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**CASEMATE MUSEUM AT FORT MONROE TO PARTICIPATE IN COLLECTIONS
ASSESSMENT FOR PRESERVATION PROGRAM**

Fort Monroe - Casemate Museum at Fort Monroe announces that it is one of 75 institutions from across the country selected to participate in the inaugural year of the [Collections Assessment for Preservation \(CAP\)](#) program.

Administered by the Foundation of the American Institute for Conservation of Historic and Artist Works, CAP assists museums in improving the care of their collections by providing support for a conservation assessment of the museum’s collections and buildings. A team of two preservation professionals will spend two days surveying the site and meeting with staff before preparing a comprehensive report that will identify preventive conservation priorities. The assessment report will help the museum prioritize its collections care efforts in the coming years.

The Casemate Museum at Fort Monroe expects the program to be a first step in the next phase of its collections care work. “The United States Army, in one of their largest transfers of a collection to a non-military facility, has trusted us with the preservation of this collection. CAP will allow us to bring the collection into alignment with best practices and allow more public access through exhibits, programs, and collection studies”, said Robin Reed, Casemate Museum Director.

The CAP program is administered by FAIC through a cooperative agreement with the Institute of Museum and Library Services, a federal grant making agency that supports museums and libraries.

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About the Casemate Museum at Fort Monroe

The Casemate Museum is located at 20 Bernard Road and specializes in historical, military, and social history of Fort Monroe. It is open from 10:30am to 4:30pm, 7 days a week May through September, closed Mondays from October through April. Learn more at <http://www.fmauthority.com/visit/casemate-museum/>.



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