

Union soldiers fire their weapons on the battlefield during the Fort Stevens Annual Civil War Reenactment in 2016, at Fort Stevens Historical Area in Warrenton.



LIVING HISTORY

The Northwest's largest Civil War Reenactment staged at Clatsop County Fairgrounds, Sept. 1-3

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Reenactments of the Civil War have been staged nearly since the guns fell silent at Appomattox in 1865. The earliest reenactments were carried out by Civil War veterans

as a way to honor their fallen comrades and educate civilians about the events of the nation's deadliest conflict.

This Labor Day Weekend, Clatsop County Fairgrounds in Astoria hosts a three-day Civil War Reenactment and Living History, Saturday through Monday, Sept. 1 through 3.



Confederate soldiers practice forming ranks before the start of battle during the 2016 reenactment at Fort Stevens Historical Area in Warrenton.

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