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**Patriots Point Development Authority and USS Yorktown Foundation  
Announce New Hires**

**MOUNT PLEASANT, S.C.** – Patriots Point Development Authority (PPDA) and its foundation, the USS Yorktown Foundation, announce the hiring of two key positions.

Patriots Point, home of the historic aircraft carrier USS Yorktown, has hired Eric Monteiro to serve as director of marketing and communications. Monteiro joins the state agency with more than 20 years of marketing experience in the travel, leisure and service sectors. He spent the last decade leading marketing efforts for Belmond Charleston Place Hotel.

“Eric brings a wealth of valuable experience to this position, and we are confident he is the right person to lead our marketing and communications team at this exciting time as we plan for the future of the agency and museum,” said Patriots Point Executive Director Allison Hunt.

“I’m proud to be joining an organization with a strong mission,” said Monteiro. “I look forward to helping Patriots Point honor our heroes and educate the community about patriotism, service and sacrifice.”

The USS Yorktown Foundation has hired Meaghan Silsby as director of development. A graduate of the College of Charleston, Silsby has spent the last several years in Washington, D.C., where she served in key roles with the City Year Washington, D.C., Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Washington, and The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

“It’s an honor to be part of an organization that helps to keep our nation’s military history alive and supports Patriots Point’s critical mission,” said Silsby. “I’m excited to work alongside an impressive and inspired Board as we develop new partnerships to support the museum and its goals.”

Visit [Patriotspoint.org](http://Patriotspoint.org) for more information about Patriots Point Naval & Maritime Museum.

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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](http://www.patriotspoint.org) for more details, or find us at @patriots\_point on Twitter and Instagram, and Facebook at [www.facebook.com/PatriotsPoint.org](http://www.facebook.com/PatriotsPoint.org).*

### **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 [www.USSYorktownFoundation.org](http://www.USSYorktownFoundation.org) or call 843.881.5925.*