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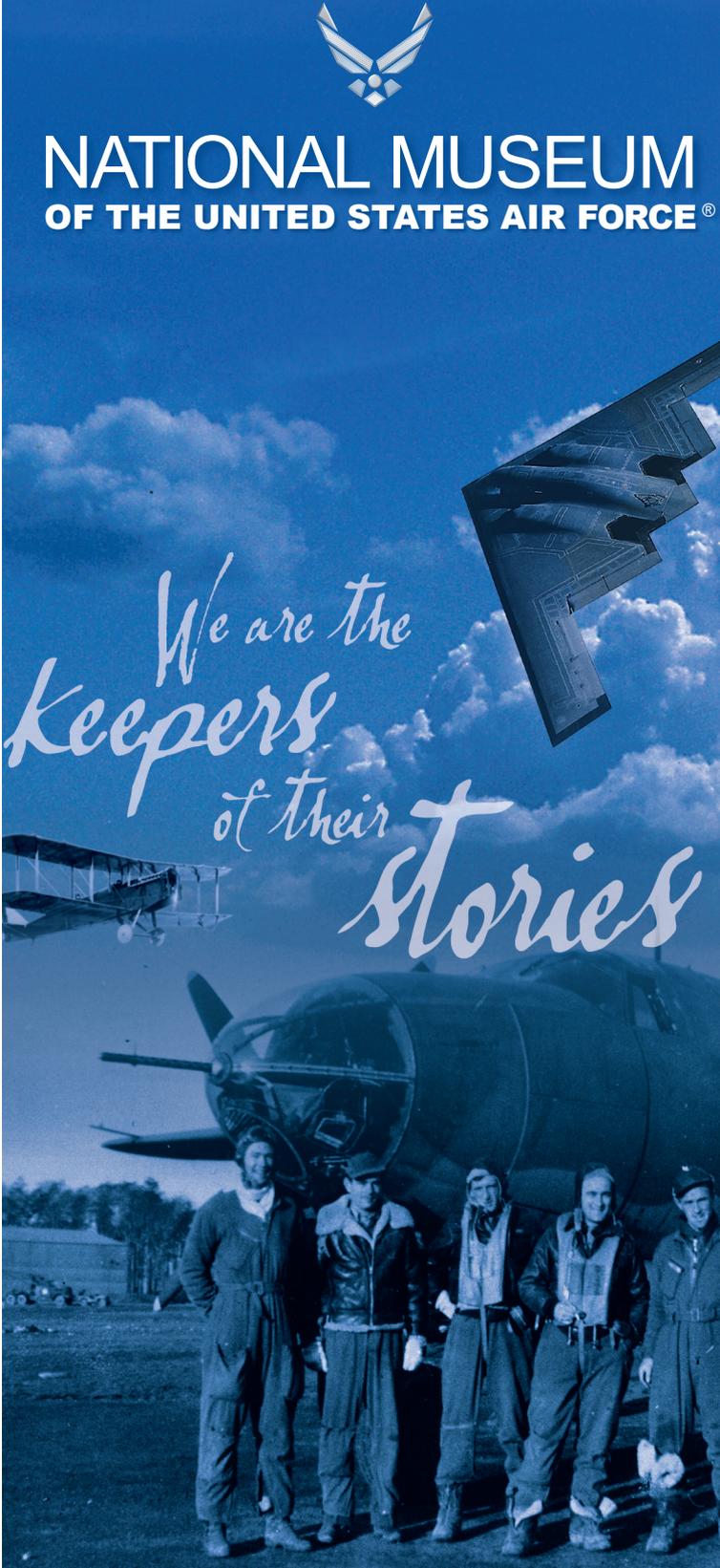
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Awe-inspiring aircraft. Visually striking exhibits. Dynamic major events. It's all part of the visitor experience at the National Museum of the United States Air Force, the world's largest and oldest military aviation museum and the official museum of the U.S. Air Force.

Located near Dayton, Ohio, the museum welcomes more than 1 million visitors each year. The museum's galleries present military aviation history, boasting more than 400 aerospace vehicles – many rare and one-of-a-kind, thousands of historical items, and powerful sensory exhibits that bring history to life and connect the Wright brothers' legacy with today's stealth and precision technology.



Medal of Honor

Early Years Gallery

The Early Years Gallery blazes a path from the earliest days of military aviation to the early 1940s. Aircraft on display include a rare SPAD XIII, Caproni CA 36 bomber and an MB-2 bomber, among many others. The gallery storyline begins with the Wright brothers and continues through the Mexican Punitive Expedition, World War I, research and development in the 1930s and the United States' preparation for World War II.

