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Maryland Public Television earns two Emmys® for *MPT Salutes Vietnam Veterans* initiative

OWINGS MILLS, MD –Maryland Public Television (MPT) earned seven Emmy® Awards during the National Capital Chesapeake Bay Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences 59th Emmy Awards on June 24. Among the seven awards, two were related to the station’s [MPT Salutes Vietnam Veterans](#) initiative. MPT earned Emmys in the Community Service category for the veterans initiative and in the Audio category for its multi-part documentary [Maryland Vietnam War Stories](#).

MPT Salutes Vietnam Veterans, the largest initiative in Maryland Public Television’s history, recognized and thanked the region’s men and women who served in the military during the Vietnam era. The multi-year initiative culminated in May 2016 with the broadcast premiere of a three-hour documentary, *Maryland Vietnam War Stories*, and a two-day public event last June – [LZ Maryland](#) – which drew more than 16,000 veterans and guests to the Maryland State Fairgrounds in Timonium. More information about the MPT Vietnam initiative can be found at mpt.org/vietnam, and at social media sites [@MPTSalutesVets](#) on Twitter and [@mptsalutesvietnamveterans](#) on Facebook.

In the past decade alone, MPT productions and personnel have earned nearly 70 regional Emmys. Since its launch in 1969, Maryland Public Television has also been the recipient of four national Emmy® Awards.

MPT is a commemorative partner in the 50th anniversary observance of the [U.S. Department of Defense Vietnam War Commemoration](#). The Commemorative Partner Program is designed for federal, state and local communities, veterans organizations and other nongovernmental organizations to assist a grateful nation in thanking and honoring Vietnam veterans and their families.

About MPT

Launched in 1969 and headquartered in Owings Mills, MD, Maryland Public Television is a nonprofit, state-licensed public television network and member of the Public Broadcasting Service (PBS). MPT’s six transmitters cover Maryland plus portions of contiguous states and the District of Columbia. Frequent winner of regional Emmy® awards, MPT creates local, regional, and national television shows.

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