

***Rescheduled* First VAB Public Session of 2024**

All Veterans, their family members and caregivers are encouraged to attend!

If you are an organization that provides services that can assist NYC Veterans and their families, please contact the VAB to publicly share information about your organization. If you have a question that you want answered at the public session, please use this Email: nycveteransadvisoryboard@gmail.com



J. Alexander Martin Ph.D, is a U.S. Navy Veteran, Co-Founder Exec VP & Creative Director of FUBU, a Brand Strategist, Equity Fund Managing Partner, TV Host, Public Speaker, Business Consultant, and accomplished author.

Today, Dr. Martin's ventures include a clothing line, a non-profit, and a consulting firm. In addition he serves on the Board Member of the National Black Chambers of Commerce, is the President of the New York State Black Chamber of Commerce and a Representative of the Urban League Young Professionals.

Thanks to Dr. Martin for all of the work he has done and continues to do for our Veterans!

Vietnam Veterans Day
50th Anniversary Commemoration | 1974-2024



2024 VIETNAM VETERANS DAY

50TH ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATION • 1974 ~ 2024

SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 2024 • NEW YORK CITY

VIETNAM VETERANS PLAZA @ 55 WATER STREET

READING OF NAMES OF THE FALLEN

9:00 - 11:00AM

Honoring New Yorkers lost in service
Sign up to read names at uwvc.org/vietnam

TRIBUTE MARCH

9:15 - 11:15AM

EXTENDED + CANYON OF HEROES ROUTES
Details and registration at uwvc.org/vietnam

WREATH LAYING CEREMONY

11:30AM - 12:30PM

Including presentation of the Patrick L. Gualtieri
Service to Vietnam Veterans Award.

RESOURCE FAIR & REUNION

1:00PM - 3:00PM

Featuring services for veterans of all eras; lunch
provided for veterans and their guests.

For more information, visit uwvc.org/vietnam



Join us in honoring our Vietnam Veterans!

The UWVC has partnered with [Wounded Warrior Project](#), [Friends of the Vietnam Veterans Plaza](#), [VVA Chapter 126](#) and the [NYC Department of Veterans' Services](#) to present a series of activities to mark Vietnam Veterans Day in New York City.

This year's commemoration marks the 50th Anniversary observation of Vietnam Veterans Day, which was originally declared in 1974.

Veterans of all eras and supporters are invited, in the spirit of the motto of Vietnam Veterans of America: "Never Again will One Generation of Veterans Abandon Another."

[Visit uwvc.org/vietnam](http://uwvc.org/vietnam) for more information

Winter Coat Drive

Winter Coat Drive for all Military/Veterans

VETERAN NEWS

Black soldiers executed for 1917 Houston riots get new headstones depicting honorable discharges



In this screenshot from video, Tanya Bradsher, deputy secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs, watches on Feb. 22, 2024, as new headstones are unveiled for 17 Black soldiers buried at Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery in San Antonio, Texas. The men were executed following the 1917 Houston Riots. The Army overturned the convictions last year and the men were granted honorable discharges. (Screenshot from Department of Veterans Affairs livestream)

By ROSE L. THAYER

STARS AND STRIPES • February 22, 2024

AUSTIN, Texas — New headstones for 17 Black soldiers sentenced to death more than a century ago were unveiled Thursday at Fort Sam Houston National

Cemetery in San Antonio after [the Army deemed their trials unfair and granted each an honorable discharge](#).

During a ceremony to honor them, people dressed in the historic uniforms of Buffalo Soldiers, the nickname given to Black soldiers in some regiments beginning in 1866, lifted gold material from each of the headstones as the soldier's name was spoken aloud. They revealed a gray marble marker bearing the soldier's name, rank and home state.

