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A Civil War exhibition commemorating the 150th anniversary opens at Slater Center

The official traveling exhibition of the Tennessee Civic War Sesquicentennial Uncommon Times: The Civil War Experience in Tennessee has been organized by the Tennessee State Museum.

The exhibition will open at Slater Center in Bristol on Monday, April 6 and will run through Monday, April 27, 2015. The exhibition will focus on how the war impacted the lives of Tennesseans through personal stories of some of the participants. Their tales represent a diverse array of personalities – Confederate soldiers, Union sympathizers, African-Americans, gallant women – whose stories illustrate a land divided.

The pictorial narrative of personal struggle and endurance during the Civil War is presented on 10 graphic panels taken from the State Museum's collection of photographs and artifacts from the era, as well as from other collections across the state. Each panel portrays a different theme.

Terry Napier, Director of Parks and Recreation, the department overseeing the exhibition said, "We have been very lucky to be able to bring exhibitions such as these to our area. Telling a story is one thing, but to be able to see pictures of those who participated in the battles and see the artifacts makes the war come to life."

The exhibition will be open three days a week for the duration of the Bristol stop. For the schedule including hours of operation please go to the city's website at bristoltn.org scroll to bottom of page and click on "View All" tab. Slater Center is located at 325 McDowell Street please go to the main entrance for direction to the exhibit.

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