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# THE FACE OF WAR:

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## VIETNAM COMBAT PHOTOGRAPHERS



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MAY 6 - JULY 31, 2011

Featuring Photographs by Robert J. Ellison & the DASPO Military Unit

Opening reception: Friday, May 6, 5-8 p.m., 6:30 p.m. talk

A photographer wades in chest-high swamp water, grimacing as he suspends camera equipment above his head. He is one of the fearless young men who traversed the face of South Vietnam capturing iconic images that have become part of the visual history of the Vietnam conflict. This exhibit explores not only the images, but the photographers whose lives were forever intertwined with Vietnam. Included are stunning images by members of The Department of the Army Special Photographic Office (DASPO), and Robert J. Ellison's award-winning photos that were published in Time and Newsweek. Ellison lost his life in Khe Sanh, Vietnam at the age of 23.

Closing reception: Friday, July 29, 5-8 p.m.

6:30 p.m. talk by Jeffrey Kollath, Wisconsin Veterans Museum. 7 p.m. Open Box Project presentations feature student performances, writing and artworks based on the life of Robert J. Ellison.

Exhibited photographs courtesy of Black Star and Robert J. Ellison Collection, Wisconsin Veterans Museum; DASPO members and Texas Tech University.

The gallery is located in the Joan Steele Stein Center for Communication Studies/Fine Arts at Cardinal Stritch University. Gallery hours are noon-4 p.m. Sunday through Friday. For more information, call (414) 410-4105.

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