective on the evening of Monday, November 9 at Antietam National Battlefield in Sharpsburg.

The event will begin at 6:00 PM at the Antietam National Battlefield Visitor Center, located at 5831 Dunker Church Road. The annual meeting will celebrate the Heart of the Civil War's 10th anniversary as part of the Maryland Heritage Areas program. Brief remarks will be followed by a reception with light refreshments.

The evening will conclude with an audiovisual retrospective presentation by Jason Martz. Currently serving as a Visual Information Specialist for Gettysburg National Military Park and Eisenhower National Historic Site, Martz led the National Park Service's Civil War Sesquicentennial coverage from 2010 through 2015. During this time he covered nearly 30 Civil War 150th anniversary events from Manassas to Appomattox and from Antietam to Vicksburg. His teams turned pictures and video into interpretive vignettes published on park web and social media sites in real time, broadcasting these once-in-a-lifetime (and -career) events to a worldwide audience.

RSVPs are encouraged, but not required. Additional information can be found online.

The Heart of the Civil War, which covers portions of Maryland's Carroll, Frederick, and Washington Counties, promotes the stewardship of our historic, cultural, and natural Civil War resources; encourages superior visitor experiences; and stimulates tourism, economic prosperity, and educational development, thereby improving the quality of life in our community for the benefit of both residents and visitors.

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