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- **The Mark Twain House & Museum – Hartford, CT** - Also a National Historic Landmark, this museum was once the home of Mark Twain. He lived here when he wrote *Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*, *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer*, *The Prince and The Pauper*, and *A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court*. The Mark Twain House is only available for guided tour. Parking is free and children under six are free.
- **Yale University Art Gallery – New Haven, CT** - The oldest college art museum in America, housing around 200,000 objects from ancient time to present day. The collections encompass the entire globe and include sculptures, paintings, prints, photography, and more. There are temporary exhibitions in addition to the regular collections. Free and open to the public. Parking is available for a fee.
- **Mystic Seaport – Mystic, CT** - The nation's leading maritime museum was founded in 1929 and is home to four National Historic Landmark Vessels. The museum covers nineteen acres on the Mystic River and includes the last wooden whaleship in the world. In addition to viewing the historic boats, some are available to ride or charter. You can also rent a wooden rowboat. Active duty personnel and retired military, and their guests, receive a discounted admission.



Museums



Whether you're interested in art, history, maritime, or military, there is a museum in the area for you. Full of rich local and international culture, the museums here offer fantastic tours and information for everyone.

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RHODE ISLAND

- **Naval War College Museum – Newport, RI** - The museum is located in historic Founders Hall with gorgeous views of the Narragansett Bay and the Newport Bridge. It is the original building of the United States Naval War College, christened so by Commodore Stephen B. Luce, USN, in 1884. The museum is called Founders Hall in honor of the founding fathers of the Naval War College. It focuses on the history of naval warfare and the naval heritage of Narragansett Bay.

- **The Breakers & Newport Mansions – Newport, RI** - The Breakers is one of the grandest of the Newport mansions and a symbol of the Vanderbilt family's prominence and fortune in the turn of the century. The mansions offer self-guided audio and guided tours, some of which take you "behind the scenes" of the mansions. Some of the mansions have seasonal specials, including Christmas. There is a military discount for duo and household passes, but not for individual tickets. Free parking is available at all preservation society properties, except for Hunter House.

- **Rhode Island School of Design Museum of Art – Providence, RI** - This internationally renowned museum has art from all over the world – more than 80,000 pieces of art in total. Collections include: ancient art, Asian art, Contemporary art, costume and textiles, painting & sculpture, photography, and much more. Active duty military and their families receive free admission with ID. Paid parking and limited free parking is available.



MASSACHUSETTS

- **Museum of Fine Arts – Boston, MA** - Boston's oldest and largest art institution houses one of the world's most comprehensive art collections, including ancient world, contemporary art, photography, and fashion from all over the world. The museum also has rotating exhibitions throughout the year. Active duty military receive free admission year round, which includes the military card holder, one additional adult, and children ages 17 and under. Parking is available for a fee.

- **John F. Kennedy Presidential Museum & Library – Boston, MA** - This museum allows you to relive the Kennedy era. The visit starts with a short film and then you are free to explore on your own. Exhibits include 1960s campaign paraphernalia, the Cuban Missile Crisis, the Kennedy-Nixon debate, and more. Open seven days a week (some holidays excluded). CAC carriers of the US Armed Forces and children 12 and under receive free admission. Parking is free for museum visitors, and public transportation is available, including a free shuttle to the museum from the bus stop.

- **Boston Tea Party Museum – Boston, MA** - This floating museum is located on the Congress Street Bridge in Boston. There are live actors, interactive exhibits, restored tea ships, and more. You can meet the colonists and dump tea overboard just like the Sons of Liberty did in 1773. There is a discount for military & children under 5 are free. Discounted parking is available at Farnsworth street garage, with validation stamp, & the trolley stops near the museum.

- **Museum of Science – Boston, MA** - This hands-on museum offers something for everyone, including an IMAX theater, planetarium shows, 4-D movie experience, a butterfly garden, and much more. Parking is available on the onsite garage for a fee. Active duty military receive free admission to the Exhibit Halls for themselves only.

- **Lizzie Borden House – Fall River, MA** - For those who know the song and those who don't, this museum is an interesting stop. It is the former home of Lizzie Borden and the place where the murders happened. The museum offers information about the infamous family but also tours and overnight accommodations for a fee.