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Monday, July 18, for meeting time and location. \*\*\*\***

### ***Darnall showcases Soldiers' art, encourages healing***

FORT HOOD, Texas – An opening ceremony for the Carl R. Darnall Army Medical Center Soldier Art Show titled, *Unspoken: Overcoming Struggles of Combat through Art,* will be held from 3 – 5 p.m. Monday at the III Corps Headquarters building east atrium.

The exhibit, which is free and open to the public, features more than 25 original pieces created by Soldiers from across Fort Hood who have deployed in support of combat operations, Col. Patrick Sargent, CRDAMC commander, said.

“We encourage our friends, neighbors and community members to come and experience the Soldier Art Show,” he said. “This is a wonderful opportunity to connect with our Soldiers in a very deep and personal way.”

Art has long been recognized as a way to express emotions or reactions to events that can sometimes be difficult to verbalize because it provides distance from the experience allowing the artist to view it with a certain degree of objectivity.

The collection showcases a wide range of art mediums including photography, poetry, drawings, paintings, ceramics and sculptures. All submissions are anonymous, but pieces will be individually numbered and visitors will be able to respond to the artists by leaving comment cards.

Guests will also have an opportunity to participate in a sketch table, meet CRDAMC Department of Behavioral Health social work providers and enjoy refreshments.

The exhibit will be available for viewing July 18 – 19 at the III Corps Headquarters and July 20 – 22 in the CRDAMC main lobby.

All artwork has been assessed for appropriate content prior to exhibition.