Pearl Harbor 60th Anniversary Tribute Stirs Memories Of Wartime And Heroes

Memorial Day PBS-TV Extravaganza



Walter Cronkite (far right) pioneer newsman, always among those known to be in touch with his story, stands with some of the heroes to be celebrated at the live PBS Memorial Day Concert broadcast from on the lawn of the Capitol.

(NAPSA)—This year's National Memorial Day Concert, broadcast on PBS from the U.S. Capitol's West Lawn on May 27 at 8 pm ET (check local listings) offers an opportunity to raise your flag and salute America's valiant veterans.

The live concert features journalist Walter Cronkite in a moving tribute to the World War II generation in honor of the 60th anniversary of Pearl Harbor.

In remembrance of those who tragically lost their lives in the infamous attack on Pearl Harbor, Cronkite takes us back to Dec. 7, 1941.

On that day, when war came to America almost twenty-five hundred sailors and servicemen perished and more than one thousand were wounded.

Documentary footage of the attack shows deadly torpedoes hitting the great ships moored in "battleship row" and capsizing them within minutes.

Cronkite pays tribute to the

extraordinary generation of young men and women who made great sacrifices on the homefront and the battlefields of Europe and the Pacific to win World War II.

The National Memorial Day Concert will also mark the 10th Anniversary of Desert Storm and honor Korean War POWs who survived prison camps as deadly as any battle.

The show is hosted by distinguished actor Ossie Davis, with an array of guest artists in performance with the National Symphony Orchestra under the direction of pops conductor Erich Kunzel including Grammy winner Travis Tritt, legendary singer Art Garfunkel, Charles Durning, John Schneider, Broadway's Tom Wopat, Tom Bosley, Richard Crenna, and tenor John McDermott.

For additional concert details visit www.pbs.org/memorialday concert or consult your local listings for airtime on Sunday, May 27, 2001.