

The Fiery Trial

A wristband is required to enter *The Fiery Trial* and is available at the Info Desk. As you enter the exhibit, follow the numbers listed on the map to visit each gallery in chronological order. Don't miss the three interactive "12 Tales" stations (see ★ on map).

1 The Civil War and Remembrance

Monuments, graves, and cannons are some of the markers of the Civil War. We pass them every day and give them little thought.

2 Our Forefathers

Journey back to the 1850s. What was life like in the Upper Middle West before the war? Explore the issues that drove our country into civil war.

3 Abolitionism & Underground Railroad

4 The Union In Crisis

What were the views of the typical resident of the Upper Middle West at the dawn of the Civil War? Listen as men debate in the Union House whether a war will occur, listen as a husband and wife argue over the merits of hiding escaped slaves, and participate in a Wide Awake rally. ★ 12 Tales - #1

5 War, War, War

All aboard! Feel the excitement of soldiers, spouses, and businessmen as they flock to the front. Experience the enthusiastic send-off of Kenosha's Park City Greys.

6 Tenting Tonight

What was a soldier's day like? What did they eat, what happened to the wounded, and how did they get news? ★ 12 Tales - #2

7 State Contributions/Seeing the Elephant

Learn about Upper Middle West state contributions to the Civil War. See rare artifacts from each state. Check out the laser map.

8 Homeward Bound

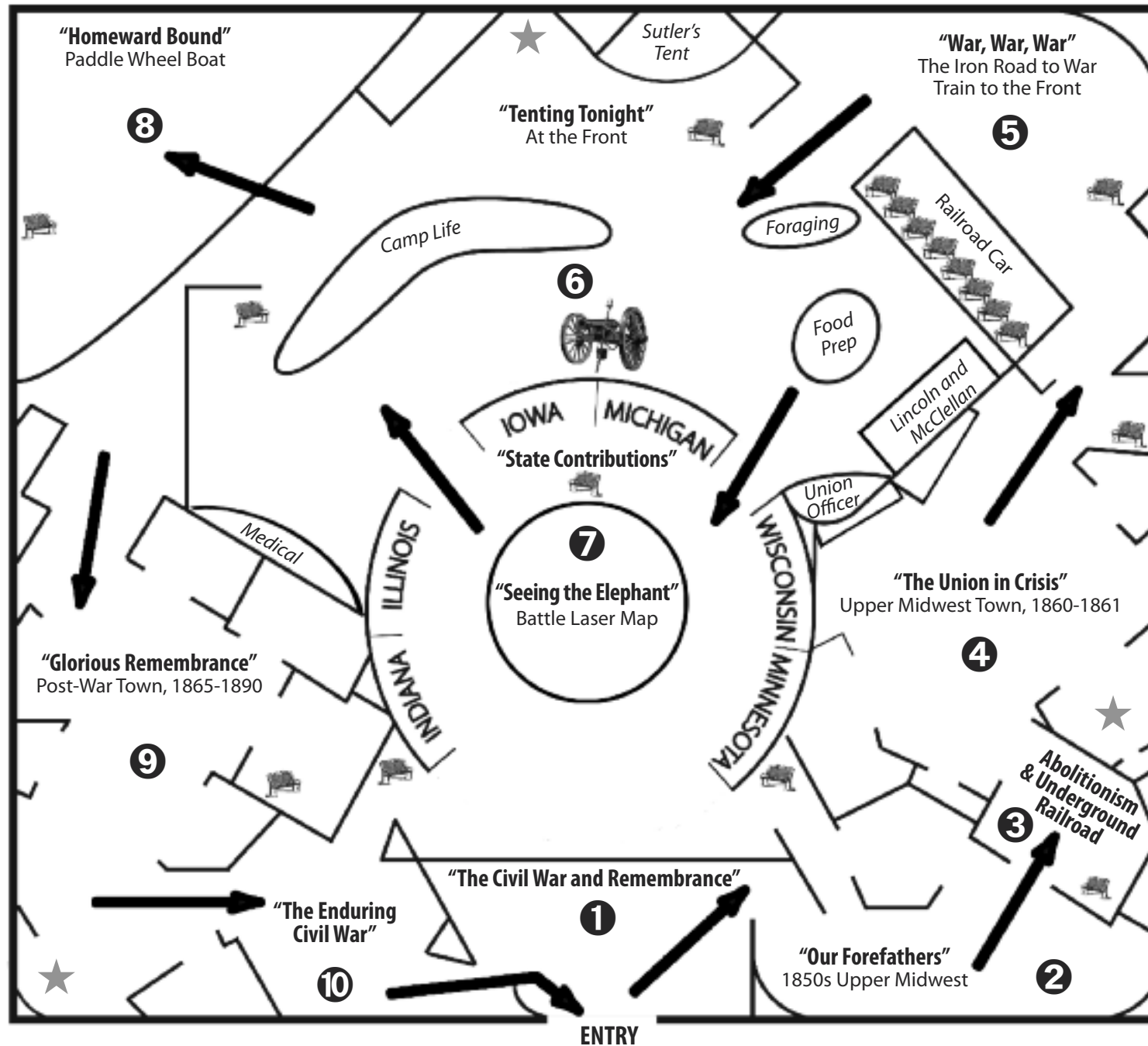
The war is over but the nation mourns for the assassinated President Abraham Lincoln. Board the riverboat home. Hear the continuation of the stories of some of the folks you met on the train and meet new people. Find out why the Union navy was so important to the war effort.

