

Exhibit Schedule

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Amazing Athletes

(February 12 - July 24, 2022)



See posters, photos, and video footage that celebrates the

incredible legacy of Czech and Slovak athletes like Alpine skier Petra Vlhová, tennis greats Ivan Lendl and Martina Navrátilová, hockey star Dominik Hašek, gymnast Věra Čáslavská, and runner Emil Zátopek.

Gridiron Champs: George Halas & the Chicago Bears

(March 19 - November 6, 2022)

This exhibit features the life and work of George Halas, a first generation Czech-American whose parents immigrated from Bohemia. Born and raised in Chicago, George Halas played a significant role in the formation of the National Football League,



Photo courtesy of the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

and spent time as both a player and coach with the Bears. Featured in *Gridiron Champs* are artifacts and photos are from the NFL Hall of Fame and the Chicago Bears.

Czech Innovation Expo

(April 9 - June 26, 2022)

In *Czech Innovation Expo (CIE)* visitors will enter a seemingly empty space with abstract symbols on the walls that can be explored with a smart device. The interactive exhibition uses cutting-edge technology and brings back the centuries-old history of the Czech Republic in science, research, and innovation while revealing the technological trends of the future. Additional funding comes from Iowa Arts Council/Department of Cultural Affairs.



Righting a Wrong: Japanese Americans and World War II

(July 23 - October 2, 2022)

Righting a Wrong: Japanese Americans and World War II, a traveling exhibition from the Smithsonian, examines the complicated history and impact of Executive Order 9066 that led to the incarceration of 75,000 Americans of Japanese ancestry and 45,000 Japanese nationals following the attack on Pearl Harbor. Young and old lived crowded together in hastily built camps, endured poor living conditions, and were under the constant watch of military guards for two and a half years. Meanwhile, brave Japanese American men risked their lives fighting for the United States. Some 40 years later, members of the Japanese American community led the nation to confront the wrong it had done—and urged Congress to make it right.

