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Sesame Street comes to Fort Leonard Wood

FORT LEONARD WOOD, Mo. – The Sesame Street/USO Experience for Military Families tour is scheduled to arrive on post for two performances June 6. The 30-minute shows are slated at 3 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. in Abrams Theater.

Families will enjoy seeing familiar Sesame Street friends such as Elmo, Grover, Cookie Monster and their new friend Katie, a military child character. The premise for the show revolves around helping Katie as she prepares to move to a new post with her family.

The Sesame Street/USO Experience for Military Families tour was created in 2008. The tour hopes to help serve as an icebreaker for military families to have open discussions about topics such as relocations and deployments.

Admission is free for military personnel and their families. Performances are not open to the general public. The Sesame Street/USO Experience for Military Families is designed specifically for children aged 1 through 6, but appropriate for the entire family.

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For more information, contact the Fort Leonard Wood Public Affairs Office at (573) 563-4145. Katie Bowra is a volunteer with the Guidon newspaper.

About Fort Leonard Wood

Fort Leonard Wood is a thriving and prosperous installation that has evolved from a small basic training post 70 years ago to a premier Army Center of Excellence that trains more than 80,000 military and civilians each year.

Home to the Maneuver Support Center of Excellence, Fort Leonard Wood now trains and educates service members and develops doctrine and capabilities for the Training and Doctrine Command's U.S. Army Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear School, U.S. Army Engineer School, and U.S. Army Military Police School, three gender integrated Initial Military Training brigades, one of only five reception stations in the Army, and the Army's largest Noncommissioned Officers Academy.

Over the past several years, Fort Leonard Wood has received numerous additional responsibilities to include supporting the 4th Maneuver Enhancement Brigade, a large Forces Command unit that is responsible for all deployable capabilities at Fort Leonard Wood. A colonel-commanded Marine Corps Detachment and an Air Force Detachment, which are both the largest on any Army installation, are located on Fort Leonard Wood; a large Navy Seabee Detachment and elements of the Coast Guard train here as well.

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