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Wisconsin Vietnam War Stories

Partnership Opportunity

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WPT

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WHS

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Overview of the project by Wisconsin Public Television

Wisconsin Vietnam War Stories

Premiere – Spring 2010

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One statewide project – many partners, many components!

- Documentary (WPT) 3 hour program, May 2010
- Companion Website (WPT)
- Companion Book (Wisconsin Historical Society Press)
- Curriculum Component (DVA)



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- Community Engagement
Vet Listening Sessions (WPT)

Vets Only Discussion Series (DVA)

Community Screenings/Discussions (WPT, DVA, WHS)

And you....

Local history organizations – programs, exhibits, events



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Why join us?

- Vietnam veterans are aging – it's important to collect their stories now while they can contribute
- Local societies are well situated to share these stories
- Build community partnerships – libraries, veterans' organizations
- Place an emphasis on collecting and interpreting 20th century history at the local level



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What's Involved?

Enroll – mailings, promotion, other communication
deadline December 31, 2008

Training – regional and statewide opportunities

Spring/Summer 2009 – Regional workshops

Fall 2009 – Sessions at State Conference, Wausau

Programs and Events

Spring 2010 – Premiere and local events, programs, exhibits



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Training

Will focus on 3 areas:

- Collections development (20th century and Vietnam era)
- Oral History projects
- Programs – ideas and resources for the creating the right event for your community, perhaps:

Reading/Discussion series with public library

Screenings of *WI Vietnam War Stories* excerpts and panel discussions

Exhibit highlighting regional and local experience



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Resources

Training with experts in oral history, military history, community programming, etc.

Promotional materials – sample materials, DVDs from WPT

Ongoing support and technical advice from WHS and Field Services



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Questions?

Comments?

Ideas?





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Thank You!

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