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**Patriots Point To Allow Visitors to Name Their Admission Price
During Pay What You Can Weekend**

January 7 and 8, 2023

MOUNT PLEASANT, S.C. – Patriots Point Naval & Maritime Museum will allow visitors to name their admission price on January 7 and 8, during the museum’s “Pay What You Can” weekend. Instead of the normal general admission price and parking fee, guests can pay any amount they can afford.

“This budget-friendly promotion is one of the many ways we like to thank the community for its support throughout the year,” Patriots Point Executive Director Mac Burdette said. “It provides a fun and educational way for people to enjoy Patriots Point after a busy holiday season.”

The standard museum admission rate is \$27 for adults, and parking is \$5. Each general admission ticket includes the USS Yorktown, USS Laffey, the Medal of Honor Museum, and the Vietnam Experience Exhibition. Active duty military in uniform and children under six are free.

“Pay What You Can” weekend is also the last chance for visitors to view the Fragile Collections exhibition, which displays a selection of rare and fragile WWII artifacts. The exhibition opened aboard the USS Yorktown in December 2021. It features hand-selected artifacts from the museum's collection which include a boxing robe worn at matches on the USS Randolph, a parachute fragment with a message written from a Japanese POW camp, and fragments from kamikaze aircraft that struck U.S. ships in the Pacific Theater.

In April 2023, Patriots Point in conjunction with the Charleston Museum, the U.S. Army Center of Military History, and the National Museum of the Marine Corps will open “All Who Served: the Uniforms of WWII.” The opening of the new exhibition will be among events celebrating the 80th anniversary of the USS Yorktown’s commissioning and is made possible by the USS Yorktown Foundation.

Visit www.patriotspoint.org for more information about the museum and for upcoming events.

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PATRIOTS POINT NAVAL & MARITIME MUSEUM

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 at @patriots_point on Twitter and Instagram, and Facebook at 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 or call 843.881.5925.

