



## Celebrating the First Enlisted Women



FIRST WOMAN RECRUIT IN U. S. NAVY



The Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services ([DACOWITS](#)), the VA's Center for Women Veterans ([CWV](#)), and the [Women's Memorial](#) are co-hosting an event celebrating the historic enlistment of Loretta P. Walsh, the first woman to officially enlist in the military.

**21 March 2017**

**2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.**



Women In Military Service For America Memorial  
located at the entrance of Arlington National Cemetery

**\*\*\* Allow extra time for security screening, prior to entry into Arlington \*\*\***

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### Artists selected for nationwide women Veterans art exhibit

WASHINGTON — Ten women Veteran artists have been selected to showcase their work at Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Medical Centers around the country in March, to coincide with Women's History Month.

"It is our hope that this exhibit will provide insight into the diverse experiences of women who serve our country, through their respective lenses," said Director of VA's Center for Women Veterans Kayla Williams. "This effort to enhance the awareness of those who serve women Veterans — in VA and in the public — will contribute to improving how they are regarded when they come to VA for care and benefits, and how they are treated in their communities."

The call for artwork resulted in over 400 submissions from women Veterans around the country. Storyboards featuring images of their art, along with photos of the women in and out of uniform and brief biographies, will be displayed at:

- 3/13 Beckley VA Medical Center, Beckley, West Virginia
- 3/19 W. G. (Bill) Hefner VA Medical Center, Salisbury, North Carolina
- 3/1 Atlanta VA Medical Center, Atlanta
- 3/16 James H. Quillen VA Medical Center, Mountain Home, Tennessee
- Colmery-O'Neil VA Medical Center, Topeka, Kansas 3/18
- Jesse Brown VA Medical Center, Chicago 3/15
- Southeast Louisiana Healthcare System, New Orleans, Louisiana 3/6
- Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center, Houston 3/31
- Mann-Grandstaff VA Medical Center, Spokane, Washington 3/23
- North Las Vegas VA Medical Center, Las Vegas 3/24

The 10 women Veteran artists selected to display their works and autobiographical storyboards in the exhibit are:

- Victoria R. Bryers, United States Coast Guard
- Pamela Corwin, United States Army
- Amy Forsythe, United States Marine Corps
- Natalie Lopez, United States Air Force
- Cara Myhre, United States Army
- Debra Russell, United States Navy
- Deveon Sudduth, United States Army
- Laura Taylor, United States Navy
- Stacey Thompson, United States Marine Corps and
- Lindsay Zike, United States Navy

The Women Veterans Art Exhibit initiative is the result of a collaboration between the Center for Women Veterans, Veteran Artist Program, First Data, and the Veterans Canteen Service. These partnerships allow for the temporary displays to be shown in these facilities at no cost to VA. For more information about VA's benefits and services for women Veterans and this initiative, visit [www.va.gov/womenvet](http://www.va.gov/womenvet).

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Fri 3/10/2017 11:07 AM

**From:** Women Veterans Interactive

**To:** olaschober@nacvso.org



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## Calling All Veterans - Register Now!

Women's Veterans Interactive and The Center for Minority Veterans  
Presents

A Minority Veterans Benefits Virtual Town Hall  
on Wednesday

March 29, 2017 at 7:00 pm – 8:30 p.m. (EST)



Awesome opportunity to have your questions *asked* and *answered* on benefits and services by a dynamic lineup of speakers from the following VA Offices:

Benefits Assistance Service  
Center for Minority Veterans  
Million Veteran Program (MVP)  
National Cemetery Scheduling Office

**Don't miss out! Join the call by completing the registration form!**  
**More information will be distributed prior to the call date!**

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