

VIETNAM IN CONTEXT



With military efforts in Afghanistan coming to an end, and the war in Iraq having ceased, returning veterans may find themselves facing chronic health and other combat stressors similar to those faced by their brothers and sisters in conflicts past. Please join American heroes Jack McLean and Dick Hughes as they share lessons learned from the Vietnam War and their work with survivor groups.

The Healing Continues

Tuesday, November 13, 2012

7 p.m.

Lehr Room,
Bolger Conference Center, Gordinier Hall

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Speakers:

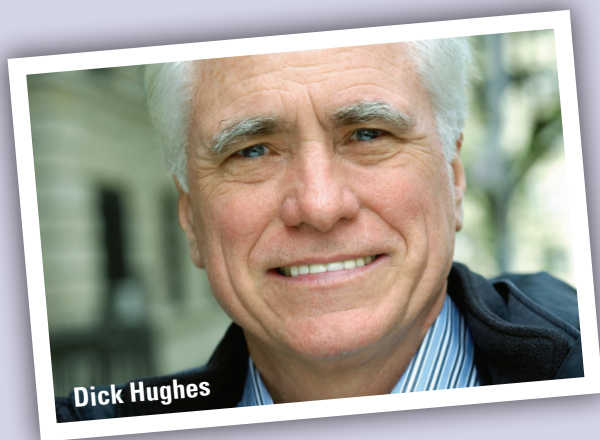


Jack McLean

Jack McLean is the author of *Loon: A Marine Story*, the highly-acclaimed and gripping memoir about McLean's life from a civilian—to enlisted Marine at Parris Island—to combat veteran in Vietnam—to the first Vietnam veteran to graduate from Harvard. McLean will discuss the tumultuous political times of the late 1960s and the effect those events had on the average Marine fighting in Vietnam. He will include personal insights not only for today's student-veteran, but for veterans and their families across all generations.

Dick Hughes has been helping to heal the wounds of Vietnam for more than 40 years beginning with his Shoeshine Boys Project (1968–76) in Saigon and Da Nang that provided assistance to some 2,500 homeless Vietnamese street-children by helping them find food and shelter. More recently, Hughes is leading the nonprofit organization Loose Cannons, Inc., a group dedicated to bringing awareness to the health effects of Agent Orange. Hughes will explain ways students can make a difference in the world today, and provide current information about the lingering effects of chemical warfare.

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