

## FREEDOM BIRD: AIRLINES AND THE VIETNAM EXPERIENCE

Scheduled for November 2018 – May 2019  
San Francisco International Airport

SFO Museum is conducting research for an exhibition on the experiences of the air crews that flew the airline charter service into Southeast Asia during the Vietnam conflict. This exhibition will focus on the compelling human dimension experienced by crew members involved in flying thousands of young service men into and out of the war zone. We are reaching out to the airline retiree community hoping to gather stories and borrow objects and images that will bring this chapter of aviation history to life.

The types of objects and materials we are seeking for loan include:

- First person accounts and personal experiences
- Letters and correspondence
- Journals and log books
- Photographs
- News clippings and media publications
- Airline publications and communiques
- Transit documents, tickets, luggage labels, etc.
- Souvenirs
- Other materials with special connections to the subject



**Saigon 1960s**  
Courtesy of the Pan Am Historical Foundation



**Discharge countdown card 1970**  
Courtesy of Jeffrey Rudolph

As part of the Airport Commission, City and County of San Francisco, SFO Museum has produced public exhibition programs since 1980. We are accredited by the American Alliance of Museums and staffed by museum professionals. Please visit [sfomuseum.org](http://sfomuseum.org) for additional information.

Our Registration Department coordinates all Loan Agreements documents, incoming receipts, and outgoing return receipts, and oversees fine arts care and handling. The Airport will assume all shipping and insurance costs.

If you have personal collections or stories you would be willing to make available for the exhibition, please contact:



**Flight attendant's Vietnam souvenir beret 1960s**  
SFO Museum Collection  
Gift of Ann Ogle and Pamela B. Taylor  
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**Pan Am Boeing 727 under guard 1967**  
Courtesy of the Pan Am Historical Foundation