

Veterans *for* Unification

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August 2025

Our mission is to educate the Veteran community and support quality care and benefits for all Veterans in the VA Healthcare System.

Next Meeting: October 4, 2025

Speaker: BraveHearts, Harvard IL / Equine therapy



VU Meeting: June 28, 2025 ~ Giselle Futrell, Executive Director, National Veterans Art Museum, Chicago IL

Message from the VU Executive Committee

June 28 Meeting: Giselle Futrell, Executive Director of the National Veterans Art Museum in Chicago, addressed the vets at the last meeting. She is a second generation Marine and served in Kandahar Afghanistan Operation Enduring Freedom. A student of the Art Institute and an artist herself, she has been in her current role since March 2023. The museum was funded in 1981 by the Viet Nam Veterans Art Group: this offers a "space for those who served to share stories, talent, trauma" and healing. Current exhibit: Jenn Hassin ~ "Strength in Fragility". "Above and Beyond" which is a hanging display of 58,307 dog tags created by vets is displayed at the Harold Washington Library, Chicago: included is a single black dog tag ~ representing those who died from conditions related to service. The National Veterans Art Museum, 4041 N Milwaukee, 2nd floor, Chicago, is open Tuesday thru Saturday: 312-684-9778 with no admission. Street Parking.

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Many people turned out for the National Vietnam War Veterans Day ceremony held March 29 at Higgins and Milwaukee avenues in Jefferson Park. (Photo by Carrie Pedregosa)

H.R.210 - Dental Care for Veterans Act

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[Rep. Brownley, Julia \[D-CA-26\]](#) (Introduced 01/06/2025)

Committees:

House - Veterans' Affairs

Latest Action:

House - 02/06/2025 Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. ([All Actions](#))

Tracker:

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Passed House

Passed Senate

To President

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