

## Yorktown redoubt restoration completed at Army Heritage and Education Center

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*A Scale replica of Yorktown redoubt #10*

After extensive renovation work, the Redoubt #10 exhibit has reopened on the Army Heritage Trail at United States Army Heritage and Education Center .

The Redoubt #10 exhibit recreates a small British fortification captured by American forces under the leadership of Lt. Col. Alexander Hamilton during the Battle of Yorktown, VA, on October 14, 1781.

“What makes this work so important is the Redoubt serves as a symbol of one of the first, and some historians would say, most critically important victories of the young, developing U.S. Army,” he said.

“All of our exhibits require regular maintenance and Redoubt # 10 is no

exception,” said Jack Giblin, director of AHEC Visitor and Education Service.

The repair team replaced the defensive structures with prepared new logs using traditional techniques to give the Redoubt a fresh, period-appropriate look.

The scale replica features many of the same defensive works as the original redoubt at Yorktown, including dirt-filled gabions, timber palisades, and a ditch leading to the steep sides of the fortification. In addition, the exhibit contains several period artillery pieces, including two eighteen pounder cannons with a commanding view of Interstate 81 and two twenty-four pounder mortars.

Visitors are encouraged to visit and experience the Redoubt, as well as the other exhibits on the Army Heritage Trail. All exhibits at the AHEC are free and open to the public. The buildings on the Trail are open Monday through Saturday, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., and Sunday from 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Visitors are welcome to walk the trail from dawn to dusk, 7 days a week.

Visit the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center, and its outdoor museum on the Army Heritage Trail, at 650 Soldiers Drive, Carlisle 17013. Learn more at [ahec.armywarcollege.edu](http://ahec.armywarcollege.edu).