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Author Thomas Sanders to Speak on The Last Good War
Lecture coming to the Idaho State Historical Museum June 23

Boise, ID – Thomas Sanders, author and photographer of “The Last Good War: The Faces and Voices of World War II,” will speak and show images of WWII veterans featured in his acclaimed book, followed by a book-signing at 6:30 p.m., June 23 at the Idaho State Historical Museum. Veterans will be admitted to the lecture for half of the regular Museum admission.

In 2006, Thomas Sanders began traveling the country photographing and interviewing hundreds of World War II Veterans. He became captivated by their memories of the war. “They are a living record of an incredibly historic time,” states Sanders. He noted that rarely did these men and women describe themselves as heroes but that quality was unmistakable in their vivid accounts and storied faces.

The lecture is part of selected programming for the Idaho State Historical Museum’s featured summer exhibit, *Our Lives, Our Stories: America’s Greatest Generation* that opens June 16. The exhibit explores the lives of the World War II generation and how their generation and legacy shaped our lives into the 21st Century. The exhibit and related programs will be offered through August 11. The lecture is co-sponsored by the Idaho Humanities Council.

Don’t miss the opportunity to hear this chronicle of courage and hardship, sacrifice and determination, about the pilots, soldiers, marines and sailors who provide a unique window into American history. The Idaho State Historical Museum is located in

Boise's Julia Davis Park at 610 N. Julia Davis Drive. Museum hours are Tuesday-Saturday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and 1-5 p.m. on Sunday. Admission: \$5 adults (13+), \$4 seniors (65+), \$3 children 6-12 and students with a valid student ID. On First Thursdays, the Museum is open by donation to the public from 5-9 p.m. For more information, call 334-2120 or visit www.history.idaho.gov/museum.html.

Our Lives, Our Stories: America's Greatest Generation has been made possible by NEH on the Road, a special initiative of the National Endowment for the Humanities. The exhibit was originally developed by the Minnesota Historical Society in Saint Paul, Minnesota. This exhibit was adapted and is toured by Mid-America Arts Alliance through NEH on the Road. NEH on the Road offers an exciting opportunity for communities of all sizes to experience some of the best exhibitions funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH). Mid-America Arts Alliance was founded in 1972 and is the oldest regional nonprofit arts organization in the United States. For more information, visit www.maaa.org or www.nehontheroad.org.

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