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WELCOME TO THE
#1 ATTRACTION
IN NEW ORLEANS

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RESTROOM INCLUDES ADULT CHANGING TABLE

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**JOHN E. KUSHNER
RESTORATION PAVILION**

HIGGINS
HOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTER

PARKING GARAGE
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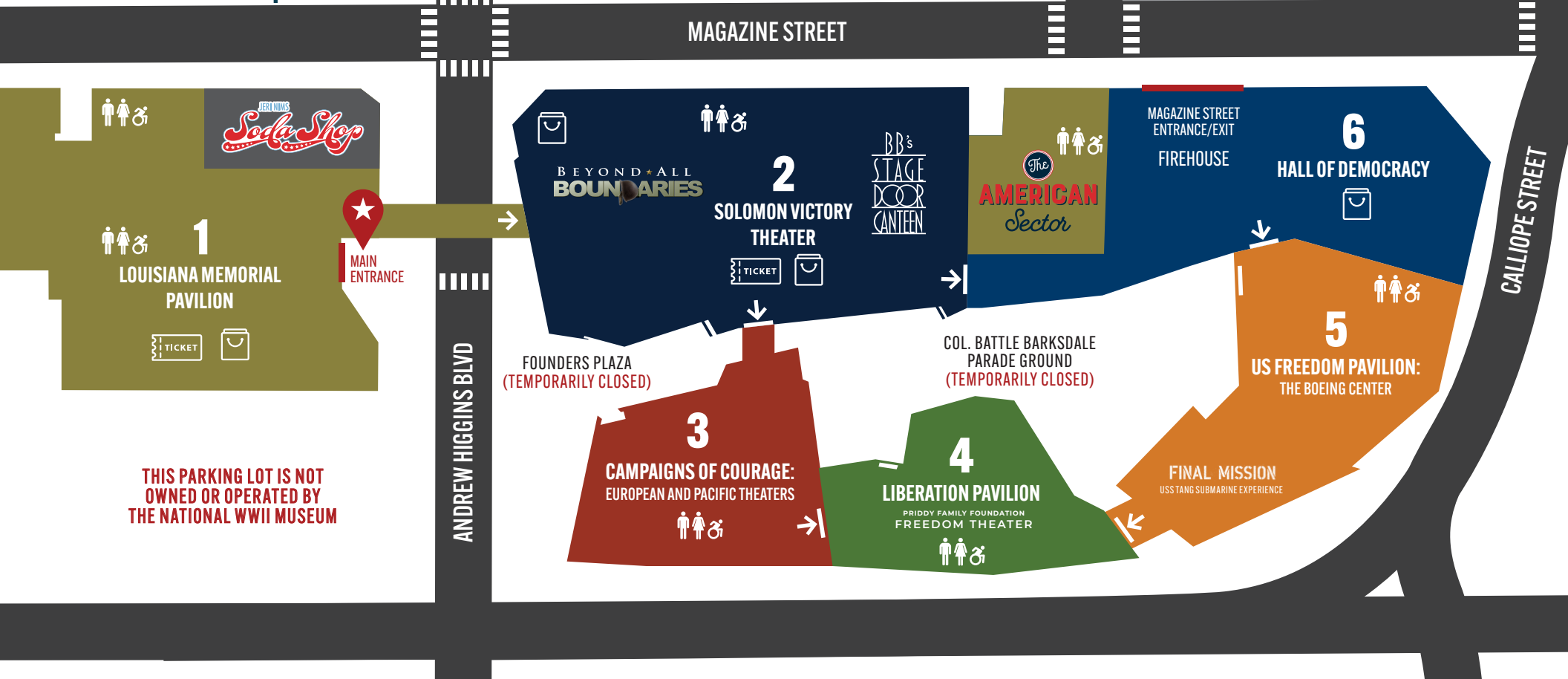
MAP KEY:

- TICKET DESK

- MUSEUM STORE

- RESTROOMS

- NURSING ROOM/QUIET AREA
available in Kushner Restoration Pavilion



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WELCOME TO THE NATIONAL WWII MUSEUM!



