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Women Heroes of World War I

Author Kathryn Atwood to discuss book for young readers on April 5

Wheaton, Ill., March 22, 2017 — The First Division Museum at Cantigny Park welcomes author Kathryn J. Atwood on Wednesday, April 5. She will discuss “Women Heroes of World War I: 16 Remarkable Resisters, Soldiers, Spies and Medics.”

The free presentation inside the Cantigny Visitors Center begins at 7:30 pm. Parking also is complimentary.

“Women Heroes of World War I,” published in 2014, chronicles the brave exploits of 16 women from around the world who served their countries at a time when most women didn’t even have the right to vote. Atwood will share several of the inspiring and often suspense-filled stories in her book, part of the Women of Action series from Chicago Review Press. Her visit is timely in that 2017 marks the centennial of America’s entry in the Great War.

Atwood is the author of three young-adult collective biographies of women and war, including two volumes of “Women Heroes of World War II.”

Doors open at 6:30 pm on April 5. Copies of Atwood’s book will be available for sale in the Cantigny Shop and Le Jardin will offer a cash bar and limited food menu. Coffee is complimentary.

This event is part of the First Division Museum’s *Date with History*, a monthly series featuring lively discussions with authors, panelists, historians and special guests. Information about upcoming programs is online at fdmuseum.org.

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About the First Division Museum

The First Division Museum at Cantigny Park, part of Robert R. McCormick Foundation, promotes public learning about America’s military heritage and affairs through the history of the “Big Red One”—the famed 1st Infantry Division of the U.S. Army. The museum’s main exhibit hall transports visitors to the trenches of World War I, the beaches of World War II, and the jungles of Vietnam. Outside, tanks are displayed from every era, along with artillery pieces and a personnel carrier. The Robert R. McCormick Research Center, open to the public, houses the museum’s library, archival, and photo collections. The First Division Museum is currently closed for a major renovation with a grand reopening set for August 26, 2017. Visit the museum online at fdmuseum.org.