9 Glorious Remembrance

Soldiers returned home. How were they different? How did towns change in their absence? How did they commemorate their experiences? The founding of veterans' organizations, children's homes, soldiers' homes and the westward movement changed life in America forever. ★ 12 Tales - #3

10 The Enduring Civil War

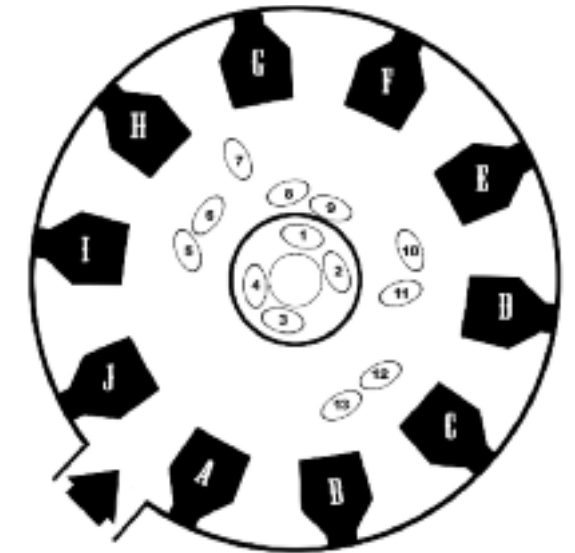
The war still lingers today. Movies, books, civil rights, state rights, confederate flag controversies are reminders of the Civil War era.



Veterans Memorial Gallery

The Kenosha Public Museums are proud to honor all United States soldiers and veterans. Reflecting on the theme, "Solidarity of Soldiers," Civil War soldiers huddle around a campfire under a twilight sky. Surrounding them are life-size soldiers from the Revolutionary War to present day conflicts. These soldiers all have a common bond – the waiting, the anxiety and the camaraderie shared in those quiet moments between battles. They share a common sense of duty, patriotism and honor, no matter where or when they serve or have served our nation.

Around the gallery perimeter are displays of artifacts and memorabilia from each war. The Veterans Terrace on the exterior of the Civil War Museum surrounds the Gallery. The bricks in the terrace honor veterans of all wars.



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| A. Revolutionary War War of 1812 | 1. Civil War - Army Artillery Man |
| B. Mexican American War | 2. Civil War - Army Iron Brigade |
| C. Civil War | 3. Civil War - Army Drummer Boy |
| D. Spanish American War | 4. Civil War - Navy |
| E. World War I | 5. Gulf War - Army Female |
| F. World War II | 6. WWII Army - Paratrooper |
| G. Korean War | 7. Korean War - Army |
| H. Vietnam War | 8. WWI - Marine |
| I. Gulf Wars | 9. Vietnam War - Army |
| J. The Future | 10. WWII - Army Nurse |
| | 11. Revolutionary War - Army |
| | 12. Spanish American War - Army |
| | 13. Vietnam War - Air Force |

Artifacts and exhibit enhancements will be added over time to *The Fiery Trial*. Visitors are encouraged to come back often to see the exhibits in greater detail and enjoy new additions to the museum experience.