



PORTRAIT OF A WARRIOR GALA

2026 Sponsorship Opportunities

Saturday, November 14, 2026



Featured Speaker

**Sergeant Major (Ret.)
Jason M. Geis**

U.S. Army • 1992–2012



Live Music

Stan Ellis and the Stampede Band

Featured Speaker

SERGEANT MAJOR (RET.) JASON M. GEIS

U.S. Army • 1992–2012 • Combat Medic to Sergeant Major



Jason Geis served 20 years in the U.S. Army, enlisting as a combat medic and rising to the rank of Sergeant Major. His service took him to Iraq, including a 2004 deployment north of Fallujah, as well as Kosovo and humanitarian missions in Central America after Hurricane Mitch. He went on to earn two master's degrees, an MBA and an MA.

We are honored to welcome him as the featured speaker of the Portrait of a Warrior Gala, as our community comes together to honor Kern County's Fallen Heroes and the families who keep their memories alive.

- ◆ 82nd Airborne, 101st Airborne & 25th Infantry Divisions
- ◆ Division West, 1st Army • Operation Iraqi Freedom
- ◆ Two master's degrees: MBA and MA



Then • Deployed with his unit

Our Mission

Their Stories, Kept Alive for Every Generation.

Portrait of a Warrior Gallery exists to ensure the stories and sacrifices of Kern County's Fallen Heroes are Always Remembered. Never Forgotten.

Through portraiture, biographies, educational programming, and evolving exhibits, the Gallery preserves the legacy of those who gave their lives in service to our nation, while inspiring future generations to understand the true cost of freedom.

Your sponsorship is more than support for a single evening. It is an investment in remembrance, education, and honoring the men and women who have served our country.

Killed in Action • Post 9/11

The Fallen 27

Ricardo Barraza

U.S. Army • Apr 18, 2006

Domenico Baroncini Jr.

U.S. Army • Oct 15, 2006

Clay Patrick Farr

U.S. Army • Feb 26, 2006

Brian Freeman

U.S. Army • Jan 20, 2007

Alberto Garcia Jr.

U.S. Army • Mar 13, 2007

Jason E. George

U.S. Army • May 21, 2009

Adan Gonzales Jr.

U.S. Marine Corps • Aug 7, 2011

Luis E. Gutierrez-Rosales

U.S. Army • Jul 18, 2007

Fernando B. Hannon

U.S. Marine Corps • Aug 15, 2004

Kenneth K. Hermogino

U.S. Air Force / Army • May 9, 2011

Troy Jenkins

U.S. Marine Corps / Army • 2003

Rhys William Klasno

U.S. Army • CA Guard • May 13, 2007

Brett W. Land

U.S. Army • Oct 30, 2010

Joseph C. Lopez

U.S. Marine Corps • Oct 14, 2010

Angel de Jesus Lucio Ramirez

U.S. Army • Nov 11, 2006

Herman "Tre" Mackey III

U.S. Air Force • May 3, 2013

Christopher Lee Moore

U.S. Army • May 19, 2007

Osbaldo Orozco

U.S. Army • Apr 25, 2003

Branch of Service • Date of Death**Brian J. Pedro**

U.S. Army • Oct 2, 2010

David S. Perry

U.S. Army • CA Guard • Aug 10, 2003

Benjamin B. Portell

U.S. Army • Dec 26, 2007

Brian "Cody" Prosser

U.S. Army • Dec 5, 2001

Rudy A. Salcido

U.S. Army • Nov 9, 2006

Joshua W. Soto

U.S. Army • Jun 16, 2009

Marvin R. Sprayberry III

U.S. Army • May 3, 2004

Ramon A. Villatoro Jr.

U.S. Army • Jul 25, 2005

Adam O. Zanutto

U.S. Marine Corps • Mar 6, 2006

The Power of 27

27

Throughout the Gallery, the number 27 represents the 27 Post 9/11 Fallen Heroes from Kern County whose sacrifice inspires our mission.

Our giving levels reflect that commitment, inviting individuals, families, businesses, and community partners to become part of Team 27.

Sponsorship at a Glance

Compare What Each Level Includes.

	Team 27 \$27,000	Hall of Honor \$15,000	VIP Table \$5,000	Table \$2,700
Gala Seats	16	16	8	8
Plaque at the Gallery, 2027	Team 27	Hall of Honor	War Room	—
Event Program	Full page	Half page	Listing	Listing
Verbal Recognition at Gala	◆	◆	—	—
Gallery Website	◆	◆	◆	—
Event Social Media	◆	◆	◆	◆
Event Signage	◆	◆	◆	◆
Sponsor Gift	◆	—	—	—
Availability	Limited	Limited	Open	Open

Where Your Sponsorship Goes

Every Dollar Stays in Kern County, Honoring Our Heroes.

