

# Museum of Brisbane launches new Americans in Wartime Brisbane walking tour

Love exploring Brisbane on your own two feet? Discover the hidden histories of over 80,000 American soldiers stationed in the city during World War II with a new two-hour walking tour from Museum of Brisbane.

Presented by Museum of Brisbane and MacArthur Museum Brisbane, the *Americans in Wartime Brisbane* walking tour takes in significant sites from the Battle of Brisbane to headquarters of the Allied Forces in the South-West Pacific.

Starting in the King George Square Foyer of Brisbane City Hall, you will learn about the important role of City Hall during World War II before heading off on a guided walking tour of the city.

Learn about Brisbane's war brides at Albert Street Uniting Church, uncover the past at ANZAC Square Memorial Museum, explore Customs House and hear about the explosive Battle of Brisbane. Fought over two nights—November 26 and 27, 1942—the Battle of Brisbane became the most notable wartime punch-up between Australian and American personnel as it resulted in a number of significant injuries and the death of Australian Private Ed Webster, fatally wounded by a blast from a shotgun wielded by an American military policeman (MP).

The tour ends at the MacArthur Museum, formerly the headquarters of the Allied Forces in the South-West Pacific. Look behind the front lines of the Second World War; visit General MacArthur's office; watch movie footage of World War II; and inspect other memorabilia that recall the man who was as remarkable as he was controversial.

The *Americans in Wartime Brisbane* walking tour runs each Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday from 9.30am to 11.30am. Tickets \$60 adults, \$30 children. Entry to all attractions is included. Bookings are essential.

**For bookings and more information, visit [museumofbrisbane.com.au/whats-on](https://museumofbrisbane.com.au/whats-on)**

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## About Museum of Brisbane

Museum of Brisbane brings our city's vibrant art, culture and history to life through our exhibitions, workshops, tours, talks and children's activities.

Located in City Hall, the Museum is part of the living history of the city, examining how Brisbane and its people change over time and how our individual and collective stories reveal our character and create our identity. We are also the keeper of City Hall's rich heritage, and visitors can experience a bird's eye view of Brisbane from the top of the iconic Clock Tower on one of our popular tours, as well as learn the stories behind City Hall during an insider's tour of the 90-year-old building.

Museum of Brisbane is an avid supporter of the city's artists, designers and artisans. We are dedicated to transforming their artistic vision into a stunning reality through our exhibitions and artist-in-residence programs. The work of Brisbane's artists, designers and chefs can also be found at MoB Shop which stocks a bespoke range of jewellery, accessories, homewares, design objects, books, artworks and gourmet food.

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