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**Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor Celebrates
10th Anniversary with *Living History Day*, Sept 24;
Free Admission through Smithsonian *Museum Day Live!***

Honolulu, HI – In recognition of Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor’s 10th anniversary and the upcoming 75th anniversary of the December 7th bombing of Pearl Harbor, Pacific Aviation Museum has expanded its annual *Living History Day* to include a multitude of historical exhibits, presentations by award-winning authors and hands-on demonstrations highlighting the history, bravery and heroes of WWII and the sacrifices made by both military and civilians.

Living History Day will be held Sept 24, from 9 am – 4:30 pm. The event is held in partnership with Smithsonian Magazine *Museum Day Live!*, providing free admission to visitors who present a *Museum Day Live!* ticket. Visitors can download free tickets at <http://www.smithsonianmag.com/museumday/>. Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor is a Smithsonian Affiliate and ranked one of the nation’s top 10 aviation attractions in the nation by TripAdvisor®.

This year’s event will include special tribute displays highlighting the 100th Infantry Battalion and 442nd Regimental Combat Team, as well as WWII exhibits created by local high school students. Japanese Cultural

Center of Hawaii will present a short documentary film called “Honouliuli: Hawaii’s Hidden Internment Camp” that sheds light on the longest operating and largest WWII internment and POW camp in Hawaii. Costumed interpreters representing Rosie the Riveter, Cornelia Fort, USCG Lieutenant Frank Erickson and other WWII pioneers and heroes will interact with visitors, sharing the stories of those individuals they represent.

There will also be presentations and book signings by award-winning authors Dorinda Nicholson (*Pearl Harbor Child*) and Marc Wortman (*1941: Fighting the Shadow War*). In addition, author Stacey Hayashi (*Journey of Heroes*) will be joined by veterans from the 100th Infantry Battalion and 442nd Regimental Combat Team to meet visitors. Nell Calloway, granddaughter of General Claire Lee Chennault who led the “Flying Tigers” and the Republic of China Air Force during WWII, will also be on hand to share stories of her grandfather’s heroic feats. Other activities include swing dance, riveting in Lt. Ted Shealy’s Restoration Shop, historic aircraft modeler demonstrations, and open cockpits.

Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor is located on historic Ford Island, where bombs fell during the attack on Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1941. Visitors to the Museum can see remnants from that day of infamy, including the 158-foot tall red and white iconic Ford Island Field Control Tower, Hangars 37 and 79, and bullet holes in hangar 79. Through its preservation and restoration of World War II fighter planes and accompanying artifacts in the Museum’s historic hangars, Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor shares the story of the vital role aviation played in America’s winning of World War II, and its continuing role in maintaining America’s freedom.

For this event, free round-trip shuttles to and from Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor depart every 15 minutes, 7:30am to 5:00pm from the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center. Call 808/441-1007 for more information or visit www.PacificAviationMuseum.org, Facebook, Flickr, Instagram, and @PacificAviation on Twitter, for more information and updates.

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