WWII Valor in the Pacific National Monument

Honolulu, HI



A day to remember

With over 1.5 million visitors per year, the National Park Service's USS Arizona Memorial in Pearl Harbor is Hawaii's most popular visitor attraction. Its mission is to honor the courage and sacrifice of Pearl Harbor's men and women, while interpreting the historical events that led up to the December 7, 1941 attack and the ramifications it unleashed.

The National Park Service contracted APA to redesign the Memorial's visitor center, which required a new interpretive concept for universally accessible interior and exterior exhibit spaces situated around the remains of the sunken USS Arizona battleship. APA worked with National Park Service staff and historical authorities to develop the project, from conceptual design through to detailed documentation and management of exhibit fabrication and installation. The new visitor center opened on December 7, 2010, on the 69th anniversary of the Pearl Harbor attack.

