

Rick will also be volunteering at the

USS MISSOURI'S White Flash, Black Rain Exhibit August 12th, Opening Day.

The exhibit is a Hiroshima & Nagasaki Survivor Testimony & Exhibit Grand Opening. Marking the 80th Anniversary of the end of WWII. <https://ussmissouri.org/visit/exhibits-displays/new-display-white-flash-black-rain>

New Display: White Flash / Black Rain



HIROSHIMA & NAGASAKI

80TH ANNIVERSARY

SURVIVOR TESTIMONY & EXHIBIT GRAND OPENING

White Flash, Black Rain



AUGUST

TUESDAY 12 10:00 A.M.

2025

Mission Statement: “The USS Missouri Memorial Association is dedicated to preserving the Battleship Missouri Memorial and sharing her story and place in history.”

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WHITE FLASH / BLACK RAIN: THE 80TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ATOMIC BOMBINGS OF HIROSHIMA & NAGASAKI

Join us for a powerful ceremony of remembrance and reflection as we honor the lives lost and forever changed by the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. This special ceremony marks the opening of a new on-board exhibit that explores the impact of nuclear warfare and the enduring message of peace born from the ashes of war. Hear firsthand from a survivor and take away lessons that continue to resonate 80 years later.

Let us gather to remember, reflect, and renew our commitment to peace.

EVENT DETAILS

Location: The ceremony will take place on the Fantail of the Battleship Missouri Memorial, with guests proceeding to the Second Deck for the official exhibit opening and blessing.

Testimony from a Hiroshima Survivor: Hear a powerful firsthand account from Ms. Sadae Kasaoka, a Hiroshima bombing survivor. At age 12, she was in her first year of girls’ high school and at home 3.5 km (2.2 miles) from the hypocenter at the time of the explosion.

Crane Folding Activity: All guests are invited to participate in folding paper cranes—a symbolic gesture of peace. Cranes folded during the event will remain on display for the duration of the exhibit.

Immersive VR Experience: VR headsets will be available to provide an interactive and emotional perspective on the devastating impact of the atomic bomb.

All Are Welcome to Attend: The ceremony and exhibit blessing are open to the public, and we encourage guests to join us for this meaningful occasion aboard the Battleship Missouri Memorial.

This exhibit runs through February 2026.