Scan the QR code for Museum itineraries

- **TWO-HOUR** (for those short on time)
- **FULL-DAY**
- **FAMILY** (activities for kids included)



Horatio Alger Association American Spirit Bridge

BUILDING NO. 1

LOUISIANA MEMORIAL PAVILION

DON'T MISS:

LEVEL 1

- Train Car Experience
- Bayou to Battlefield featuring LCVP Higgins Boat
- Rare and Iconic Artifacts Gallery

LEVEL 2

- The Arsenal of Democracy
- Special Exhibit Gallery
- American Spirit Bridge (Access to Buildings 2 & 3)

LEVEL 3

- The D-Day Invasion of Normandy (Temporarily closed for renovations; reopening in 2027)



DOG TAG EXPERIENCE

Look for these interactive stations throughout the Museum. Each one is a chance to dig deeper into the history of a specific point in the war.

STEP 1

PICK UP YOUR DOG TAG

Each visitor receives one—it's free with the cost of admission.

STEP 2

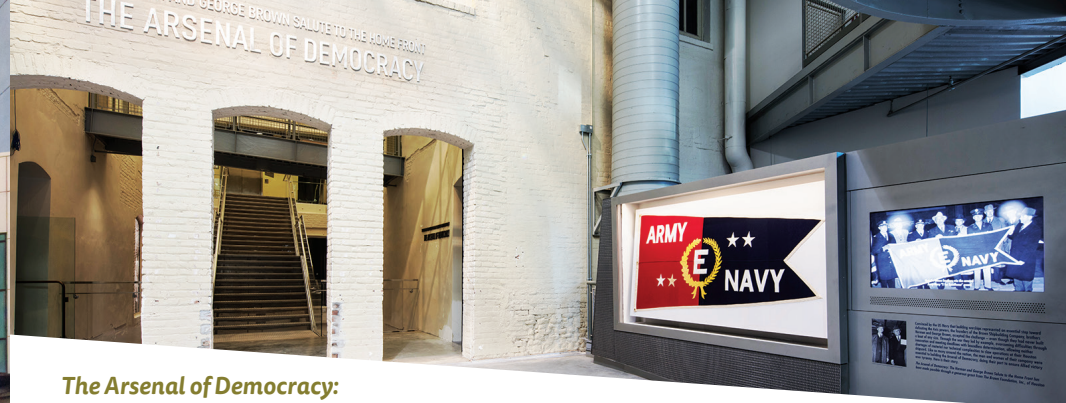
REGISTER

Have a real-life story assigned to you at the registration kiosks on the first or second floor of Louisiana Memorial Pavilion.

STEP 3

EXPERIENCE

Check in at Dog Tag Stations throughout the galleries to get more information on the person whose real story you will follow.



The Arsenal of Democracy: The Herman and George R. Brown Salute to the Home Front LEVEL 2

The Arsenal of Democracy exhibit tells the story of America's road to war, why World War II was fought, and the important efforts on the Home Front. Through nine immersive galleries, visitors experience this chapter of history through personal narratives, evocative artifacts, and immersive environments that highlight WWII-era American life.



Malcolm S. Forbes Rare and Iconic Artifacts Gallery LEVEL 1

This gallery includes more than 50 artifacts that give fascinating insight into different perspectives of the war effort. It is also home to *Voices from the Front*, a new interactive experience that allows guests to hold conversations with more than a dozen members of the WWII generation.



The Joe W. and Dorothy D. Brown Foundation Special Exhibit Gallery LEVEL 2

The Joe W. and Dorothy D. Brown Foundation Special Exhibit Gallery features rotating exhibits that draw on the Museum's own collections, as well as relevant traveling exhibitions from leading institutions around the world.



