

Conceptual image of prop visitor center plaza

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The Bainbridge Island Japanese American Exclusion Memorial Association (BIJAEMA) is a private non-profit organization that designed and supports the maintenance and operation of the memorial. BIJAEMA relies on volunteers and the generous support of all those who are moved by the story which the Memorial Wall honors. <u>Please consider</u> <u>donating to this ongoing project.</u>

### BIJAEMA

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### Location:

Audio Tour:

Bainbridge Island Japanese American Exclusion Memorial is located at Pritchard Park, 4192 Eagle Harbor Drive, Bainbridge Island, WA. 3.8 miles from the Winslow Ferry Terminal.



Enhance your visit to the memorial with a

Please indicate the size of your group,

Minimum of two weeks notice. We will

The Bainbridge Island Japanese Exclusion

Memorial is a satellite of the National Park

Service's Minidoka National Historic Site

and is located on property owned by the

Bainbridge Island Metropolitan Park and Recreation District. These organizations,

along with the Bainbridge Island Japanese

Island Historical Museum, cooperate with

BIJAEMA in the management of the site.

American Community and Bainbridge

date, time and duration of your visit.

do our best to accommodate requests. Contact Bainbridge Island Historical

Museum, 206-842-2773, outreach@

free, informative audio tour:

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**Partnerships:** 

**Guided Tours:** 



# Historical Information:

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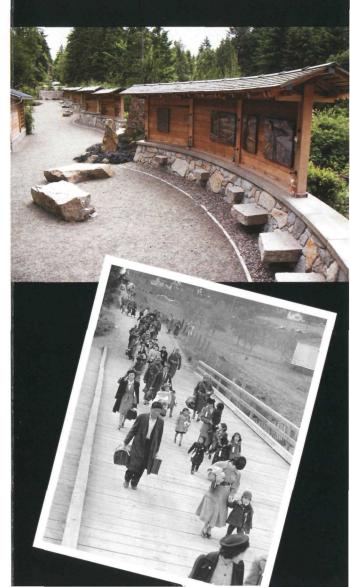
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In downtown Winslow, visit the Bainbridge Island Historical Museum and the awardwinning exhibit "Kodomo No Tame Ni – For the Sake of the Children." It covers a century of history of pioneering Japanese immigrants and Japanese Americans on Bainbridge Island from 1883 to 1983, highlighting their contributions to the community, businesses and culture, and shares their experiences and perspectives during World War II.

#### National Historic Site

# THE BAINBRIDGE ISLAND JAPANESE AMERICAN EXCLUSION MEMORIAL

*Nidoto Nai Yoni* Let It Not Happen Again



Welcome to the Bainbridge Island Japanese American Exclusion Memorial ...



# BRINGING TOGETHER HISTORY ART NATURE COMMUNITY

LIKE THE WAVES OF TIME PASSING, the sinuous, curving Memorial Wall is built on the historic Eagledale Ferry Dock landing site where the first of more than 120,000 Japanese Americans – two-thirds of them United States citizens – were banished from their West Coast homes and placed in concentration camps during World War II.

**ON MARCH 30, 1942** – with only six days notice and only allowed to bring what they could carry or wear – 227 Bainbridge Island men, women and children were forcibly removed by armed U.S. Army soldiers. This was the first mass community to arrive at the Manzanar concentration camp in California, and later most were assigned to the last barracks at the Minidoka concentration camp in Idaho, becoming the emblematic bookends of the Japanese American incarceration story.

THE 276 FOOT-LONG CONTEMPLATIVE Memorial Wall of old-growth red cedar, granite and basalt honors the names of all 276 Japanese Americans at the start of WWII who were exiled from Bainbridge Island by President Franklin D. Roosevelt's Executive Order 9066 and Civilian Exclusion Order No. 1. It also honors the unique legacy of a community that stood by their Japanese American friends and neighbors and welcomed them home. Five large terra cotta friezes along the Memorial Wall movingly illustrate this American story of perseverance, patriotism and courage.

