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USS Carter Hall Departs for UNITAS LX 60



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Virginia Beach, Va. (NNS) -- Nearly 350 Sailors and Marines serving aboard the **USS Carter Hall (LSD 50)** will depart Joint Expeditionary Base-Little Creek, Aug. 4, for UNITAS.

The dock landing ship USS Carter Hall and embarked Marines will report to Commander, U.S. 2nd Fleet until entering the U.S. Southern Command area of responsibility. Carter Hall will then report to U.S. Commander, U.S. 4th Fleet. Carter Hall is scheduled to participate in UNITAS LX (60), hosted this year by Brazil, is an annual exercise comprised of both Atlantic and Amphibious phases.

UNITAS, which is Latin for "unity," was conceived in 1959, first executed in 1960 and has been held every year since. This year marks the 60th iteration of the world's longest-running annual multinational maritime exercise. UNITAS develops and sustains relationships that improve the capacity of our emerging and enduring partners' maritime forces to achieve common goals. This annual exercise fosters friendly, mutual cooperation and understanding between participating navies and Marine Corps.



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Webmaster's Note: **USS Carter Hall (LSD-50)** is a *Harpers Ferry*-class dock landing ship of the United States Navy. She is the second U.S. Navy ship to be named for Carter Hall, an estate near Winchester, Virginia, built in the 1790's. **Carter Hall** was the Millwood, Virginia, USA estate of Lt. Col. Nathaniel Burwell (1750–1814). It is located in the upper Shenandoah Valley, off Virginia Route 255 northeast of Millwood. The estate includes a grand plantation house, a great lawn, and terraced gardens, and has panoramic views in all directions. It is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. It served as headquarters for Stonewall Jackson during part of the American Civil War, and was raided and sacked by Union troops during the war.

