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Lovell Federal Health Care Center to host Veterans Creative Arts Festival

Enrolled Veterans encouraged to enter artwork, poetry, musical performances; winning pieces will compete at National Veterans Creative Arts Festival

NORTH CHICAGO, Ill. – The Captain James A. Lovell Federal Health Care Center (FHCC) will host its annual Veterans Creative Arts Festival Thursday, Feb. 26, to highlight the artwork, poetry and musical talents of area Veterans.

Veterans enrolled for care at any Lovell FHCC's facilities are encouraged to submit artwork in the following art categories: painting; sculpture; drawing; photography; wood, leather and model kits, and pottery. Performance categories include poetry, drama, solo and group vocal and instrumental acts, vocal original compositions, and senior and special recognition.

The deadline for submission is Feb. 13 to Tricia Stewart, FHCC art therapist. Stewart can be reached at 224-610-4201 or tricia.stewart@va.gov for more information.

Local artists, musicians and writers will judge the creative entries and determine places in each category. The first place winning pieces will be eligible to advance on to the national level, where they will compete with entries submitted by Veterans from other Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) facilities around the country.

The festival provides Veterans the opportunity to participate in creative self-expression in art and performance and to gain recognition for their artistic accomplishments. The National Veterans Creative Arts Festival will take place in Durham, North Carolina, Oct. 12-18.

WHAT: Annual Veterans Creative Arts Festival at Lovell FHCC
WHEN: Submissions due by Feb. 13; Festival held 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Feb. 26.
WHERE: Lovell Federal Health Care Center, 3001 Green Bay Road, North Chicago, Ill.
WHO: Submissions accepted from Veterans enrolled for care at Lovell FHCC

About the Lovell FHCC: The Captain James A. Lovell Federal Health Care Center is the nation's first fully integrated medical facility between the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and the Department of Defense. Lovell FHCC serves active duty military personnel, their families and Veterans. Lovell FHCC, which is located in North Chicago, operates four Great Lakes Naval Station clinics and three community based outpatient clinics in McHenry and Evanston, Ill. and Kenosha, Wis.

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