

**SPECIAL SCREENING OF “HIDDEN FIGURES” WITH
GUEST SPEAKER FORMER ASTRONAUT FRED GREGORY
AT THE AIR FORCE MUSEUM THEATRE**

Dayton, Ohio – October 10, 2017: The Living History Film Series event for October will feature the inspiring film “Hidden Figures” and guest speaker former NASA Administrator and Astronaut, Col Fred Gregory, USAF (ret), on October 19th at 6:30 p.m. at the Air Force Museum Theatre, located inside the National Museum of the U.S. Air Force™. Tickets are only \$12 (\$10 for Friends Members) and can be purchased [here](#). Doors open at 6:00 p.m.

The film tells the untold true story of the female African-American mathematicians behind NASA in the race against Russia to send a man to space. These women, known as "human computers," quickly rose through the ranks of NASA alongside many of history's greatest minds specifically tasked with calculating the launch of astronaut John Glenn into orbit, and guaranteeing his safe return.

A friend and professional colleague of all three mathematicians featured in the film, Col Fred Gregory graduated from the United States Air Force Academy in 1964. He piloted the H-43, UH-1, T-38, F-4 Phantom, and was an operational test pilot flying fighters and helicopters. He was also a NASA research test pilot. Col. Gregory has logged almost 7,000 hours of flight time in over 50 types of aircraft including 550 combat missions in Vietnam.

Selected as an astronaut in January of 1978, he supported STS-1 and STS-2, logged over 455 hours in space, piloted STS-51B, and was the spacecraft commander on STS-33 and STS-44. After that, Col Gregory served at NASA Headquarters as Associate Administrator for the Office of Safety and Mission Assurance, Associate Administrator for the Office of Space Flight, and NASA Deputy Administrator.

The 2017 Living History Film Series held at the Air Force Museum Theatre is presented by Craig & Betty Willan and supported by The Boeing Company and Holiday Inn Dayton-Fairborn. Combining film screenings with dynamic speakers, veterans and film makers we bring aviation history alive for our visitors. Tickets are available at the theatre's ticket counter, can be ordered online through our website afmuseum.com/livinghistory or by calling 937-253-4629.

The Air Force Museum Theatre is operated by the Air Force Museum Foundation, Inc., a Section 501(c)(3) private, non-profit organization that assists the Air Force in the development and expansion of the facilities of the National Museum of the United States Air Force. For more information on the Air Force Museum Foundation, visit www.afmuseum.com. The Air Force Museum Foundation is not part of the Department of Defense or any of its components and it has no governmental status.

The National Museum of the U.S. Air Force, located at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base near Dayton, Ohio, is the world's largest military aviation museum. With free admission and parking, the museum features more than 360 aerospace vehicles and missiles and thousands of artifacts amid more than 19 acres of indoor exhibit space.

Each year about one million visitors from around the world come to the museum. For more information, visit www.nationalmuseum.af.mil.

NOTE TO PUBLIC: For more information, please contact the Air Force Museum Theatre at 937-253-4629 or visit www.afmuseum.com or email theatre@afmuseum.com

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Provided Photos:

- Col Fred Gregory, USAF (ret)
- “Hidden Figures” movie poster