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Los Angeles Maritime Museum School Tour Information

Greetings!

We are excited that you are considering a visit to the Los Angeles Maritime Museum! Our museum will take you on a journey through time and the development of the Port and surrounding areas, and tours are customized to meet each grade level.

The journey will start as you step through our doors. Did you know that the Los Angeles Maritime Museum is housed in the building that was originally a Municipal Ferry Terminal? Some of the original machinery from the ferry days is displayed in the Navy Hall and on the second floor today.

View our permanent exhibit on the history of San Pedro's fishing and canning industries. Did you know San Pedro was the fishing capital of the nation for much of the 20th century? Where did Charlie the Tuna get his start? Which of our fishing nets do you think was used for tuna, sardines or mackerel?

Highlights of your tour include hardhat diving. Do you know that the foundations of the harbor were built underwater?

Stop by the Radio Room to learn about Morse code. Learn how to signal your name and talk to someone in a far off place.

We look forward to providing your students with an exciting look at maritime history.



How do I schedule a tour?

It would be our pleasure to assist you in making a reservation. **Please call our tour coordinator at (310) 548-7618 ext. 200.** Tours are available Tuesdays-Fridays 10-3. Tours are usually about 40 minutes, but the length of the tour can be adjusted to meet your scheduling needs.



How much do tours cost?

School tours are FREE!



Are reservations required?

Yes. **Reservations are required for ALL tours.** Reservations ensure that all groups have the time and space needed to enjoy the museum.



Are chaperones required?

Yes. We recommend 1 adult chaperone for every 10 students, and you are welcome to bring additional adults as well.



Do you offer self-guided tours?

No. **All school groups** must be led by one of our Museum guides.



Is there parking available?

Buses may drop off and pick up students in front of the Museum. Museum parking is located on the west side of Sampson Way, south of the Museum. Parking is free.



Are there picnic facilities near the Museum?

Yes! Please schedule some time to enjoy the marina and park next door. There are several benches, tables, and grassy areas where you may relax and watch the ships go by.



Is there a place to store our lunches?

Yes, we have containers in which to store lunches while you are enjoying the tour.

During your visit to the museum no food, drinks or gum will be permitted.

For safety reasons we ask that school groups not bring backpacks through the Museum. Backpacks can be stored along with the lunches.



What is there to see and do near the Museum?

Right across Sampson Way is John S. Gibson Park. The park is home to the American Merchant Marine Veterans Memorial, the Fishermen's Memorial, and the Harry Bridges Memorial as well as an authentic gun barrel from the *USS New Jersey* and the mast and anchors from the *USS Los Angeles*.

A short walk away is Fire Station 112 which houses the Los Angeles City Fireboat #2, *Warner L. Lawrence*. Past the Fire Station is the Waterfront Promenade, which features interactive fountains and a great view of the battleship *IOWA*.

Many schools take the opportunity to schedule a tour of the harbor from one of the harbor cruise companies operating out of nearby Ports O'Call village.

Visit the Port of Los Angeles website for information on their free student boat tours: portoflosangeles.org and click on "education".

Other attractions in the area include: *USS Iowa* (877) 446-9261
Point Fermin Lighthouse (310) 241-0684
WWII Liberty Ship Lane Victory (310) 519-9545



Tips for teachers and group leaders:

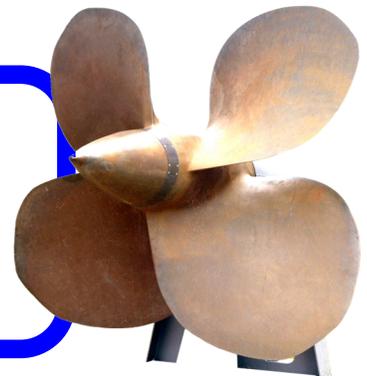
To help prepare for your visit, we invite teachers and group leaders to visit the Museum prior to their field trip. You can visit us on line at <http://www.lamaritimemuseum.org>

You may also download free educational materials at <http://seahistory.org/education/neat-stuff-kids/>



Does the Museum have a gift shop?

