



FACT SHEET

ABOUT THE NATIONAL ATOMIC TESTING MUSEUM:

The National Atomic Testing Museum is operated and maintained by the Nevada Test Site Historical Foundation (NTSHF), an IRS 501(c)3 charitable, non-profit organization chartered in Nevada.

THE NATIONAL ATOMIC TESTING MUSEUM MISSION:

The mission of the Nevada Test Site Historical Foundation is to preserve and foster public accessibility to the history associated with the Nevada Test Site, now known as the Nevada National Security Sites, and the nation's nuclear weapons program. The NTSHF promotes and supports cultural, educational and scientific programming to encourage the development and public exchange of views regarding the Nevada Test Site and its impact on the nation. The major program of the Nevada Test Site Historical Foundation is the National Atomic Testing Museum.

THE COLLECTION:

The National Atomic Testing Museum is a repository for one of the most comprehensive collections of nuclear history. The museum covers the period from the nation's first nuclear test, code named Trinity, to the first test at the Nevada Test Site on January 27, 1951, to the present. As part of its mission, the National Atomic Testing Museum seeks to collect and preserve a wide variety of materials and artifacts relating to atomic testing, the Nevada Test Site, the Cold War and nuclear and radiological science and technology. The current collection includes thousands of rare photographs, videos, artifacts, scientific and nuclear reports and data and one-of-a-kind scientist collections.

The museum is home to more than 3,500 artifacts across 14,000 square feet, including one of the largest collections of survey meters spanning more than 65 years; a full-size nuclear rocket reactor; the Genie air-to-air missile; and personal atomic weapons such as the Backpack Nuke and the Davy Crockett XM-388.



The collection also includes Mitchell cameras, downhole cameras and an international collection of civil defense items. The museum houses more than 16,000 official government and unofficial personal photos encapsulating more than 80 years of atomic history and 6,000 documents telling stories from the Pacific Proving Ground to the Nevada Test Site.

KEY EXHIBITS:

- **World of Fallout** – In the museum’s newest exhibit, real-world atomic history meets post-apocalyptic fantasy. Fans of *Fallout* will recognize exclusive memorabilia while discovering the mid-20th-century history that inspired the franchise’s art, entertainment and imagination.
- **Manhattan Project: Challenges and Consequences** – Visitors can get up close to a full-size replica of the world’s first atomic bomb, and learn about the scientific breakthroughs, ethical dilemmas, and global consequences that followed.
- **Atomic Odyssey** – Guests can enter the world of atoms, reactions and radiation in the museum’s first fully hands-on exhibit. This experience invites guests of all ages to explore atomic science through interactive STEAM labs blending science, art and innovation.
- **Nuclear History in Pop Culture** – The museum highlights how nuclear themes have influenced pop culture for decades, weaving references from film, television, gaming and mid-century design throughout its displays.
- **Ground Zero Theater** – This immersive exhibit simulates the experience of observing an atmospheric nuclear test at the Nevada Test Site.

Other exhibits include models of nuclear weapons, Geiger counters, radiation testing devices and equipment used in testing. Additional displays focus on important figures at the facility as well as videos and interactive exhibits about radiation. In addition, the museum houses artifacts from



Nevada pre-dating the Nevada National Security Sites such as Native American artifacts and items used for mining.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

With a strong commitment to the Las Vegas community, the museum regularly collaborates with the Clark County School District to host field trips for elementary, middle and high school students. In addition, the museum conducts off-site visits at various schools throughout the district as well as at select colleges. Visits not only include educational lessons about the history of nuclear testing but also topics related to science, technology, engineering, mathematics and more.

SMITHSONIAN AFFILIATION:

The museum is a Smithsonian Affiliate. It is one of 37 affiliated museums in the United States.

AGE REQUIREMENT:

All ages are welcome. Children under the age of 14 must be accompanied by an adult.

PHOTOS & VIDEO:

Click [here](#).

OPENING DATE:

February 19, 2005

HOURS OF OPERATION:

- Summer hours from May 22 through Sept. 6 are Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. (last admission at 5:15 p.m.) and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (last admission at 4:15 p.m.)
- Regular hours of operation are daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (last admission at 4:15 p.m.)
- The National Atomic Testing Museum is closed on New Year's Day, Easter, Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

TOURS:

Regular tours are self-guided and take approximately one to two hours. School field trip tours are also available by reservation. Nevada elementary, middle and high school field trips are offered at a discounted rate of \$6 per person; out-of-state schools, scouts and colleges are offered a



discounted rate of \$10 per person. To inquire about school field trips, click [here](#).

ADMISSION PRICE: Tickets may be purchased [here](#).

- \$29 adults
- \$24 seniors 65+ with a valid I.D.
- \$15 college students with a valid I.D.
- \$25 military/veterans/first responders with a valid I.D.
- \$24 Nevada residents with a valid I.D.
- \$15 youth ages 7-17
- Free for children under 6

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GROUPS: Group Tours – 10 or more people: \$18 per person

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