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Smithsonian Exhibit at Missoula Technology and Development Center and Aerial Fire Depot

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Missoula, MT... A free Smithsonian exhibition entitled *Inspirations from the Forest* will be displayed at the Missoula Technology and Development Center (MTDC) and the Missoula Smokejumper Base May 23rd through June 2nd.

The exhibit will be displayed at MTDC May 23 through the 26th and then at the Smokejumper Base Training Center from May 29th through June 1st. Display times run from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm at both locations.

The exhibit is composed of 16 panels highlighting the occupational and cultural traditions of men and women who live and work in the forest and grasslands and were developed during the Forest Service centennial year. Visitors will also be able to learn more about the operations at MTDC and tour the smokejumper visitor's center.

This exhibit was produced by the Smithsonian Center for Folklife and Cultural Heritage, the USDA Forest Service, and the National Endowment of the Arts.

The Missoula Technology and Development Center is located at 5785 W. Broadway (turn left at Butler Creek Rd.) and the Smokejumper base is located at 5765 W. Broadway, just west of the airport.

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Information on the facilities and programs can be found at: http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/mftc/index_home.shtml