WORLD WAR I
Beyond the Trenches

How did American artists respond to World War I? *World War I Beyond the Trenches* explores how artists across generations, aesthetic sensibilities, and the political spectrum used their work to depict, memorialize, promote, or oppose the divisive conflict. Featuring more than 55 artworks, the exhibition includes John Singer Sargent’s masterpiece *Gassed* and powerful works by Childe Hassam, Georgia O’Keeffe, Horace Pippin, and Caggett Wilson, among others. Also on display, items from New-York Historical’s world-renowned collection offer historical context for the time period—see propaganda posters, letters, sheet music, uniforms and military gear, and a battlefield diorama with vintage trunks. These moving displays explore a variety of tones and themes, from national pride to the trauma of war, but all portray a nation on the edge, grappling with the influence of the encroaching modern era.

CENTENNIAL SUMMER

The year 1917 saw major milestones in American and New York history, from the U.S. entering World War I to women earning the right to vote in New York State to the birth of JFK. Join us all summer long to honor the 100th anniversary of this landmark year. Explore three special exhibitions at the Museum: *World War I Beyond the Trenches*, examining the U.S. response to the First World War through art and objects; *American Visionary: John F. Kennedy’s Life and Times*, showcasing 77 images—some iconic, some seldom seen—that capture the dramatic scope of Kennedy’s life; and a special installation celebrating women’s suffrage. Throughout July and August, enjoy free programs, lectures, and films on Pay-as-you-wish Friday Nights. Families can step into the past through Living History programs every Saturday to meet doughboys and march with suffragists.

NEW-YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The New-York Historical Society Museum and Library, one of America’s preeminent cultural institutions, is dedicated to fostering research and presenting exhibitions and public programs that reveal the dynamism of history and its influence on the world of today. Founded in 1804 as the city’s first museum, New-York Historical has a mission to explore the richly layered history of New York City and State and the country and to serve as a national forum for the discussion of issues surrounding the making and meaning of history.
NEW YORK CITY SITES OF

NEW YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY
170 Central Park West at Richard Gilder Way (77th St)
World War I Beyond the Trenches
May 26 – Sept 3, 2017

Through artwork, historic objects, films, and programs, explore how the U.S. responded to the First World War.

CLINTON WAR MEMORIAL (DOUGHBOY)
De Witt Clinton Park,
11th Ave & West 52nd St
The Delegation of the Govt. of Flanders to the USA adopted this memorial—inscribed with John McCrae’s poem In Flanders Fields—in honor of local war heroes.

THE METROPOLITAN MUSEUM OF ART
1000 Fifth Ave at 82nd St
World War I and the Visual Arts
July 31, 2017 – Jan 7, 2018
See the diverse ways in which artists depicted and responded to the horrors of modern warfare.

MUSEUM OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK
1220 Fifth Ave at 103rd St
Posters and Patriotism: Selling World War I in New York | Ongoing
View images of U.S. participation in WWI through posters, flyers, magazine art, and other mass-produced images by New York artists.

YORK AVENUE
59th St to 91st St
The famed NYC street is named for Sgt. Alvin York, who almost single-handedly killed 28 German soldiers and captured 122, earning the Medal of Honor.

JOHN PURROY MITCHELL MEMORIAL
Reservoir in Central Park (Terrace stairway at Fifth Ave & 90th St)
John Purroy Mitchell was NYC’s youngest mayor. In 1918, he enlisted in the Army Aviation Corps but was killed after a tragic training accident.

107TH UNITED STATES INFANTRY MONUMENT
Central Park, Fifth Ave & 67th St
Sculptor Karl Illava, a sergeant with the 107th Infantry, captured from memory the myriad responses to war, from aggression to camaraderie.

ABINGDON SQUARE MEMORIAL
8th Ave & Hudson St at West 12th St
In 1921, 20,000 spectators gathered here as Gov. Alfred E. Smith presented the monument in memory of local men who fought in WWI.

DUFFY SQUARE
Broadway & 7th Ave, between 46th & 47th St
During WWI, Father Francis P. Duffy served in Europe with the Fighting 69th Infantry Regiment, becoming the most highly decorated cleric in U.S. Army history.

WASHINGTON HEIGHTS-INWOOD WAR MEMORIAL
Mitchel Square
Broadway & St. Nicholas Ave, between 167th & 168th St
Dedicated on May 30, 1922, this memorial depicts three WWI soldiers in bronze, honoring the men from Washington Heights and Inwood who gave their lives.

We are grateful to the donors who have supported World War I Beyond the Trenches: nyhistory.org/wwi