The D-Day Invasion of Normandy TEMPORARILY CLOSED

As part of the Museum's commitment to reinvesting in our campus and enhancing the visitor experience, we're transforming our flagship exhibit to bring the stories of June 6, 1944, to life in more engaging and impactful ways. The renovated exhibit is scheduled to reopen in 2027.



BUILDING NO. 2

SOLOMON VICTORY THEATER

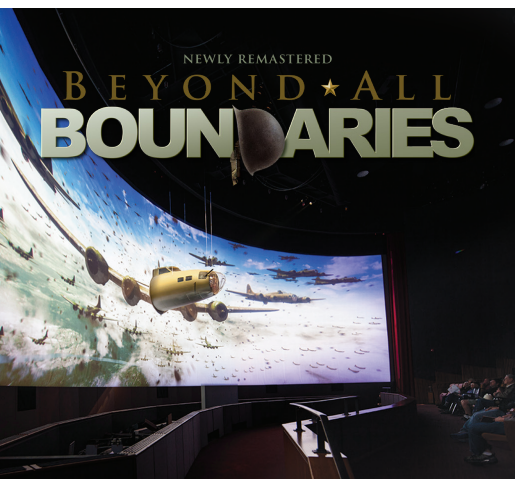
DON'T MISS:

LEVEL 1

• *Beyond All Boundaries*

LEVEL 2

• Merchant Marine Gallery



Beyond All Boundaries LEVEL 1

Showing exclusively in Solomon Victory Theater, *Beyond All Boundaries* plunges viewers into a 48-minute immersive journey from Pearl Harbor to V-J Day, using cutting-edge special effects to bring America's WWII story to life. A Museum-produced experience, *Beyond All Boundaries* is narrated by executive producer Tom Hanks with Phil Hettema serving as show producer and creative director. The production was remastered in 2025 with original partner THG Creative.

DAILY SCREENINGS:

10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Add-on ticket required.



Ralph E. Crump, LTJG, USNR, US Merchant Marine Gallery LEVEL 2

Situated at the end of the Horatio Alger Association American Spirit Bridge on the second level of the Solomon Victory Theater pavilion, this gallery honors the merchant mariners who risked their lives transporting weapons, men, and matériel to US troops overseas.

Dine with us

6 different restaurants on campus to enjoy!



THE AMERICAN SECTOR RESTAURANT & BAR

Sit-down spot offering a modern take on classic American fare

OPEN DAILY FOR LUNCH 11:00 A.M.

Solomon Victory Theater pavilion (Building 2)



JERI NIMS SODA SHOP

Nostalgic café for breakfast, a quick sandwich, or a sweet treat

OPEN DAILY 8:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.

Corner of Andrew Higgins Blvd. and Magazine St. (Building 1)



CAFÉ NORMANDIE

Full-service restaurant offering sophisticated French-influenced fare

MONDAY – FRIDAY

BREAKFAST: 7:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.

LUNCH: 11:30 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.

SATURDAY – SUNDAY

BRUNCH: 7:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.

FRIDAY – MONDAY

DINNER: 5:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.

The Higgins Hotel & Conference Center



KILROY'S BAR & LOUNGE

Cocktails and bar bites with a Southern twist

FRIDAY–SUNDAY 11:00 A.M. – 11:00 P.M.

MONDAY–THURSDAY 4:00 P.M. – 11:00 P.M.

The Higgins Hotel & Conference Center



ROSIE'S ON THE ROOF

Rooftop bar with stunning views of the New Orleans skyline

SUNDAY–THURSDAY 4:00 P.M. – 10:00 P.M.

FRIDAY–SATURDAY 4:00 P.M. – 11:00 P.M.

The Higgins Hotel & Conference Center



PROVISIONS

Lobby marketplace with house-made treats and grab-and-go favorites

OPEN DAILY 6:00 A.M. – 10:00 P.M.

