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Thanks to the work of countless people from all walks of life over 250 years, Washington's tent was preserved so that we can appreciate it today. What the tent means, and who owns that story, have changed over time. Now, you get to decide what it means to you.

We thought this exhibition would give us a chance to finally unpack some of the stories that we had to leave out of the amazing film upstairs. And it did. But it also left us with still more questions and unexplored avenues for future research! You can learn more about these projects here at the Museum and online, where we have engaging interactives like the Virtual Tour of Washington's Wartime Headquarters, resources for teachers and students, and so much more.

From the very beginning, Washington's tent has been a symbol of many things. It took the interventions of many people to ensure that this object still exists, after almost 250 years, so that we can think about this symbolism and all these stories today. Here at the Museum, the tent survives, a symbol of the fragility and durability of the American republic, a country where everyday people have the power to determine the nature of their government and to change the world.