Air Power Gallery

The heroism and drama of World War II air power take center stage in the museum's Air Power Gallery, containing Army Air Forces pursuit aircraft and bombers. Visitors can view a Doolittle Raiders' exhibit surrounding a B-25B, stand next to the B-29 "Bockscar" that dropped the atomic bomb on Nagasaki and see other rare WWII era aircraft such as the B-24D, P-61C, Martin B-26G, and the B-17G "Shoo Shoo Shoo Baby." The gallery's chronology tells the Army Air Forces story, from the China-Burma-India theater to the Mediterranean, European, and Pacific theaters and back to the home front.

Modern Flight Gallery

The Modern Flight Gallery portrays the Air Force's involvement in the Korean and Vietnam Wars. Visitors can see aircraft such as an F-86A, F-105G and the hulking B-52, as well as aircraft promising to transform Air Force air power, including the world's only publicly displayed F-22A Raptor and examples of unmanned aircraft.

Cold War Gallery

The Eugene W. Kettering Cold War Gallery is located in the museum's latest exhibit space, a 200,000 square-foot hangar. The gallery explores the Air Force's vital role in defeating Soviet communism and in waging the war on terrorism. Prominent aircraft include the imposing B-36J bomber and the RB-47 as well as modern favorites such as the F-117 stealth fighter, A-10 "Warthog," F-15, an F-16 in U.S. Air Force Thunderbird colors and the first permanent public display of a B-2 stealth bomber.

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Missile and Space Gallery

Part of the museum's expansion, the Missile and Space Gallery combines with the Cold War Gallery to explore the Air Force's historical and critical contributions toward Soviet containment and to convey the Air Force's key role in America's advance into space. Featuring a viewing platform, the silo-like structure houses space launch vehicles and the museum's world-class collection of Intercontinental Ballistic Missiles.

Presidential and Research and Development/Flight Test Galleries

An especially popular museum attraction is its storied collection of nine Presidential aircraft. Visitors can walk through four of the most notable

aircraft, including Franklin D. Roosevelt's C-54C "Sacred Cow," Harry Truman's VC-118 "Independence," and Dwight D. Eisenhower's VC-121E "Columbine III." Most popular of all is "Air Force One," a VC-137C known as SAM (Special Air Mission) 26000. This Boeing 707 flew President Kennedy's body back to Washington D.C. from Dallas and served as the site of President Lyndon B. Johnson's swearing in. The aircraft served every U.S. president from Kennedy to Clinton.

The Research and Development/Flight Test Gallery houses the museum's diverse experimental aircraft collection. Highlighting this group is the only remaining North American XB-70 Valkyrie, the only Douglas X-3 "Stiletto" ever built and the Bell X-1B, a later model of the type in which Chuck Yeager broke the sound barrier.

The Presidential and Research and Development/Flight Test Galleries are located in a twin hangar facility on the old Wright Field flight line, about one mile from the main museum. Individuals may visit these galleries by registering on a first-come,

first-served basis for a shuttle bus that runs from the museum main complex to the galleries and back.

Memorial Park

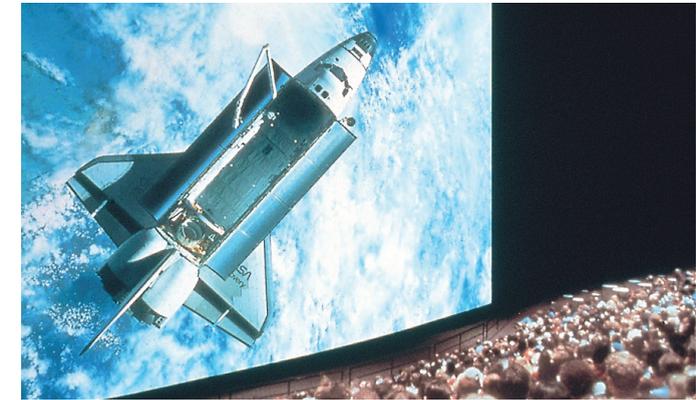
Located outside at the south end of the museum, the museum's Memorial Park honors the Air Force-associated people and units for their past service and sacrifice in the cause of freedom. The park features more than 500 dedications.

Friends of the Air Force Museum

Those who wish to support the museum and keep informed of its activities can become a "Friend of the Air Force Museum." For an annual membership fee, members receive benefits and privileges such as discounts in the bookstore and souvenir shop, quarterly journals, a museum calendar, and more. For more information, visit the Air Force Museum Foundation web site at www.afmuseum.com.

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