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News Release

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2026 Army Aviation Warfighting Summit Set for Nashville

(MONROE, Conn., April 15, 2026) – The 2026 Army Aviation Warfighting Summit, sponsored by the Army Aviation Association of America (AAAA), will be held April 15–17, 2026, at the Gaylord Opryland Hotel and Convention Center in Nashville, Tennessee. This year’s theme is:

“Agile, Adaptive, Lethal: Army Aviation in Continuous Transformation.”

This AAAA-sponsored three-day event brings together the entire Army Aviation community to collaborate, network, and deliver solutions for the Warfighter.

Attendees will experience:

- Senior leader presentations and Soldier award recognitions
- Working group sessions on critical aviation topics
- One-on-one engagements with Program Managers
- A two-hour Industry Coordination Session with PEO Aviation
- Over 350,000 square feet of exhibits and aircraft displays

SUMMIT SCHEDULE HIGHLIGHTS

Wednesday, April 15, 2026

- **0900–1200:** Opening Ceremony & Professional Session – *“Transformation in Contact”*
Featuring keynote remarks by the Chief of Staff of the Army and senior Army Aviation leadership
- **1200–1630:** Industry/Army Coordination Workshop – *“Government/Industry Transformation”*
- **1300–1530:** Professional Session – Exhibit Hall
Topics include Army Aviation perspectives, ARSOAC updates, and UAS advancements
- **1100–1730:** Exhibit Hall & Networking Café Open
- **1600–1730:** Opening Networking Reception

- **1730–1830:** International Defense Networking Reception
 - **1800–2300:** Industry Receptions hosted by major defense organizations
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Thursday, April 16, 2026

- **0930–1200:** Professional Session – *“Deliberate Transformation”*
Featuring senior Army leadership including the Under Secretary of the Army
 - **1000–1500:** Your Next Mission® Hiring Event
 - **1230–1645:** Soldier Professional Development Workshops
 - **0800–1630:** Exhibit Hall, Meeting Rooms, and Networking Café Open
 - **1830–2200: Army Aviation Hall of Fame Induction Banquet**
Formal black-tie event honoring Army Aviation legends
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Friday, April 17, 2026

- **0930–1200:** Professional Session III – *“Soldier Support and Branch Requirements from Industry”*
 - **1200–1600:** Open Mic Panel Sessions
Topics include AI in Army Aviation, UAS integration, and sustainment
 - **1700–1830:** Veteran and Golden Eagles Receptions
 - **1800–2200: Soldier Appreciation Dinner & Concert**
Featuring country music artist Dylan Scott
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FEATURED SPEAKERS

The Summit will host senior leaders from across the U.S. Army, allied nations, and industry, including:

- The Honorable Michael Obadal, Under Secretary of the Army
 - The Honorable Brent Ingraham, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics and Technology
 - LTG Dave Francis
 - LTG Mac McCurry
 - LTG Allan Pepin
 - LTG Hank Taylor
 - Major General Clair Gill
 - Major General Lori Robinson
 - Brigadier General David Phillips
 - Chief Warrant Officer Five Michael Corsaro
 - Command Sergeant Major Kirk Coley
 - Numerous senior international and industry leaders
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ADDITIONAL EVENTS & PROGRAMS

- **International Defense Networking Reception (Invitation Only)**
- **Soldier Café** (Sponsored by Team Chinook)

- **Your Next Mission® Hiring Event** supporting transitioning service members
 - **AAAA National Awards Presentation**
 - **Mobile App Access** for real-time Summit updates – Download AAAA Events to access the Summit App sponsored by Honeywell.
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ABOUT AAAA

The Army Aviation Association of America (AAAA) is the only not-for-profit organization dedicated to representing the broad interests of Army Aviation. With 82 chapters worldwide and over 20,000 members, AAAA supports Army Aviation Soldiers and their families.
