



News from the ANTHEM VETERANS MEMORIAL

Patriot Day, Monday, September 11, 2023

National Day of Service and Remembrance

Sept. 6, 2023

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MEET OUR AVM MUSIC PARTNERS - 2023

Musical Theatre of Anthem (MusicalTheatreOfAnthem.org)

The Anthem Veterans Memorial (AVM) is proud to announce the award-winning talents of the Outreach Group of Musical Theatre of Anthem (MTA) will join our Veterans Day ceremony again this year. MTA has performed at the AVM for every Veterans Day ceremony and Memorial Day ceremony since the dedication. The youthful spirit and engaging voices enhance the quality of our ceremonies annually.

Founded in 2008 by Jackie and Jeff Hammond, MTA develops youth and adults in performing arts while enhancing intrinsic creativity and talents. MTA has worked with over 2000 children, training and educating and youth, while also providing opportunities to adults to empower them and foster their creativity.

This nonprofit produces multiple productions annually and never disappoints the crowds. Their newest production of, “The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee,” running September 21-24, is not to be missed.

In addition to the range of musical theatre, MTA teaches the up-and-coming 14 and older ages in their Apprentice Program. They hold acting classes, dance audition prep, and improvisation workshops, as well as a Haunted House. Children 3-5 years old may participate in their Holiday Minis workshops and the 6-13 years and full production offers year-round for performers starting at age 6.

Operation Song, Nashville Tennessee (OperationSong.org)

The Anthem Veterans Memorial begins a new partnership with Operation Song, Nashville Tennessee. Operation Song pairs professional songwriters with veterans, active duty and military families to turn their stories of service, camaraderie and bravery into songs.

Operation Song has served over 2100 veterans and families and written over 1400 songs – and counting. The cathartic writing process helps veterans unlock and express their personal sentiments. Participating veterans write with songwriters, see their stories performed in public and receive a recorded copy of their songs, free of charge.

This Veterans Day, the AVM is proud to share the original songs of veterans and their families. The music and videos are not to be missed.

Additional Music Partners for this year’s ceremony include the original songs of Ralph McTell and Jimmy Flynn, and music/video by Buddy Brown. The music will be accompanied by photomontages created by the students of the Boulder Creek High School TV Media Production under instructor, Christy Johnstone (USA veteran).

The AVM is grateful to our talented musical talents joining us this year.

JOIN US! November 11 at the AVM: 8:15 – 11:15 a.m.

8:15 a.m. Breakfast for purchase, Tennessee Grill, South Lawn.

9:00 a.m. Music/Photo Montages/Videos begin.

9:15-9:45 Vietnam Era Veteran and Surviving Spouses pinning, North Lawn

10:00 a.m. Veterans Day Ceremony, “Honor. Salute. Support.”

Limited Seating - Lawn Chairs Welcome