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The story of the Ghost Army (Watch trailer 2 minutes)

The Art of War - The Ghost Army (*Click here for Full documentary 45 minutes*)

Art, deception, and war come together during World War II in the astonishing true story of The Ghost Army, a United States Army tactical deception unit that was set up in 1944 and

operated until 1945 in the fight against German troops in various parts of Europe.

Officially known as the 23rd Headquarters Special Troops, the 1100-man unit was given a unique mission within the Allied Army: to deceive the enemy by impersonating other Allied Army units. They designed and crafted rubber tanks, trucks and guns, plywood planes, sound effects and other carefully crafted illusions.

Leading the Ghost Army was Col. Harry L. Reeder, supervising 82 army officers and 1,023 recruits; among them were **art students** from the Industrial Camouflage Program at the **Pratt Institute in New York, fashion designer Bill Blass, photographer Art Kane and painter Ellsworth Kelly.**

You can watch a full documentary about The Ghost Army on Amazon Prime. Click on the photo above to see the official trailer to this fascinating documentary.

If you enjoy history, strange true stories or art, then you will love learning more about the contributions of The Ghost Army. .

Drawings and paintings from the Ghost Army artist





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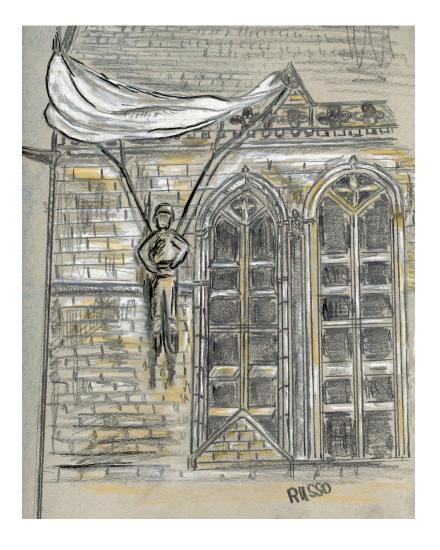


Drawings of the Ghost Army artist

(Click on the photos above to learn more about the Ghost Army)

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The drawing above is a drawing I did about World War II. Although, this was not part of the Ghost Army story, it was a place I visited in Normandy and I will never forget. This Paratrooper was a United States soldier that got stuck on a church tower in a small town in France called Sainte-Mere-Enlise. Sainte-Mere-Eglise was the first town of Cotentin in Normandy liberated by American paratroopers. Above is my charcoal sketch of that towns church which became part of the movie the Longest Day.



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