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LIVING HISTORY DAY AT THE BATTLESHIP MISSOURI MEMORIAL

Pearl Harbor, HI – (January 27, 2018) – History came to life today at the Battleship Missouri Memorial for Living History Day. The daylong event featured performances by the U.S. Army 25th Infantry Division Tropic Knights Band, high school jazz bands, reenactment presentations, special tours and historic exhibits.

Living History Day signifies two important anniversaries for the Mighty Mo – its launch into service on January 29, 1944, and the public opening as an historic attraction on January 29, 1999. The USS *Missouri* played an integral part in the Allied Forces success in the Pacific in World War II, which concluded with the formal surrender by Japan on the hallowed decks of the Mighty Mo.

“Living History Day is a day to look back and honor the USS *Missouri* and all the men and women who have fought for America’s freedoms,” said Michael Carr, president and CEO of the USS Missouri Memorial Association, caretaker of the Battleship Missouri Memorial.

Attendees were able to experience exhibits of military vehicles, memorabilia and wartime weaponry, oral history and re-enactment presentations from the World War II era, tour the battleship and take part in all the activities provided by various historic Hawaii organizations.

Schedule of Living History Day Activities

Iolani High School Jazz Band
Castle High School Jazz Band
Fly-over by a Historic Vintage 1946 Globe Swift Aircraft
U.S. Army 25th Infantry Division Tropic Knights Band
General Douglas MacArthur Reenactment
Captain’s Cabin Tours
Teak Deck Crew Display
Radio Room Tours
Children’s games and activities
Displays of Historic Military Vehicles and Weaponry

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Caption: View from the deck of the Battleship Missouri for Living History Day 2018.



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Caption: Performance fronting the Mighty Mo by the Celtic Pipes & Drums of Hawaii.



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Caption: Historic military vehicles on display during Living History Day at the Battleship Missouri Memorial.



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Caption: Fly-over the Mighty Mo by a Historic Vintage 1946 Globe Swift Aircraft.



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Caption: The Hawaii Historic Arms Association – one of the exhibitors participating in Living History Day, showcasing weaponry from the World War II era.

Battleship Missouri Memorial

Since opening in January 1999, the Battleship Missouri Memorial has attracted more than 7-million visitors from around the world with a fascinating tour experience showcasing the USS *Missouri's* unique place in history. Located a mere ship's length from the USS Arizona Memorial, the Mighty Mo completes a historical visitor experience that begins with the “day of infamy” and sinking of the USS *Arizona* in Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, and ends with Japan’s formal surrender aboard the USS *Missouri* in Tokyo Bay on September 2, 1945.

The USS *Missouri* had an astounding career over five decades and three wars – World War II, the Korean War, and Desert Storm – after which it was decommissioned and donated to the USS Missouri Memorial Association, Inc., a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. The Association operates the Battleship Missouri Memorial as a historic attraction and oversees her care and preservation with the support of visitors, memberships, grants, and donations.

The Battleship Missouri Memorial is open daily from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. General admission, which includes choice of an optional tour, is \$29 per adult and \$13 per child (4-12). Military, kama’aina (local resident) and school group pricing is available. For information or reservations, call (toll-free) 1-877-644-4896 or visit USSMissouri.org

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