

**VICTORIA CROSS**  
**HERALDRY**  
**VALOUR ALCOVE**



**Teacher's Notes**

Name of Object: *Victoria Cross Medals*

Category: *Medals/ Heraldry/ Bravery, Valour*

Physical Location: *Valour Alcove, National Army Museum*

Accession Number

**Possible Activities**

- Design a medal to be awarded to students at school for outstanding contributions to the school, (behaviour, willingness to help organise sports days, keeping kids safe on the way to and from school etc). The colour/s of the ribbon should represent something e.g. the school colours, the bush surrounding the playground, the snow you can see from the netball courts or whatever. Explain your design, and also set out the rules and requirements for anyone who may be awarded your medal. Hint: medals are usually round, a star (with 4 or 6 or 8 points) or a cross.

**Links**

- [www.armymuseum.co.nz](http://www.armymuseum.co.nz)
- [www.nzarmy.co.nz](http://www.nzarmy.co.nz) culture and history toolbar, then NZ Army History, dropdown to decorations,
- for information, photos of medals/decorations as awarded to the NZDF.
- "With Honour –our army, our nation, our history" by Richard Wolfe ISBN 978-0-67-004565-5

**Physical Location**

The museum's Victoria Cross collection is installed in the Medal Repository section of the downstairs display floor. The collection is installed in new vandal/ burglar proof display cases built after the 2007 robbery, and subsequent recovery, of medals from the museum.