



The New Bedford Whaling Museum is a world-renowned museum that brings to life the rich history of the whaling industry and New Bedford's role as its premier port. Located in the heart of New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park, the Museum features interactive exhibits, including the world's largest whaling ship model; displays of fine and decorative arts; collections of cultural artifacts, rare antiquities, scrimshaw and logbooks; and five whale skeletons including the rare blue and northern right.

Join Our Crew

Become a member and receive **free admission** and a **discount** in the Museum Store, among other benefits. See the Visitor Services desk for more details.

Museum Hours

Winter/Spring Hours (January – May)

Monday through Saturday: 9 am to 4 pm
Sundays: Noon to 4 pm
Until 9 pm every 2nd Thursday of the month

Summer/Fall Hours (June – December)

Daily: 9 am to 5 pm
Until 9 pm every 2nd Thursday of the month
Closed Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day

Museum Policy

- Children under 14 years must be accompanied by an adult.
- No backpacks, packages, oversized bags or umbrellas in the Museum. Lockers are provided near the admissions desk.
- No food or beverages are permitted in the Main & Upper levels of the Museum and Theater.
- Bags over a certain size are subject to search upon entrance and exit.
- Shirts and shoes are required.
- Turn cell phones off (or to silent mode) while in the Museum & Theater. Please refrain from using cell phones in the galleries.

Photo/Video Policy

- Photographs and moving pictures (without flash or tripod) are permitted for private non-commercial use except where the "no photo" icon is displayed .
- Objects on loan from private collections or other institutions may not be photographed or filmed.
- The Museum reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to withhold and/or withdraw permission to photograph or film on its premises.
- Members of the press or film industry must contact the Communications & Marketing Dept.

Functions and Rentals

The Museum offers distinctive settings for weddings, corporate, and social events. Contact: specialevents@whalingmuseum.org

New Bedford Whaling Museum Research Library and Photo Archive

791 Purchase Street

The Research Library is an essential destination for anyone with a passion for books or an interest in learning more about the subject of whales and whaling, voyages of exploration and discovery, American maritime history, art history, and American business history. The collection includes nearly 2,400 logbooks, and over 1,000 linear feet of manuscripts.

The Photo Archive contains over 200,000 historic images that tell the global story of whaling, while significantly reflecting the history of photography and the Old Dartmouth region from the 1840's to the present.

Hours

Closed Monday. Tuesday through Friday, Noon to 4 pm. Appointment required. Open free to public the first Saturday of each month from 10 am to 4 pm. Free admission to the Research Library is a benefit of Museum membership. A \$10 research fee is charged for non-members during the week.



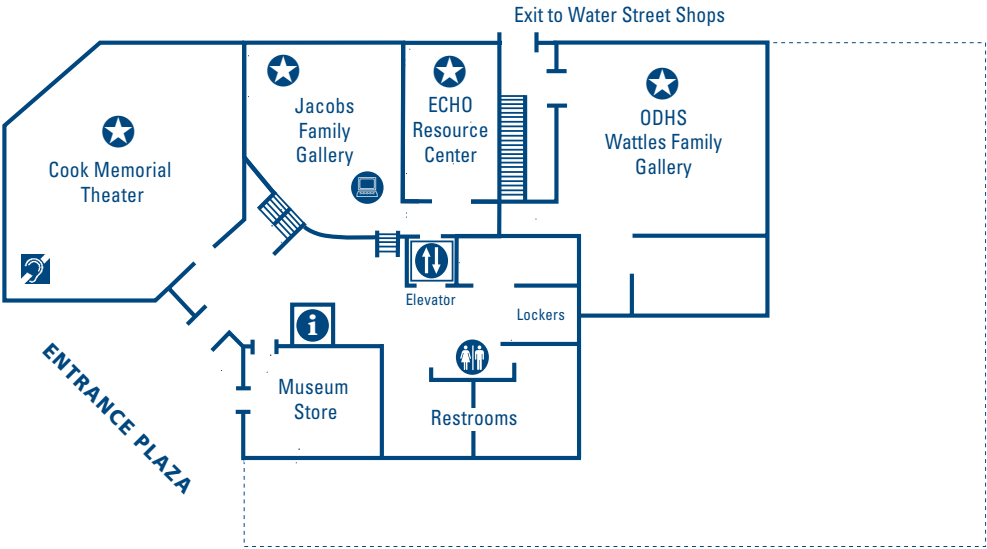
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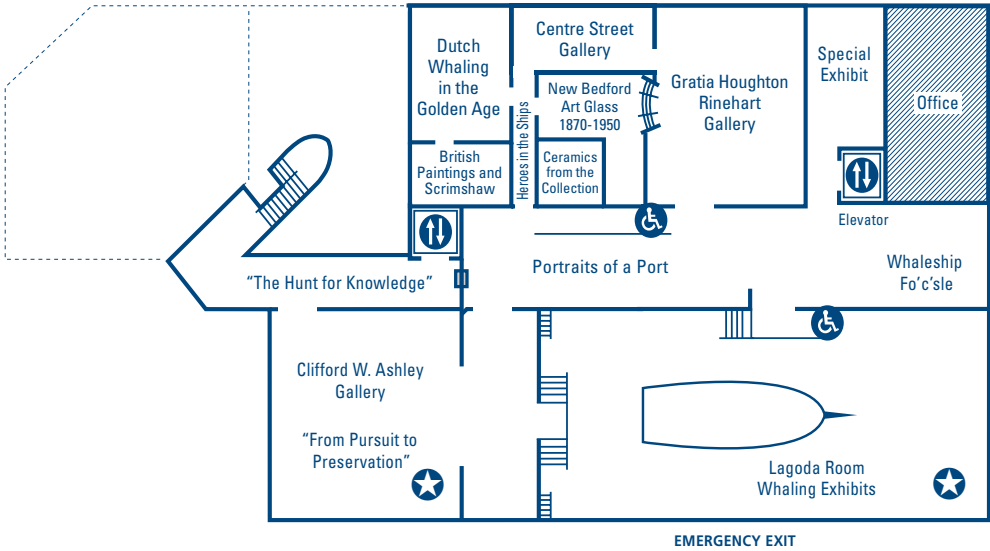
ENTRANCE LEVEL



