

# EXPERIENCE YOUR NATIONAL PARK

## Asan Bay Overlook Plaque

Asan Bay Overlook is part of the War in the Pacific National Historical Park. It is very special because it is a memorial to those that lost their lives or suffered during World War II on Guam. Quietly walk around Asan Bay Overlook and find the picture below on a wall. Look at it carefully and answer the following questions:

1. You are looking at a plaque, or a tablet that has been placed on a wall to help remind us of an important event. It is made out of a metal called bronze. What color is it?

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2. Touch the plaque. How does it feel against your skin?

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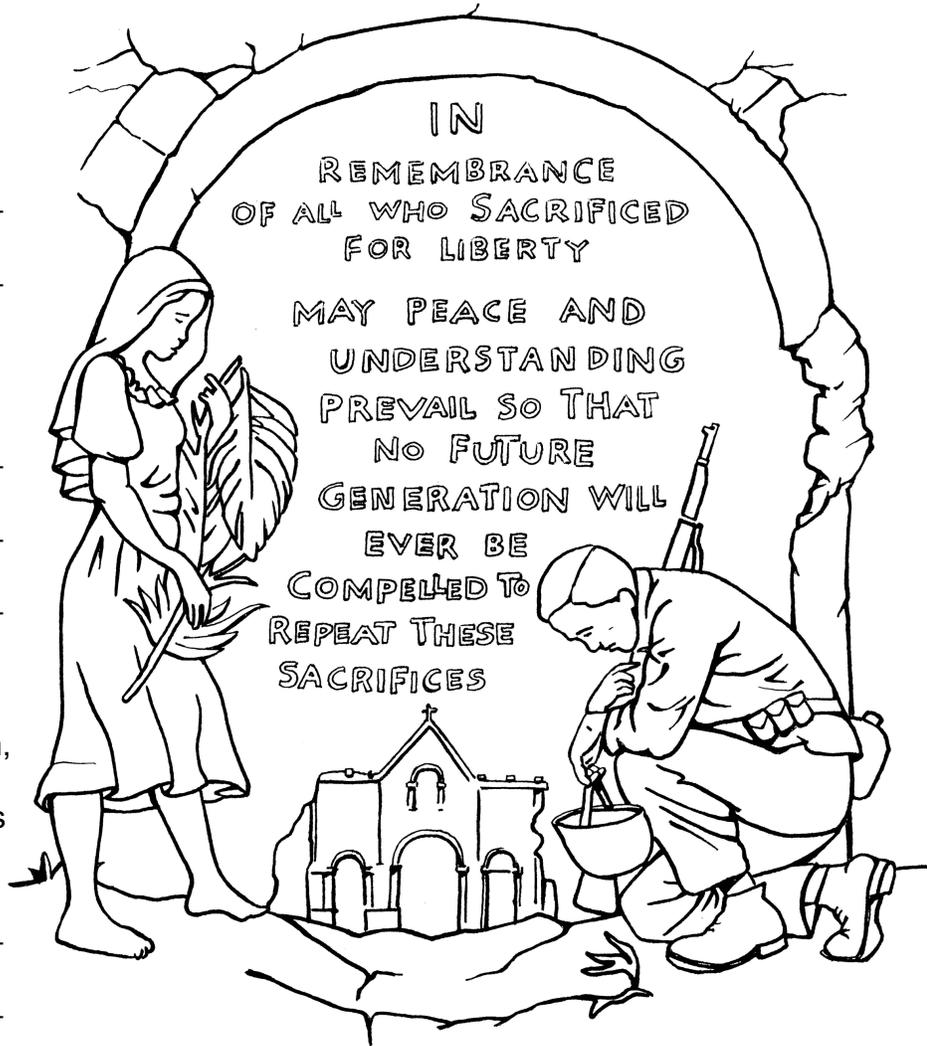
3. The artist who created this plaque was a man named Eugene Daub and his father was a soldier in World War II. To honor him, he sculpted soldiers on the plaques he made, such as the one on the right. What is the soldier doing and why?

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4. Mr. Daub sculpted a Chamorro woman standing on the left. Why do you think the palm frond is broken?

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### Asan Bay Overlook Plaque Answer Sheet

Quietly walk around Asan Bay Overlook and find the picture below on a wall. Look at it carefully and answer the following questions:

1. It is usually a shiny brown color. If the plaque has not been cleaned for a long time, it may appear to be green and gray in color.

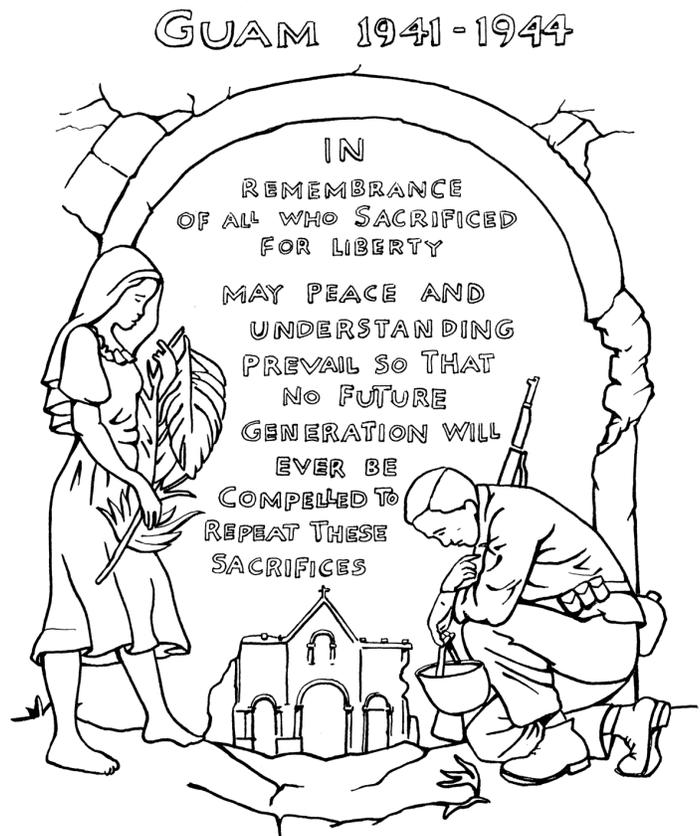
*Teachers Side Note: The best way park rangers clean this bronze (copper alloy) plaque is with a combination of distilled water, mineral spirits, acetone, and white vinegar. Afterwards, the plaque can be waxed to give it a shiny finish.*

2. Because the plaque is a type of art technique called a relief, the surface is flat but the images and words are raised above the background plane.

3. The soldier on the right is kneeling. Possible answers why he is kneeling: he is remembering the loss of lives; he looks sad because the war harmed many; he is paying respects to those affected by war, etc.

*Teachers Side Note: The church in the bottom center of the plaque is a representation of a church that was located in the pre-war village of Sumay, which was destroyed during the war.*

4. Possible answers why the palm fronds are broken: It represents the damage created by the war on the people, plants, homes of Guam; Represents the destructiveness of war on Guam, etc.



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