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LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS JOIN FORCES FOR FAYETTEVILLE 9/11 REMEMBRANCE WEEKEND

Fayetteville, NC— With the 20th anniversary of the attacks of September 11th happening this fall, local non-profit organizations have joined forces to bring Fayetteville the first ever 9/11 Remembrance Weekend. Cape Fear Regional Theatre, the Fayetteville Symphony Orchestra, U.S. Army Airborne and Special Operations Museum, and Cool Spring Downtown District will be offering multiple free events for the community starting Thursday, September 9th and running through Saturday, September 11th.

“We are proud to come together as a non-profit community to commemorate this important anniversary through the 9/11 Remembrance Weekend. Through its relationship to Ft. Bragg, Fayetteville has a unique perspective on the impacts of 9/11/2001. As we reflect on that day and the ways that it forever changed the world, it is an honor to invite the community to come together and remember, reflect, and ultimately celebrate the triumph of the American Spirit,” CFRT's Artistic Director Mary Kate Burke said.

Free community events include:

Thu. Sept. 9 - 9/11 Remembrance, Twenty Years Later with David Zucchino, New York Times contributing writer and recipient of two Pulitzer Prize awards

6PM, ASOM Yarborough Bank Theater, U.S. Army Airborne & Special Operations Museum

David Zucchino, a Fayetteville native and Terry Sanford High School graduate, is a contributing writer for **The New York Times**. He has been reporting regularly from Afghanistan for 20 years and will focus his discussion on coverage there. He is also the author of the book “Thunder Run”, which is about the 2003 invasion of Iraq. **Zucchino** was recently awarded a Pulitzer Prize this year for his book, “Wilmington’s Lie: The Murderous Coup of 1898 and the Rise of White Supremacy”. He was awarded a Pulitzer Prize in 1989 for his reporting from South Africa. He’s a four-time Pulitzer Prize finalist for coverage of Lebanon, Africa, inner-city Philadelphia, and Iraq. He has reported from more than three dozen countries, most recently from Afghanistan.

Sat. Sept. 11 – 9/11 Remembrance Twenty Years Later, Field of Honor® Opening Ceremony

8AM, Yarborough Bank Theater and Parade Field, U.S. Army Airborne & Special Operations Museum

Individuals who purchased Field of Honor flags will be invited to the opening ceremony and have an opportunity to ring the Unity Bell in honor or memory of their loved ones. In partnership with Cool Springs Downtown District.

Sat. Sept. 11 – Where Were You

7:30PM, Festival Park, Downtown Fayetteville

Where Were You is a collaboration between Cape Fear Regional Theatre, The Fayetteville Symphony Orchestra, and Ft. Bragg that remembers and honors the 20th anniversary of 9/11 and celebrates the triumph of the American spirit through story and song. Featuring live performances from CFRT, FSO, the 82nd Airborne All American Chorus, Cumberland Choral Arts, and other exciting programming, *Where Were You* will bring Fayetteville together to honor this important moment in American history. Sponsored by CityView Magazine.

**Sat. Sept. 11 – 9/11 Remembrance Twenty Years Later
U. S. Army Airborne & Special Operations Museum**

Focus exhibit in the main atrium will feature a steel beam from the World Trade Center and stone from the Pentagon in remembrance of the 20th anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks.

To learn more about the 9/11 Remembrance Weekend and it's events, you can visit the participating organizations websites: www.CFRT.org, www.fayettevillesymphony.org, www.asomf.org, www.visitdowntownfayetteville.com.

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Cape Fear Regional Theatre believes in the power of storytelling and the visceral impact of live theatre. We strive for the highest standards of excellence in our artistic work, educational offerings, and outreach efforts. We provide the region a place to come together to laugh harder, think deeper, share our experiences and grow as a community.

The Airborne & Special Operations Museum Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization which provides community outreach and conducts private and public fundraising to sustain the Museum's mission, ongoing programs, and future innovative exhibit development. Located in downtown Fayetteville, the U.S. Army Airborne & Special Operations Museum is part of the Army Museum Enterprise and is managed by the U.S. Army Center of Military History.