

# 1861: BANNERS FOR GLORY



## A CIVIL WAR TOUR AT THE NEW YORK STATE CAPITOL

When the Civil War began in April 1861, New York State's militia was the strongest in the nation. By the end of that year, over 100,000 New Yorkers had answered President Lincoln's call to preserve the Union. *1861: Banners for Glory: A Civil War Tour at the New York State Capitol* is a special program that highlights Civil War imagery in the Capitol and explores an exhibit of eight historic flags from the New York State Battle Flag Collection, administered by the New York State Military Museum.

Sponsored by the Office of General Services, the tour explores Civil War history at the Capitol and the importance and symbolism of regimental flags. It is a "Living History" program, presented by an interpreter in Civil War costume, and will include a gallery tour of the flag exhibition. Each historic flag was conserved by the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation in partnership with the Military Museum. For more information, please call 518-473-7521.

**DATE:** Last Wednesday of the month, September 2011 - May 2012

**TIME:** 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.

**LOCATION:** State Street Lobby of the Capitol

**RESERVATIONS:** Register online at [www.ogs.ny.gov](http://www.ogs.ny.gov)



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