

## **Making History Project FAQ for First American Veteran & Active Service Military**



### **General Information**

#### **Who can participate?**

Enrolled citizens of the 39 tribes in Oklahoma who are veterans or active service military (or their families).

#### **What is the Making History Project?**

First Americans Museum (FAM) is inviting Native veterans or active service military (and/or their families) to bring a portrait and up to four (4) service documents or images to be professionally scanned by onsite archivists. This community scanning event is an opportunity to preserve local history. Those who consent will have their digitized materials added to a visitor interactive in the *OKLA HOMMA* Tribal Nations Gallery, as well as inclusion in the museum's archive. Participants will keep their original photographs and documents and will receive digitized files of all scans on the day of the event.

Optionally, onsite portrait photography for participating attendees (in uniform or cultural regalia encouraged, but not required) will be available. A digital portrait file will be provided at the time the image is taken.

Appointments are encouraged. Walk-Ins are welcome; however, this is a first-come, first-served with limited capacity.

Website: <https://famok.org/veteransday2022>

#### **When is the event?**

November 11-12, 2022, from 11:00am – 4:00pm

#### **Where is this event?**

First Americans Museum  
659 First Americans Blvd  
Oklahoma City, OK 73129.

#### **How much does it cost?**

This event is FREE! Veterans and active service members will also receive free admission to view the galleries on November 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022, with a valid ID.

#### **Accessibility:**

- Cars may drop off visitors with limited mobility at the Xchange Entrance in the circle drive
- Golf cars will bring visitors from their cars to the museum entrance
- Courtesy wheelchairs and motorized scooters are available on a first-come, first-served basis
- Trained ADA Service Animals are welcome, we ask that pets be kept outside the facility
- FAM has a First Aid station available

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## **About Your “Making History” Appointment**

### **What items should I bring?**

You may bring up to 4 items to scan. Multi-page documents will be counted as multiple items. Things that would be acceptable to bring:

- photographs
- letters
- certificates or commendations

For scanning purposes, photographs should not be larger than 8.5” x 11” and should be clear images, not blurry. We are not able to scan or photograph three-dimensional objects such as medals or badges at this time.

Complete one **Image Donation Agreement** per scanned item. (Agreements will be provided)

### **Know what NOT to bring:**

Items generally discouraged: Xeroxed or copied photographs; newspapers or newspaper clippings; copyrighted materials and anything that contains private information. Do not bring three-dimensional objects such as medals, badges, etc. As a general rule of thumb, do not bring anything that you would not be comfortable having displayed online.

### **Get ready for your portrait:**

- Veterans and active service military may sit for a complimentary portrait during the event. Unfortunately, family photographs will not be taken.
- You are welcome to wear your military uniform, tribal regalia or civilian clothes.
- No dressing rooms will be provided.
- FAM will select the final image—proofs will not be provided.

### **When will I receive my digitized materials and portrait?**

You will receive a flash drive with your digitized materials and portrait on the day of your visit.

### **What can I do before or after my appointment?**

- Visit the exhibitions—Free admission for veterans/ active service military with ID
- Join a docent-led tour of OKLA HOMMA at 1 PM on Friday and Saturday. No reservations required—meet your docent near the gallery entrance!

### **My photographs are already digitized, can I bring those?**

Currently FAM is not accepting already digitized materials.

### **I will not be able to attend. Is there another way to submit my photos?**

Presently FAM is only accepting in-person contributions during the “Making History” event days. The Making History Project will be an annual event, if you miss this year you can participate in 2023!

### **Can I donate some of my items to the museum collection?**

FAM cannot accept donations at the Making History Project event. FAM Curatorial staff will be available to advise on what items may be considered. All donations are processed through the Office of Institutional Advancement and inquiries can be initiated at [donations@famok.org](mailto:donations@famok.org) for information on the donation process.