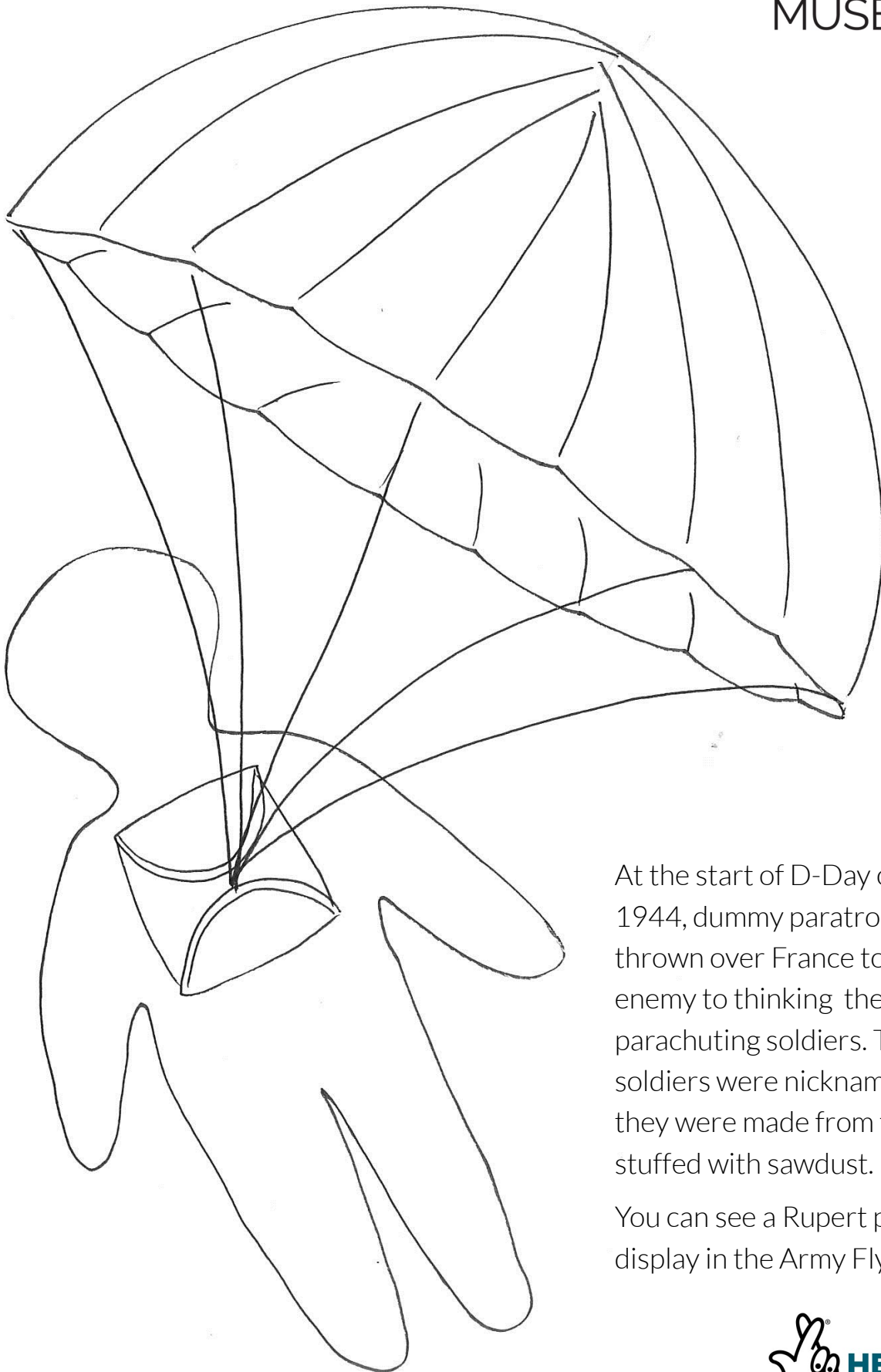


Rupert Paratrooper



At the start of D-Day on 6th June 1944, dummy paratroopers were thrown over France to confuse the enemy to thinking they were real parachuting soldiers. These pretend soldiers were nicknamed Rupert's, they were made from fabric and stuffed with sawdust.

You can see a Rupert paratrooper on display in the Army Flying Museum.

