

# **Join us to support the Iraq Veterans Against the War**

This spring, the largest gathering of veterans who served in Iraq and Afghanistan will share their experiences in a public investigation called Winter Soldier: Iraq and Afghanistan. "They will be providing testimonies to atrocities the United States perpetuates with the ongoing wars and occupations, as well as the increasingly poor treatment of returning veterans by US government agencies here at home."

They will gather in Washington to break the silence and hold the Congress and the administration accountable for the Iraq and Afghanistan wars. The testimony will go from March 13<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup>, 2008, because this is a story that every American needs to hear!

In conjunction with this event,

**On Friday, March 14, 2008 – 7:00 pm**

**All Saints church**

**43-12 46 Street, Sunnyside**

**Take #7 train (Local) to 46 St stop. Walk North on 46<sup>th</sup> Street(side with TMobile store)for 1/2 block, the church will be on your left.**

We will show the film

***Winter Soldier***

In February 1971, one month after the revelations of the My Lai massacre, an astonishing public inquiry into war crimes committed by American forces in Vietnam was held at a motel in Detroit. The Vietnam Veterans Against the War organized this event called the Winter Soldier Investigation. More than 125 veterans spoke of atrocities they had witnessed and committed.

Though the event was attended by press and television news crews, almost nothing was reported to the American public. Yet, this unprecedented forum marked a turning point in the anti-war movement. It was a pivotal moment in the lives of young vets from around the country who participated, including the young John Kerry. The Winter Soldier Investigation changed him and his comrades forever. Their courage in testifying, their desire to prevent further atrocities and to regain their own humanity, provide a dramatic intensity that makes seeing Winter Soldier an unforgettable experience.

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