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Mitchell Museum to Offer Free Admission to Active-Duty Military Families May 28–September 6

EVANSTON, Ill., May 24, 2010 — The independent nonprofit Mitchell Museum of the American Indian in Evanston will offer free admission to active-duty members of the U.S. military and their immediate families from May 28 to September 6 as part of the national Blue Star Museums program.

The Mitchell is among some 600 museums across the country participating in the program, set up by the National Endowment for Arts, an independent federal agency that funds arts programs, and Blue Star Families, a nonprofit organization that supports and advocates for military families. A list of participating museums is online at www.arts.gov/bluestarmuseums.

The Blue Star program, which operates from Memorial Day through Labor Day, provides free admission for active-duty members, with military ID, and five immediate family members. The program includes active-duty reservists and active-duty members of the National Guard.

The Mitchell's mission is to promote and share a deeper understanding of American Indian peoples through the collection, preservation, and interpretation of traditional and contemporary art and material culture. In addition to its permanent exhibits about the Native peoples of North America and on-site public reference library, the museum hosts temporary exhibits and a wide range of special events throughout the year.

For information, phone (847) 475-1030 or e-mail visitorservices@mitchellmuseum.org. The Mitchell's days and hours of operation are posted at <http://www.mitchellmuseum.org>.

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