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(To access photos from today's Open Cockpit Day, go to: https://flic.kr/s/aHskPhnj2Z Credit: Pearl Harbor Aviation Museum)

Pearl Harbor Aviation Museum's Open Cockpit Day Honors Aviators & Their Support Personnel

Honolulu, HI - Saturday, March 02, 10:00am – 4:00pm Families, aviators, and kids of all ages got up close and personal with aviation today, climbing into the open cockpits of many of the historic aircraft in Hangar 79 at Pearl Harbor Aviation Museum. Attendees also met with Marines from Kaneohe Marine Corps Base Hawaii who flew a V-22 Osprey in for the event. New this year, keiki ages 11-17 were able to explore Aviation and STEM through Youth Aviation Adventure. An engaging hands-on program for middle school and high school students. Youth Aviation Adventure featured concepts from preflight checks to airport operations and aerospace careers. The Museum's annual "Open Cockpit Day," welcomed over 1,000 guests to Ford Island today.

Pearl Harbor Aviation Museum is located on Historic Ford Island, where bombs fell during the attack on Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1941. Walk on the Pearl Harbor battlefield where the attack began, enter the bullet-scarred hangars, see the control tower and aircraft of the battle, Including a Japanese Zero and the B-17 Swamp Ghost. Hear the stories of WWII heroes and their response to the attack that changed our nation and the world. Tour Included, flight simulators and café available.

Pearl Harbor Aviation Museum is a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization. Its mission is to steward America's first aviation battlefield of World War II sharing the artifacts, personal stories, the impact and response to the December 7, 1941 attack and the pacific region battles that followed, honoring those who have defended our freedom so they might educate and inspire future generations. Contact: 808-441-1000; Marketing@PearlHarborAviationMuseum.org

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