The 17 soldiers honored Thursday were among 19 executed and 110 convicted of murder and mutiny in an event known as the 1917 Houston Riots or the Camp Logan Mutiny. The race riot occurred Aug. 23, 1917, as tensions between the Black enlisted soldiers of the 3rd Battalion, 24th Infantry Regiment, a Buffalo Soldier unit, and white Houston police officers and residents boiled over. It left 19 people dead. [[READ MORE...](#)]

More Veteran-related Headlines

NewsNation: [‘Lone bright spot:’ VA loans help more Gen Zers buy homes](#)

Military.com: [Vets Say Weight Loss Drugs Have Improved Their Health, But New Patients Are Out of Luck](#)

NBC News: [Veterans groups join calls for Biden administration to reschedule marijuana](#)

Military Times: [VA will no longer send veterans' benefits to multiple bank accounts](#)

A Message From Mayor Adams:

Each week DVS shares a brief update about how our administration is getting stuff done for New Yorkers.

Young people are the future, which is why our administration is investing in their education, expanding summer youth employment, and protecting teenage mental health. New York City is built on innovation and technology, but many social media platforms have played a role in fueling a youth mental health crisis. This past week, the Adams administration took bold action on behalf of millions of New Yorkers to hold these companies accountable for their role in the youth mental health crisis and force tech platforms to change their behavior. Here are DVS we're collaborating with the Department of Education (DOE) to address the unique challenges of children with parents in the military or veterans.



The Adams administration is dedicated to cutting through the noise and delivering information directly to you and all New Yorkers.

Sign up to "Hear From Eric" and get direct messages from City Hall, tailored to

your interests and neighborhood, sent directly to your inbox
– at [nyc.gov/hearfromeric!](https://nyc.gov/hearfromeric)

[Mayor Adams' Statement on Supreme Court Decision on Rent Stabilization Laws](#)

[Mayor Adams Announces Cancellation Of Next Round Of Agency Spending Cuts As A Result Of Strong Fiscal Management, Additional Cuts To Asylum Seeker Spending, Better-Than-Expected Economic Performance](#)

[Mayor Adams Announces Two-Year Suspension for Professional Engineer Following Investigation Into December 2023 Bronx Building Collapse](#)



We want to showcase Veteran work and help spread the word. We want this to be a space for Veteran artists to express themselves in an authentic way.

Please email submissions to connect@veterans.nyc.gov with a brief bio, an artist statement, art medium, and your affiliation to the Veteran community.

Join Our Team! Be Part of the Mission!



Current DVS Job Openings

Being part of our team is a great way to continue to serve.

[Visit NYC.gov/jobs and select "Veterans' Services" from the agency menu to learn more about and apply to the job below.](#)

Site Reliability Engineer - This position will support and develop the agency's core business applications while providing secured network connectivity, asset management, and technical support for a highly mobile team.

VA Work Study Positions at DVS

The NYC Department of Veterans' Services (DVS) supports VA Work-Study Positions! Here is a current list of available VA Work-Study openings:

- [Administrative Intern](#)
- [Communications Intern](#)
- [Data Science Intern](#)
- [Information Technology Intern](#)
- [Intake Aide](#)
- [Legal Intern](#)
- [Mission: VetCheck Intern](#)
- [Outreach Intern](#)

- [Policy and Strategic Partnership Intern](#)

[Check Here for VA Work-Study Postings](#)

NYC Civil Service Job Openings and Exams



Open Competitive Exams

[Sanitation Enforcement Agent](#)

[School Business Manager \(DOE\)](#)

[Sewage Treatment Worker](#)

To view all available job listings, visit the exam board [here!](#)

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Programs and Initiatives

NYC
Department of
Veterans' Services

**Affordable Housing
for Veterans**

Resources to help veterans maintain and secure stable and affordable housing

This banner features a dark blue background with a large white arrow pointing right and a red arrow pointing left. The text is centered in the red arrow.



VetBizNYC

Online interactive map to find veteran-owned businesses across NYC: vetbiznyc.cityofnewyork.us

The image shows a map of New York City with various neighborhood names like Astoria, Jackson Heights, and Queens. Blue location pins are scattered across the map. Below the map is a black box with the text "VetBizNYC" in large red letters and the URL below it.



Newsletter Sign-up

If you received this newsletter by way of a friend or colleague and have yet to sign-up on your own, click [here](#), and stay up-to-date with the latest news impacting the community, updates on city services, info on DVS programs, Veteran-specific resources & more.

Contact Us

- Complete a service request form at vetconnectnyc.org
- [Message the Commissioner](#)
- [Partner with DVS](#)
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