01 Portraits of the Fallen

Creating and preserving portraits of our post-9/11 Fallen Service Members.

02 Gold Star Families

Working directly with families to keep each hero's memory and story alive.

03 Exhibits & the New Location

Hall of Honor, Field Cross, Vietnam Veterans Memorial Room, and the Team Room.

04 Education

School field trips and veteran Q&A sessions on the cost of freedom.

05 Veteran Resources

Health, mental health, and veteran service connections in our Resource Room.

06 Seats for Veterans

Unused sponsor seats are offered to local veterans and their families.

Limited Availability • Premier

Team 27 Presenting Sponsor

\$27,000*Honoring Kern County's 27 Fallen Heroes*

The premier sponsorship of the Portrait of a Warrior Gala. You will be recognized as the sponsor of Team 27 at Portrait of a Warrior Gallery for 2027, with a recognition plaque displayed at the Gallery's new location throughout the year (Front Window Exhibit, Hall of Honor, Field Cross Exhibit, or other designated exhibit, as available).

- ◆ 2 reserved VIP tables for eight (16 seats)
- ◆ Verbal recognition during the gala program
- ◆ Recognition across event social media
- ◆ Exclusive commemorative sponsor gift
- ◆ Full-page recognition in the event program
- ◆ Recognition on the Gallery website
- ◆ Recognition on event signage
- ◆ 2027 Team 27 recognition plaque

Limited Availability

Hall of Honor Sponsor

\$15,000

Recognition as sponsor of the Gallery's Hall of Honor, home to 22 crosses representing the veteran and active-duty suicides that occur every day, designated at the Gallery's new location during 2027.

- ◆ 2 reserved tables for eight (16 seats)
- ◆ Verbal recognition during the gala program
- ◆ Recognition across event social media
- ◆ Half-page recognition in the event program
- ◆ Recognition on the Gallery website
- ◆ Recognition on event signage

VIP Table Sponsor**\$5,000**

Honor those who answered the call to serve while supporting the Gallery's efforts to educate, inspire, and preserve the legacy of our nation's heroes.

- ◆ Reserved Premium seating Tables
- ◆ War Room sponsor plaque
- ◆ Recognition in the event program
- ◆ Recognition on the Gallery website
- ◆ Recognition across event social media
- ◆ Recognition on Event Signage

Table Sponsor**\$2,700**

Join Team 27 by supporting the Gallery's mission and helping ensure the stories of our Fallen Heroes continue to inspire future generations.

- ◆ Full Table for eight (8)
- ◆ Recognition in the event program
- ◆ Recognition across event social media
- ◆ Recognition online

Ticket Opportunities**Individual Ticket****\$150****Couple's Ticket****\$270**

Tickets available online at [eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com) — search “POWG Gala Nov 14th 2026”.

**A Note to Our Sponsors**

If you are unable to fill all of the seats included with your sponsorship, please let us know. It would be our privilege to invite local veterans and their families to attend in your place, ensuring your generosity directly honors those who have served.

Submitting Your Sponsorship

Three Easy Ways to Send a Check.

Please include your completed Sponsor Commitment Form with your check so we can recognize you correctly.

Make Checks Payable To**Portrait of a Warrior Gallery Kern County**

Memo: "Portrait of a Warrior Gala"

1

Mail a Check

Send your check and commitment form to our mailing address. Please allow time for delivery before the event.

Mailing Address

Portrait of a Warrior Gallery
6077 Coffee Rd #4-901
Bakersfield, CA 93308

2

Drop Off in Person

Bring your check to the Gallery during open hours. It's a great chance to see the portraits and exhibits you're supporting.

Gallery

1925 Eye St.
Bakersfield, CA 93301
Tue–Thu & Sat, 11 AM – 3 PM

3

Request a Check Pickup

Prefer we come to you? Call us and a Gallery representative will schedule a convenient time to pick up your check and form.

Call to Schedule**(661) 479-5095**

Share your name, business, address, and best time.

Prefer to Give Online?

Donate at kern-warrior.org or buy tickets on Eventbrite.

Tax-Deductible Giving**Tax ID/EIN 83-2192550.****Receipts are provided for every gift.**

Sponsor Commitment Form

Complete and return with your check by mail, drop-off, or pickup.

Select Your Level

☐ **Team 27 Presenting** · \$27,000

☐ **Hall of Honor** · \$15,000

☐ **VIP Table** · \$5,000

☐ **Table** · \$2,700

☐ Individual · \$150 ×

☐ Couple · \$270 ×

☐ Donation · \$

☐ Donate unused seats to veterans

Sponsor Information

Name as It Should Appear in Recognition

Contact Name

Business / Organization

Address, City, State, ZIP

Phone

Email

Payment Method

☐ Check by mail

☐ Check drop-off

☐ Check pickup requested

Check #

Amount

Preferred Pickup Date

Signature

Date

Mail

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