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Honoring the Past, Serving the Present: Patriots Point Unites **Community for Veterans Day Observance**

Celebrating Veterans Through Creativity, Community Giving, and Free Admission for Those Who Served.

MOUNT PLEASANT, S.C. – Patriots Point Naval & Maritime Museum will commemorate Veterans Day with a series of events from Saturday, November 8 through Tuesday, November 11, honoring the brave men and women who have served our nation. Activities will take place both aboard the USS Yorktown and at partner venues across the Lowcountry.

Saturday, November 8 | Art of Valor – USS Yorktown

The Patriot Art Foundation will host its annual *Art of Valor* workshop aboard the USS Yorktown. Veterans are invited to spend the day participating in watercolor instruction, live painting demonstration, and camaraderie with fellow service members. The event is free of cost, but participants must register in advance at www.patriotartfoundation.org.

Echoes of Valor: Remembering WWII Through Story and Legacy – The Citadel

Patriots Point and The Citadel’s Master of Arts in Military History program will co-host *Echoes of Valor* from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. in The Citadel’s Class of 1969 Capers Auditorium.

Highlights include:

- **Keynote address** by *Alex Kershaw*, New York Times bestselling author and renowned World War II historian
- **Panel discussion:** “*Legacy of the Greatest Generation: Personal Reflections from Descendants of WWII Heroes*” featuring George Luz Jr., Tracy and Syndee Compton, and Chris Langlois, descendants of *Band of Brothers* and other WWII veterans
- Moderated by James M. Scott, Pulitzer Prize finalist, and Dr. Kyle S. Sinisi, professor of history at The Citadel

Tuesday, November 11 | Veterans Day - Patriots Point

To honor all who have served, veterans, active-duty service members, and their immediate families will receive free admission to Patriots Point Naval & Maritime Museum on Veterans Day, Tuesday, November 11.



PATRIOTS POINT NAVAL & MARITIME MUSEUM

From 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Patriots Point will also host an on-site donation drive in partnership with Operation Homefront, a national nonprofit that provides critical support to military families.

Requested donation items include:

- Non-perishable food items (canned goods, pasta, rice, beans, etc.)
- Small children's toys

Visitors who contribute to the drive will receive a \$3 voucher towards general museum admission.

"Veterans Day reminds us that freedom is not just remembered—it's lived, protected, and carried forward by those willing to serve. We're honored to celebrate their courage and continue their legacy here at Patriots Point," said Patriots Point Executive Director Allison Hunt. "It's an opportunity for the Lowcountry to come together—not only to honor our nation's heroes, but to actively support them and their families."

Guests are encouraged to walk the decks of the historic naval vessels, explore exhibits, reflect on the legacy of American service members, and stand in support of the veteran community through remembrance, connection, and generosity.

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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.

