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SAGA OF THE SUN SETTERS©

**38TH BOMB GROUP, 5TH AIR FORCE
LIMITED EDITION ART PRINTS**

Published in cooperation with the 38th Bomb Group Association, this set of four limited edition squadron prints vividly and accurately captures some of the most outstanding and dramatic moments of combat flying in the Southwest Pacific during World War II. Painted by well-known aviation artist, Steve Ferguson, and researched by Pacific air war historian, Lawrence J. Hickey, these prints depict the 38th Bomb Group's service with the low-level B-25 strafing attack aircraft on key missions against Japanese airfields, shipping and industrial targets.

The prints illustrate the famous raids on Dagua Airdrome (Wewak) on August 18, 1943; the daring attack by the 5th Air Force on the Japanese bastion at Rabaul on November 2, 1943; the vicious ordeal over the Japanese reinforcement convoy at Ormoc Bay, Leyte, on November 10, 1944; and finally the devastation attacks on the Japanese fuel alcohol industry on Formosa, represented by the raid on Tairin on May 29, 1945.

Each painting was chosen to represent one of the most important or outstanding missions by each of the squadrons of the 38th Bomb Group: 71st "Wolf Pack," 405th "Green Dragons," 822nd "Black Panthers," and the 823rd the "Terrible Tiger" Squadrons. The prints were originally issued in commemoration of the 50th Anniversary of World War II, and are now made available again in conjunction with the soon to be released 38th Bomb Group history, *Saga of the Sun Setters* by Lawrence J. Hickey and Mark M. Janko.

All images are printed on top quality heavy art stock and are signed and numbered by the artist in a limited edition of 450 prints plus 50 artist proofs. Ten veterans from each squadron, chosen for their service with the unit during World War II, also individually signed each print. This includes a squadron commander and members from each crew position on the B-25 strafing, as well as a ground officer and enlisted man. The squadron insignia appears in full color on the lower margin along with the 5th Air Force insignia and a gold foil commemorative logo for the 50th Anniversary of the Air War in World War II. A certificate of authenticity accompanies each print, documenting the history of the mission and its importance in the Pacific air war. Biographical information and a short service history are also provided on each signer of the print.

IMAGE SIZE 17" x 22", OVERALL PRINT SIZE 22" X 25"

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Each print is \$75.00 plus \$14.00 shipping and handling. The full set of all four prints is \$250.00 plus \$25.00 shipping and handling. Prints ship in mailer tubes. To order call (303) 499-0530 M-F 9:00 am to 5:00 pm MST or visit our website at <http://airwar-worldwar2.com/products/art>