The Higgins Hotel & Conference Center





BUILDING NO. 3

CAMPAIGNS OF COURAGE

DON'T MISS:

LEVEL 1

- Road to Berlin: European Theater Galleries and Dog Tag Experience stations

LEVEL 2

- Road to Tokyo: Pacific Theater Galleries and Dog Tag Experience stations

Richard C. Adkerson & Freeport-McMoRan Foundation

Road to Tokyo: Pacific Theater Galleries

LEVEL 2

Road to Tokyo retraces the grueling path that led from Pearl Harbor to Tokyo Bay, highlighting critical naval warfare as well as air and land campaigns. Galleries explore the bloody battle for Guadalcanal and fighting in Southeast Asia, the Himalayas, Burma, China, India, and Alaska.



The Duchossois Family Road to Berlin: European Theater Galleries

LEVEL 1

Road to Berlin brings to life the drama, sacrifices, personal stories, and strategies of America's campaign in Europe, Africa, and the Mediterranean in order to defeat the Axis powers and preserve freedom.


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BUILDING NO. 4
LIBERATION PAVILION

DON'T MISS:

LEVEL 1

- *Finding Hope in a World Destroyed*
- Frank and Paulette Stewart Interfaith Chapel

LEVEL 2

- *Forces of Freedom at Home and Abroad (1945–Present)*

LEVEL 3

- Freedom Theater



In Honor of David W. Trott
Finding Hope in a World Destroyed
LEVEL 1

The first floor honors the sacrifices of the WWII generation and explores the immense cost of the war with exhibits on the Holocaust, Anne Frank, faith in wartime, and the Monuments Men and Women.



Goldring Family Foundation and Woldenberg Foundation
Forces of Freedom at Home and Abroad (1945–Present)
LEVEL 2

The second floor explores the war's impact in the postwar period and its lasting legacies today. Exhibits examine the rebuilding efforts of a world destroyed, the war crimes trials, the emergence of the United States as a world "superpower," movements for social change and civil rights, new technological innovations, and the war's impact on foreign policy.



Priddy Family Foundation Freedom Theater
LEVEL 3

Featuring cutting-edge technology and a revolving theater, this cinematic experience explores what was at stake during World War II and the meaning of Allied victory. Powerful historical visuals take guests from scenes of wartime destruction into the postwar era of hope, justice, and prosperity.

DAILY SCREENINGS:

9:50 a.m. – 3:50 p.m.

Add-on ticket required.



Col. Battle Barksdale Parade Ground

BUILDING NO. 5

US FREEDOM PAVILION: THE BOEING CENTER

DON'T MISS:

LEVEL 1

- What Would You Do? polling station
- Vehicles of War
- Final Mission: USS Tang Submarine Experience

LEVEL 2

- Medal of Honor Wall
- Laborde Services Gallery

LEVEL 3 AND 4

- Aircraft viewing catwalks

George H. W. Bush Aviation Gallery



COMMEMORATIVE GIFTS FOR ALL OCCASIONS



VICTORY BRICKS AND PAVERS

Honor your hero with a **classic red Victory brick or Victory paver**. Located on the Museum's campus, your hero's Victory brick or paver will be appreciated by hundreds of thousands of Museum guests every year.



FLY A FLAG FOR YOUR LOVED ONE

Fly a 3' x 5' flag at The National WWII Museum in honor of your loved one, a meaningful way to pay tribute to them or recognize their service and sacrifice. ** Allow up to 4 weeks for delivery.*



