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Patriots Point Names New Public Information Officer

Samantha Elkin joins Patriots Point Naval & Maritime Museum's team.

MOUNT PLEASANT, S.C. – The Patriots Point Development Authority (PPDA) hired Samantha Elkin as its new Public Information Director.

A Pittsburgh native, Sam graduated from Indiana Wesleyan University, commissioned as an Army officer through the ROTC program, and dual-majored in Marketing and Business Administration. She has since worked with several state and federal agencies, including the FDA, the U.S. Marines, and, most recently, the North Carolina State Board of Elections. Elkin also served 10 years in the Army National Guard as a field artillery officer.

"There are many historic sites that call Charleston home, but only at Patriots Point can you immerse yourself in the lives of WWII heroes and experience their stories aboard two of the most decorated ships in the country. I'm excited to bring my creative background and military experience together, to help share these incredible stories." said Elkin. "I look forward to developing a close relationship with the community surrounding Patriots Point—both the families that call it home, and the veterans it connects."

Elkin's primary responsibilities include social media management, community engagement, and media relations.

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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 <u>www.patriotspoint.org</u> for more details, or find us at @patriots_point on Twitter and Instagram, and Facebook at <u>www.facebook.com/PatriotsPoint.org</u>.

About the USS Yorktown Foundation

The USS Yorktown Foundation is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization dedicated to raising funds to provide scholarships for educational programs at Patriots Point Naval & Maritime Museum, as well as supporting new exhibits, symposiums and special programs. The Foundation's mission is "to cultivate a unique learning environment that connects generations by celebrating America's history and its heroes, inspiring freedom, patriotism, leadership and service." For more information, please visit <u>www.USSYorktownFoundation.org</u> or call 843.881.5925.