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## Compelling new series "After Action" begins Jan. 9 at 9 p.m. on South Carolina ETV

Episode 1 of After Action re-airs on Jan. 9, with new episodes airing weekly thereafter

**COLUMBIA, SC-** The season premiere of *After Action*, a new series highlighting conversations with veterans, will air on Jan. 9 at 9 p.m., on ETV-HD and will be distributed by PBS to public television stations throughout the U.S. Viewers outside of South Carolina should check local listings to see when *After Action* airs on a local PBS station.

Episode 1 of <u>After Action</u> premiered on Nov. 11, 2022 in honor of Veterans Day. The season premiere will re-air Episode 1 titled *All Gave Some*, on Jan. 9, with new episodes airing weekly.

Featuring seven, one-hour episodes, *After Action* documents the experiences of 21 diverse veterans from across the country. Hosted by Air Force combat veteran Stacy Pearsall, this powerful series reveals what life is like for these American heroes before, during and after action.

- Episode 1: Host Stacy Pearsall sits down with three veterans who've all had brushes with death.
- Episode 2: Host Stacy Pearsall sits down with three veterans who used to transform new recruits.
- Episode 3: Host Stacy Pearsall sits down with three veterans who have a connection to citizenship.
- Episode 4: Host Stacy Pearsall sits down with three veterans who were the first women in their fields
- **Episode 5:** Host Stacy Pearsall sits down with three veterans who've experienced military sexual trauma.
- **Episode 6:** Host Stacy Pearsall sits down with three veterans who reveal the power of service animals.
- Episode 7: Host Stacy Pearsall sits down with three veterans who reveal the trials of returning home

The season premiere will be marked by special community screenings and panel discussions of **After Action** across the state. Hosted by <u>South Carolina ETV</u>, the <u>ETV Endowment</u> and the <u>USCB Center for the Arts</u>, a <u>screening</u> of Episode 2 will be held on Jan. 17 at 5:30 p.m. at USC Beaufort. The screening will be followed by a conversation moderated by ETV Lowcountry's Holly Bounds-Jackson along with series host Stacy Pearsall and featured **After Action** veterans: Bambi Bullard, Dan Wrightsman and Meggen Ditmore. On Jan. 19 at 6 p.m., a <u>screening</u> will be held in at the Greenville Water Community Room. An additional screening is also planned to take place in Sumter, SC.

Produced by <u>South Carolina ETV</u>, production funding for *After Action* is provided by the ETV Endowment of South Carolina and Polycor.

In addition to <u>scetv.org</u>, as a PBS-distributed series, *After Action* will also be available for streaming on the PBS app, PBS Amazon Prime and on <u>PBS.org</u>.

Visit <u>pbs.org/afteraction</u> to learn more information about *After Action*, the veterans featured in the show and resources for veterans. Viewers can also engage with the show on social media by searching the *@AfterActionETV* handle on Facebook and Instagram.



Those interested in engagement with veterans featured in the series should <u>email SCETV</u> Communications.

View a teaser for Episode 1 of *After Action*.

## **FAST FACTS**

- **After Action** is a new series highlighting conversations with veterans. The season premiere airs on Jan. 9, at 9 p.m. on ETV
- Featuring seven, one-hour episodes, *After Action* documents the experiences of 21 diverse veterans from across the country.
- Air Force combat veteran Stacy Pearsall's own struggles to reconnect with society challenges her fellow veterans to probe deeper into their stories, helping to provide a better appreciation for those who've served.
- Episode 1 of the series premiered on Nov. 11, 2022 in honor of Veterans Day.
- Visit <u>pbs.org/afteraction</u> or @AfterActionETV on Facebook and Instagram to learn more information about **After Action**, the veterans featured in the show and resources for veterans.

## **About South Carolina ETV and Public Radio**

South Carolina ETV (SCETV) is the state's public educational broadcasting network. SCETV amplifies South Carolina voices, provides educational experiences and strengthens communities, while working toward creating a stronger, more connected and informed South Carolina. In addition to airing local programs, such as *Carolina Classrooms*, *Making It Grow* and *This Week in South Carolina*, SCETV also presents multiple programs to regional and national audiences, including *By The River, Expeditions, Reconnecting Roots, Reel South, Somewhere South, Yoga in Practice* and *Live from Charleston Music Hall.* In addition, SC Public Radio produces the national radio production, *Chamber Music from Spoleto Festival USA*.

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