

KIOSK

The Tour

Female narrator:

There was blood on the grass here, where you stand. Over 15-hundred soldiers were killed or wounded near this spot. They fell during a Civil War battle that took place in a thunderstorm that echoed the violence around them.

Male narrator:

This is Ox Hill. On behalf of the Fairfax County Park Authority, welcome to the site of the only Civil War battle that took place in Fairfax County.

If you were standing where the kiosk now stands on the afternoon of September 1, 1862, you would have physically felt the thunder of cannon, smelled the rising smoke, and heard the wails of the wounded.

Female narrator:

The kiosk presents an introduction to the battle and its significance. You'll get some insight into the generals who

were on the field that day, some of the men who were wounded on this land and how their injuries were treated.

Male narrator:

The Battle of Ox Hill is the Confederate name for what the Union Army called the Battle of Chantilly. It took place at a critical time in the Civil War, between two of the war's most famous and memorialized battles – two days after Second Manassas and 16 days before Antietam.

Although the battle was waged across about 500 acres, the heaviest combat took place on the land you see around you.