

18 June 2015

## Flypasts honour Armed Forces Day guests

**Date:** 27 June 2015

**Time:** 11.00am – 2.30pm

**Cost:** FREE (Veterans and their guests must pre-register)

**Flypast:** Dakota 2.15pm (weather permitting)  
Vulcan time TBC (weather permitting)

**On Saturday 27 June, events across the country will celebrate the contributions made by Her Majesty's Armed Forces. The annual Armed Forces Day is an opportunity to reflect and pay tribute to our heroes past and present, including current serving personnel, service families, veterans and cadets.**

The Royal Air Force Museum Cosford will once again participate in this annual event by hosting veterans from all three services. During this special reunion, Veterans will be treated to a full day's programme of activities. There will be free refreshments for guests, on arrival at 11.00am, followed by a short presentation. For lunch, veterans will have the rare opportunity of dining amongst the aircraft and artefacts on display in the Museum's Hangar 1.

During the afternoon, guests will be treated to musical performances from The Jays, a 1940s Singing Quintet who love nothing more than resurrecting the wonderful hits of the Second World War made famous by The Andrews Sisters and The Glenn Miller Orchestra. Their toe tapping, memory jogging 1940s vocal harmonies will have Armed Forces Day Guests singing along to every song.

A highlight of the day will be a spectacular flypast from the Battle of Britain Memorial Flight Dakota, scheduled for 2.15pm (weather permitting) and the world's last flying Vulcan bomber (time TBC).

### **Abi Betteridge, RAF Museum Cosford Public Events Manager said:**

*"It is an honour for the RAF Museum to be able to host so many Veterans and Serving Personnel on Armed Forces Day. We have a fantastic day planned for guests and having two spectacular flypasts scheduled is a real treat for our guests and all visitors to the Museum. Spaces to the event are limited and we are already over half subscribed so we would advise anyone wanting to be part of the day to book soon."*

All-in-all this promises to be an exciting day which will enable Veterans to meet up with old friends, reminisce over shared experiences, and enjoy themselves in the authentic atmosphere and setting of the Royal Air Force Museum. The day will conclude at 2.15pm where guests are free to wander round the Museum.

Attendance to the event is free of charge and by advance registration only. Any Veterans who would like to attend the event, are asked to book their place now by calling **01902 376 200** or for more information visit [www.rafmuseum.org/cosford](http://www.rafmuseum.org/cosford). Parking for Armed Forces Day guests is also free.

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