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Lewis and Clark Traveling Exhibit Coming to St. Louis Area

The “Corps of Discovery II: 200 Years to the Future,” a federal interagency traveling exhibit, will be hosted by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, St. Louis District, March 27 to April 1 at the National Great Rivers Museum in Alton, Ill., and April 7-11 at Rend Lake in Benton, Ill. The exhibit is free to the public and will be open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Corps II is a mobile exhibit designed to provide visitors an introduction to the Lewis and Clark story, including the natural history, cultural resources and the people of our nation before, during and after the Lewis and Clark Expedition.

The traveling exhibit includes two tents with interpretive exhibits and a performance tent called the “Tent of Many Voice.” The “Tent of Many Voices,” the central feature of Corps II, is a 150-seat auditorium used as a venue for cultural arts demonstrations, folklore, music, living history presentations, readings from the expedition journals and more.

“This is a great opportunity for the public to learn more about the legendary Lewis and Clark Expedition and its great significance in American history,” said Carol Ryan, National Great Rivers Museum director.

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Corps II is a joint effort of federal and state agencies, private and nonprofit organizations, and American Indian tribes. The National Park Service provides major funding, exhibit design and production, transportation, and support staff through the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail, based in Omaha, Neb.

In Alton, special weekday school group programs can be arranged by calling the Alton Convention and Visitor Bureau at 1-800-258-6645.

Additional information is available on the web at www.lewisandclarknet.org or www.nps.gov/lecl.

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Editor's Note: Pre-event interviews can be arranged by calling the Public Affairs Office at 314-331-8068/8095/8002. Media are invited to attend this event. Pre-coordination with the Public Affairs Office or the National Great Rivers Museum, 618-462-6979, would be appreciated but is not required.