Yes! The Sea Chest Museum Shop offers a variety of nautical toys, books, and souvenirs at all price levels. Please let your guide know if you plan to have your class visit the shop.



We look forward to welcoming you!

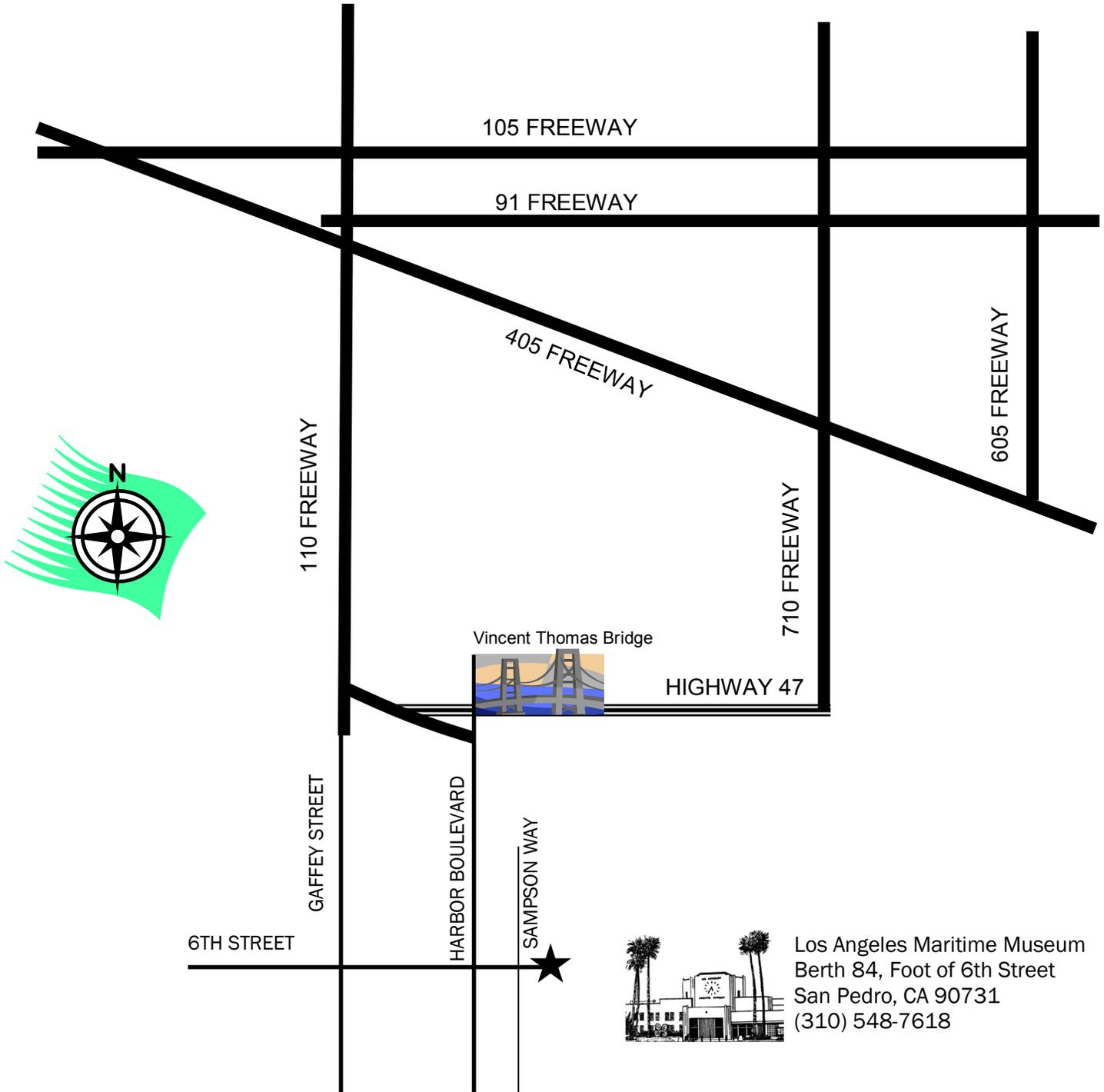


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For internet directions use the following address:
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