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SUBJECT: Special Virtual Events Featuring DAV

This Veterans Day, DAV continues to be involved in a multitude of activities at the local, state and national levels. We are excited to announce two, late-breaking online events that will put DAV's message in front of a large audience.

First up, on Thursday, November 3, the latest installment in the annual DAV Distinguished Speakers Series will feature a conversation with award-winning author and filmmaker Sebastian Junger. The event is titled "Bridging the Gap: Sebastian Junger on the Dangers of the Military-Civilian Divide" and is scheduled from 12:30–1:30 p.m. ET. A recipient of the 2012 DAV Bugle Award, Junger is the author of "The Perfect Storm," "Tribe" and "Freedom," as well as the producer-director of the Oscar-nominated documentary "Restrepo." Junger will discuss the military-civilian divide—the experiential, cultural, and social gulf between service members and veterans, and civilians—and how it exerts a powerful, albeit rarely acknowledged, influence on American society. Registration for this event is free and available [here](#).

The following week, DAV will team up once again with Theater of War for a virtual reading and discussion of Philoctetes. The online broadcast is scheduled Wednesday, November 9, from 7–9:30 p.m. ET. This ancient Greek play was written by Sophocles and will be performed by actors John Turturro (Severance, The Big Lebowski), Kathryn Erbe (Law & Order) and David Zayas (Dexter), as well as author and DAV member Anthony Swofford (Jarhead) and DAV ambassadors Latoya Lucas and Kevin Miller. Reacting to the piece will be a group of veterans including Nancy Espinosa, DAV's national senior vice commander, and Oscar Olguin, associate national voluntary services director. Registration is free and available [here](#).

You should all be proud that DAV will again be spotlighted on the national media stage, which will help further the public's knowledge of who we are and how we serve veterans. We ask that you share this information with friends, family and fellow veterans, so together we can honor those who served.

Thank you for all the work you do in support of our nation's veterans every day.


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Attached you will find information regarding the special virtual events featuring DAV.

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