- LOBBY (L)**
- Information Desk
 - Restrooms
 - Museum Theater
 - Museum Store
 - The Museum is fully accessible
 - ELEVATOR**

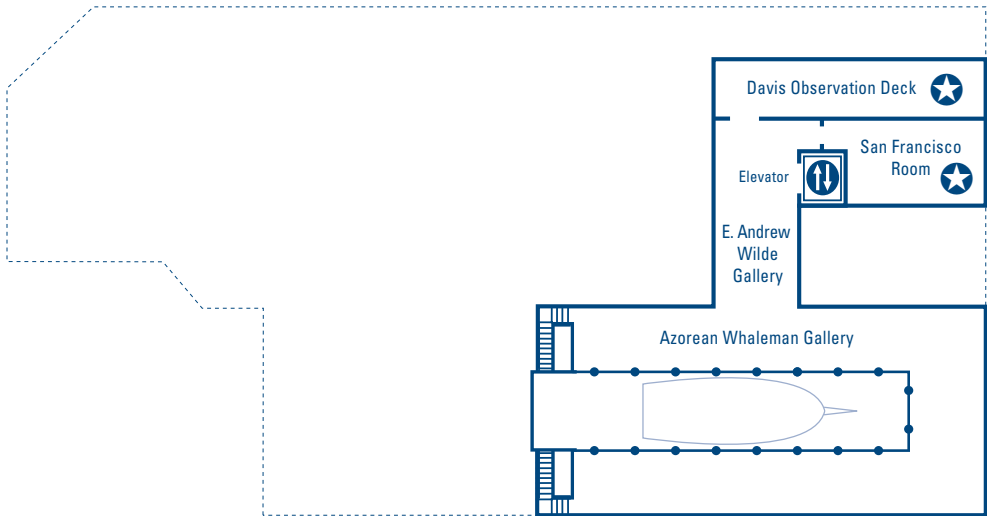
- LOWER LOBBY (LL)**
- Jacobs Family Gallery
 - ODHS Wattles Family Gallery
 - Free Wireless
 - ECHO Resource Center
 - ELEVATOR**
 - Lockers - Free tokens at desk
 - Hearing impaired assistance available

MAIN LEVEL (ML)



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- The Hunt For Knowledge
 - Portraits of a Port
 - From Pursuit to Preservation
 - Lagoda Room
 - Whaleship Fo'c'sle
 - Dutch Whaling in the Golden Age
 - British Paintings and Scrimshaw
 - Heroes in the Ships
 - New Bedford Art Glass 1870-1950
 - Ceramics from the Permanent Collection
 - ELEVATOR**
 - RAMP**

UPPER LEVEL (UL)



- UPPER LEVEL (UL)**
- Lagoda Room Whaling Exhibits
 - San Francisco Room (Conference Room)
 - Davis Observation Deck – with a beautiful view of New Bedford Harbor
 - ELEVATOR**

Available to rent for special occasions. Museum Theater accommodates 248 people.

Contact: specialevents@whalingmuseum.org