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Military Intelligence Service Historic Learning Center Building 640



National Japanese American Historical Society

"This is a special place for everyone to learn, to interact, and to discover ethnic history in a new way..."



Our Mission

Building 640's historic site was the original home of the Fourth Army Intelligence School, which secretly trained Japanese American soldiers in Japanese military language shortly before World War II. They served, while their families were removed from their homes and imprisoned behind barbed wire. Although their top-secret work kept them from full public recognition, these soldiers applied their intellect, language skills, and cultural acumen to achieve victory. They saved countless lives, shortened the war and proved their loyalty to the United States. Their service in the face of racial prejudice, wartime hostility and global conflict can inspire us to face the challenges of being American.

Our mission at the MIS Historic Learning Center is to preserve a vital part of American history as a tribute to the Japanese American experience and as a promise to the MIS legacy of peace and reconciliation.



What We Do

PROGRAMS

Exhibit-driven programs such as film screenings, performances, workshops, and author series. Free unless otherwise noted.

SCHOOL TOURS

Memorable, value-rich and life-affirming hands-on activities your students will never forget. Signup your class trip today.

GROUP VISITS

Specially tailored for your group. Complimentary Japanese refreshments. Book your group in advance.

FAMILY DAY

Inspired by Japanese holidays and seasons- arts and crafts & cultural demonstrations. Check cal<u>endar listings.</u>

SPECIAL EVENTS

Plan your next event. Nonprofit, corporate, and affinity groups welcome.

General Admission: \$10 /person.

Members, veterans, children 12 and under, free.

Call for school and group tour rates.











