

PATRIOTS POINT NAVAL & MARITIME MUSEUM

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Patriots Point to Host Community to Inaugural “Yuletide on the Yorktown” Holiday Event

Event to include holiday vendors, activities for kids, and photos with Santa.

MOUNT PLEASANT, S.C. – On Sunday, December 8, the USS Yorktown’s hangar bay at Patriots Point Naval & Maritime Museum will be hung with merriment, including a Festival of Wreaths, Holiday Market, and more, all part of its inaugural Yuletide on the Yorktown holiday event. From 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., guests can browse local vendors, shop artisanal goods, and enjoy live music while immersing themselves in the history of the renowned WWII aircraft carrier. Face painting, kids’ crafts, and activities make it fun for the whole family. Santa will be aboard the ship from 1:00 to 4 p.m., and professional photo packages will be available for purchase, starting at \$40. Friends of the Fleet members are invited to enjoy a Cookies ‘N Crafts activity in Hangar Bay 1.

As a special thank you to the community for its continued support throughout the year, Patriots Point will offer \$15 admission the entire day on December 8. Tickets include access to both the museum and event. Friends of the Fleet members and children under the age of six are free. Hourly parking rates still apply.

“The Fighting Lady will be decked out for the holidays to welcome our community.” said Allison Hunt, Executive Director of Patriots Point Naval & Maritime Museum, “Please join us on the hangar bay of our historic World War II aircraft carrier for a day of festive fun with special pricing- and a very special guest!”

Twenty-four organizations across the Charleston area are participating in this year’s Festival of Wreaths and donated creatively crafted wreaths for bidding, [online](#) or in-person. The wreaths will remain on display in the Yorktown’s hangar bay, now through December 13. All proceeds directly support the USS Yorktown Foundation and Patriots Point programming.

“The Festival of Wreaths is a celebration of community, creativity, and giving back.” said Meaghan Silsby, Executive Director of the USS Yorktown Foundation, “This event not only brings people together during the holiday season but also supports our mission to preserve history and inspire future generations. Each wreath and donation reflects the incredible generosity of our community, and we are deeply grateful for the support



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that enables us to continue honoring the legacy of Patriots Point.”

Sponsors for the inaugural Yuletide on the Yorktown include Lowe’s of Mount Pleasant, Charleston County Park’s Holiday Festival of Lights, and the USS Yorktown Foundation.

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About Patriots Point Naval & Maritime Museum

Patriots Point Naval & Maritime Museum, on the Charleston Harbor, is the #1 attraction in Mount Pleasant, S.C., and is home to a fleet of National Historic Landmark ships, and the only Vietnam Support Base Camp in the U.S. Patriots Point is also headquarters to the Congressional Medal of Honor Society and the agency’s official Medal of Honor Museum. Visit www.patriotspoint.org for more details or find us on [LinkedIn](#), [Instagram](#), and [Facebook](#).

About the USS Yorktown Foundation

The USS Yorktown Foundation, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, serves as the designated fundraising organization for Patriots Point Naval and Maritime Museum. The Foundation funds educational scholarships, preserves military history, and supports informative exhibits throughout the museum. Through these efforts, the Foundation aims to promote America’s traditions of service, leadership, duty, and sacrifice to inspire future generations.

