



## **Exhibition Description**

*Colonel Young's Letters Home*, a compelling new exhibition from the National Park Service, takes an up-close look at Colonel Charles Young and the Buffalo Soldiers. This exhibition chronicles the life of Colonel Charles Young and the Buffalo Soldiers who are important African American figures that helped make the dream of careers in the military and Americas National Parks possible. These legendary heroes whose contributions are explored through videos, handouts, and captivating displays include over 40 historical images and primary documents from the National Afro-American Museum and Cultural Center located in Wilberforce, Ohio. The stories of these amazing soldiers have the power to resonate with today's young audiences making the past meaningful and exciting. This exhibition can be requested by the general public as part of the centennial celebration of the National Park Service and the sesquicentennial celebration of the Buffalo Soldiers becoming a separate group within the U.S. Army in 1866.

## **Registration Requirements**

*Colonel Young's Letters Home* has been designated moderate security and will be offered to institutions able to meet the following requirements. Key requirements are listed below.

### **Exhibit Space**

The exhibition must be displayed in a gallery, lounge area, classroom, resource center, or other appropriate indoor space allowing 6-8 feet of display space. An open mall, tent, or temporary building is not acceptable. The host institution will need to provide a table to display brochures/pamphlets accompanying reading material and a computer or monitor to show the videos on Colonel Charles Young, West Point, and the Buffalo Soldiers. **This must be provided by the host.**

### **Protection/ Security**

The exhibition may not be left unguarded at any time while open to the public. Fire-protection systems that meet local ordinances are required. The exhibition must be locked and secure during closing hours. Alarm and or guards during night hours are preferred but not required.

### **Environmental Controls**

Direct sunlight must be eliminated to prevent fading of panels, photographs, and graphics. The exhibition area must be climate-controlled. Temperature, humidity and light controls are required for exhibition and storage areas.

### **Handling**

The handling of exhibit panels will be captured in the instructions that will accompany the exhibit.

### Complete Package:

The exhibition itself is only a portion of what the National Park Service delivers. As a host of *Colonel Young's Letters Home*, you will receive the following resources to facilitate your presentation of these powerful stories.

- Complete shipping, handling, and installation instructions.
- Public relations support, including sample press release and advice on promoting the exhibition and hosting special events.
- 200 Brochures to handout to audience.
- Videos on Colonel Charles Young, West Point, and the Buffalo Soldiers.
- Centennial Commemorative Posters for Educators (While supplies last)

### **Exhibition Specifications**

	<b>Traveling Exhibition Specifications</b>
<b>Contents</b>	Large free standing units with graphic reproductions and text. The panels and graphics reveal over 40 historic artifacts about Colonel Charles Young and the Buffalo Soldiers.
<b>Supplemental</b>	Banners and DVDS
<b>Participation Fee</b>	Fed Ex Shipping Fees per 3-week slot plus shipping
<b>Size</b>	Length 79 inches Width 33 ½ width
<b>Cases</b>	4 Banners (4 Exhibit Cases and one box of pamphlets/ brochures, 3 videos)
<b>Weight</b>	10 pounds for each banner (which totals 40 pounds), Box of Handouts and Audio Visual Equipment (8-10 pounds)
<b>Category</b>	Military History & Culture
<b>Security</b>	Moderate (Most be located in an enclosed area)
<b>Shipping</b>	Shipping Varies Based on Destination
<b>Park Contacts</b>	Joy Kinard, (937) 366-9524 (joy_kinard@nps.gov) Asia Roebuck, (937) 503-5614 (asia_roebuck@nps.gov) Tom Engberg (740) 703-4682 (tom_engberg@nps.gov)
<b>Tour Through</b>	Wednesday, November 11, 2015- Friday, November 11, 2016



**Charles Young  
Buffalo Soldiers  
National Monument**

