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MCAS Yuma Air Show to honor Korean and Vietnam Veterans, feature F-22 Raptor, F-35 Lightning II

MARINE CORPS AIR STATION YUMA, Ariz. (Feb. 6, 2013) – The 51st annual Marine Corps Air Station Yuma Airshow and Open House, saluting our brave and time-honored Korean and Vietnam War Veterans, is scheduled for Saturday, March 9.

This year's event will showcase the amazing aviation capabilities of the U.S. Air Force F-22A Raptor during a special aerial demonstration as well as the local public's first opportunity to see the Marine Corps' latest aviation technological breakthrough, the F-35B Lightning II. The event will also showcase both the history and modernity of Naval, Marine Corps, Army and Air Force ground and air power through a magnificent exhibition of aerial performances, static displays of aircraft, military vehicles and equipment. From World War II era Vintage War birds in flight to the amazing power of the modern helicopter-airplane hybrid MV-22 Osprey, this air show will be one to remember!

Each year, MCAS Yuma is drawn to a specific theme in which their air show will take its form. For 2013, MCAS Yuma strives to give an honorable and dignified, "Welcome Home" to all of our Korean and Vietnam War Veterans and their families. Their sacrifice in the defense of our country was and remains as vital to the freedoms we have today as our men and women currently serving in uniform.

To honor our veterans, this year's show will feature several key displays, acknowledgements, educational exhibits and performances geared to immerse our visitors with a deeper understanding of who

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served, what serving was like during a deployment and why they served. Some of the key highlights will include:

- Special recognition of our Korean era and Vietnam era Veterans during the opening ceremonies of the show.
- A Korean era camp with aircraft, vehicles, armament, photographs, letters, books, artifacts, military members dressed in period uniforms and Korean veterans to share their stories and experiences.
- A Vietnam era camp with aircraft, vehicles, armament, photographs, letters, books, artifacts, military members dressed in period uniforms and Vietnam veterans to share their stories and experiences.
- Korean era Planes of Fames Air Museum F-86, Mig 15, F4U, P-51, Yak 3 and T-6
- Korean and Vietnam era Comedy Act
- Vietnam era IAR-823 Demonstration

This year's show will also give visitors the opportunity to interact with all the men and women who proudly wear the uniform of the United States Armed Forces. The U.S. Army, Navy, Marine Corps and Air Force will be on the ready to meet and greet attendees during the day and share their military experiences.

Another exciting and new part of the 2013 show will include the "Commandants Own" Drum and Bugle Corps from Washington, D.C. which will help us kick off the beginning of the aerial performances for the day.

Beyond performances and displays, we'll have loads of fun waiting for kids of all ages in the bouncy house play area, paint ball zone and rock climbing wall challenge to name a few. Not to be forgotten, vendors will offer a vast variety of food and beverages from hamburgers, turkey legs and tacos to cotton candy, kettle corn and ice cream.

Gates will open at 8 a.m., the first live performance of the day begins at 10 a.m. and the show will close at 4 p.m. This event is free and open to the public but for those interested, special parking and seating options are available for a nominal fee.

Media are invited to attend this year's show and will be credentialed through the MCAS Yuma Public Affairs Office. Credentialed media will have a special parking area, a chalet for keeping their equipment stored, access to prime coverage locations and food/drinks throughout the show. Additionally, credentialed media will receive access to VIP guests and performers for interviews.

For more information about the 51st annual MCAS Yuma Airshow and Open House, please contact MCAS Yuma Public Affairs at (928)269-2275 or visit www.yumaairshow.com. This website is currently being updated with the full schedule of events, performer details, directions and parking information. Detailed parking and security information will be provided in a future media release leading up to the show. All previous MCAS Yuma media releases can be found by visiting <http://www.yuma.usmc.mil/services/pao/releases.html>.

Want to lend a hand? Marine Corps Community Services Yuma is seeking volunteers to assist with the airshow. If interested, please sign up at <http://www.yumaairshow.com/index.cfm/volunteer/> or call (928)269-6665.

Scheduled Military Performer Lineup:

U.S. Air Force F-22A Raptor Demonstration

U.S. Air Force A-1 Heritage Flight

“The Commandant’s Own” The United States Marine Drum and Bugle Corps

U.S. Army Free Fall Performance

U.S. Marine Corps Search and Rescue Demonstration

U.S. Marine Corps F-5 Flyby

U.S. Marine Corps MV-22 Osprey Demonstration

U.S. Marine Corps AV-8B Harrier Demonstration

Scheduled Civilian Performer Lineup:

Korean era Planes of Fames Air Museum F-86, Mig 15, F4U, P-51, Yak 3 and T-6 fly bys out of Chino, California

Commemorative Air Force B-29, C-45 and T-6 Demonstration out of Addison, Texas

Korean and Vietnam era Kent Pietsch Airshows Comedy Act

KP Stunt Productions Interstate Cadet Performance out of Burlington, North Dakota

Bill Braak’s Smoke-n-Thunder Jet Car Race out of Silverlake, Washington

Vietnam era IAR-823 Demonstration out of Salida, California

Ace Maker Airshows T-33 Demonstration out of Hercules, California

Todd McCutchan's Fast Aircraft T-34A Demonstration out of Scottsdale, Arizona

Scheduled Non-Aircraft Static Display Lineup includes but is not limited to:

U.S. Marine Corps Explosive Ordnance Disposal Team

U.S. Marine Corps Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Display

Association for Unmanned Vehicle Systems International Unmanned Vehicle Systems (UVS) Exhibition – featuring vehicles and robotics for ground, maritime, air and space applications.

Yuma Proving Ground manned and unmanned systems; Bradley Fighting Vehicle, Stryker, Mortar and inert ammo display and more

Scheduled Static Display Lineup:

Military	Vintage Military	Civilian
"Fixed Wing"	"Fixed Wing"	"Fixed Wing"
AV/8B Harrier	AN-2 Colt	1947 Cessna 140
A-10C Warthog	Boeing B-29 Superfortress	1966 Cessna C172 "G"
B-52H Bomber	B-25 Mitchell	Cessna 180
ERCoupe 415-C	Beech C-45 1946	Cessna 182
C-12 Huron	C-47 Skytrain	Cessna 310
C-5M Galaxy	Cessna L-19 Birddog x2	Folker S-11
C-17 Globemaster III	Folker S-11	Howard DGA 15p
EA-6B Prowler	L-39C Albatros	Vans-RV8
EA-18G Growler	NANCHANG CJ-6 TRAINER	Waco RNF
E-2C Hawkeye	Nanchang Haiyan C Photorecon,	"Rotary Wing"
F-5 Tiger II	PT22 x4 replica open cockpit	AS-350
F-15E Eagle	SNJ-5	E-120
F-16C Fighting Falcon		HH-60 Black Hawk
F-15E Eagle		RQ-4
FA-18C/D/E Super Hornet		Augusta 119
F-35B		
KC-130J		
P-3 Iron		
"Rotary Wing"		
AH-1Z Cobra		
CH-53E Sea Stallion		
CH-46E Sea Knight		
HH-60G Seahawk		
UH-1Y Huey/Venom		
MV-22B Osprey		

Media Note: Media are invited to cover the event March 9. All media need to be credentialed NLT March 1. Submit your organization, name and contact information to Cpl. William Waterstreet at william.waterstreet@usmc.mil. Media will need to meet at the North Gate no later than 8:30 a.m. Call 928-269-3682/2275 for further details.