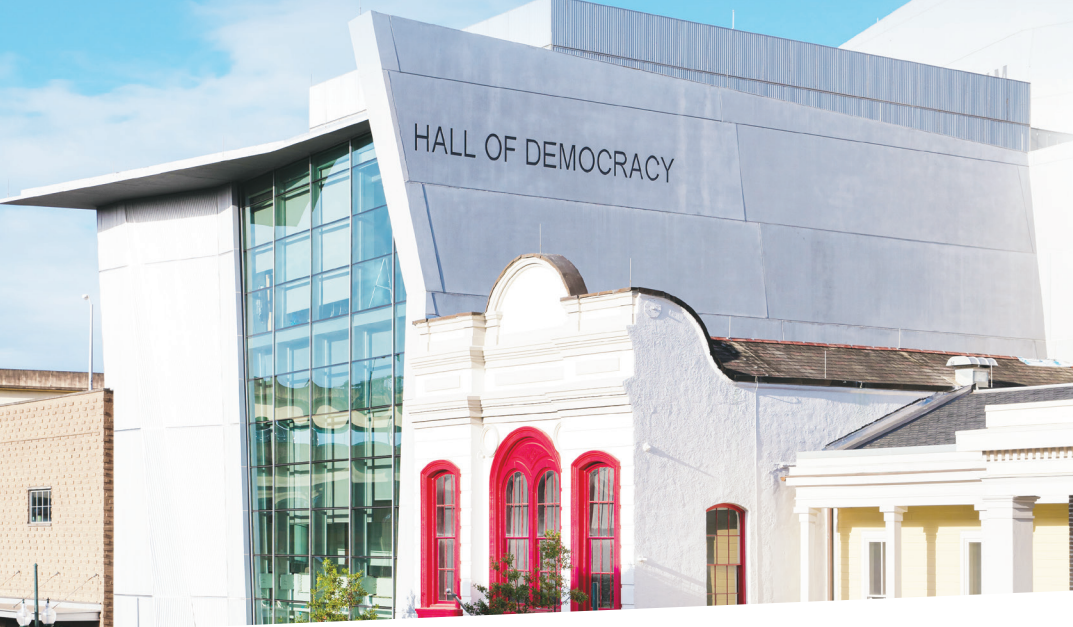
COMMEMORATE YOUR HERO WITH A PERSONALIZED BOOK

This elegant, **44-page hardcover book** immortalizes the story of America's role in World War II through powerful and awe-inspiring images from the Museum's archive. ** Allow up to 8 weeks for delivery.*

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BUILDING NO. 6

HALL OF DEMOCRACY

Hall of Democracy is the home of the Museum’s Jenny Craig Institute for the Study of War and Democracy and WWII Media and Education Center. Some of the sprawling pavilion’s features include a fully equipped media auditorium, a special exhibition hall, an education classroom, and a Museum Store. The complex serves as a hub for disseminating WWII knowledge through online access to Museum initiatives, products, distance-learning activities, and digital programs.

Note: Levels 2 and 3 are staff-only and not accessible to the public.



The Senator John Alario, Jr. Special Exhibition Hall LEVEL 1

This hall is dedicated to featuring full-scale traveling and institution-produced special exhibits, including those focused on lesser-known stories from the war.

Scan the QR code to learn more about our special exhibits.



BUILDING NO. 7

JOHN E. KUSHNER RESTORATION PAVILION

DON'T MISS:

- PT-305 Viewing Terrace
- STEM Innovation Gallery
- WWII Motor Pool

Lester and Beverly Wainer PT-305 Viewing Terrace

Get an up-close look at the Museum’s fully restored patrol torpedo boat, PT-305, and learn of her wartime crew and tours of duty.

STEM Innovation Gallery

This gallery features hands-on experiments and authentic WWII-era macro-artifacts to show how science, technology, engineering, and math contributed to—and advanced—the Allied effort during World War II.

WWII Motor Pool

The restoration and preservation of the Museum’s priceless collection of WWII macro-artifacts is performed by staff and volunteers, in full view of the public—with an observation space providing a unique peek into the maintenance of WWII-era vehicles and other artifacts.



This pavilion includes a private nursing/quiet room as well as a restroom with an adult changing table. These facilities are available to all Museum guests. Please knock before entering.



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