USS SLATER

DESTROYER ESCORT HISTORICAL MUSUEM



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BACKGROUND

During World War II, 563
Destroyer Escorts battled
Nazi U-boats in the Atlantic,
protecting convoys of men
and material. In the Pacific,
they stood in line to defend
naval task forces from
Japanese submarines and
Kamikaze air attacks. Today,
only one of these ships
remains afloat in the United
States, the USS SLATER.

Moored in Albany, New York, USS SLATER is a museum ship open to the public to tour. She serves as a memorial to all Destroyer Escort ships, their sailors, as well as the men and women who built the ships, and their families, descendants, and friends.



HISTORY

SLATER was built in Tampa, Florida in 1944. She entered service for WWII and completed five convoy escorts across the Atlantic, where every ship in her protection safely arrived. In 1946, she served in the Pacicifc on ocupation duty. After deactiviation, she was transferred to the Greek Navy where she served for forty years.

In 1993, SLATER returned to the United States and was berthed at the Intrepid Sea, Air, and Space Museum in New York City. By 1997, SLATER was moved to her new berth on the Hudson River in Albany, New York. She's been open to the public and undergoing constant restoration to return her to her 1945 configuration.



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VOLUNTEERS

SLATER HAS MANY EDUCATION AND MAINTENANCE VOLUNTEERS WITH VAST AMOUNTS OF KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERTISE WHO ARE ALWAYS EXCITED TO SHARE.

PRICE POINTS

- TOURS \$10 ADULTS, \$9 SENIORS, \$8 CHILDREN
- GROUP TOURS \$7 ADULTS, \$5 STUDENTS
- OVERNIGHTS \$50 PER CAMPER
- PRESENTATIONS \$75 (1 HOUR)
- VIRTUAL TOURS \$75 (LIVE TOUR GUIDE)
- ENGINEROOM TOUR \$5 TICKET
- COLLECTION TOUR \$5 TICKET

MEMBERSHIP

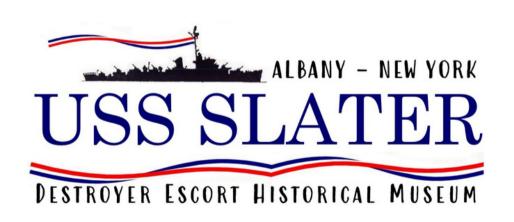
- INDIVIDUAL \$25 (I YEAR) \$48 (2 YEAR)
- FAMILY \$35 (I YEAR) \$65 (2 YEAR)
- LIFETIME \$500

PUBLICATIONS

SLATER SIGNALS - A MONTHLY ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER.

TRIM BUT DEADLY - A QUARTERLY PRINT NEWSLETTER.

DE CLASSIFIED - A MONTHLY PODCAST.





CEREMONIES

DESTROYER ESCORT DAY COAST GUARD BIRTHDAY NAVY BIRTHDAY OXI DAY VETERAN'S DAY

HOLIDAYS OPEN

MOTHER'S DAY
MEMORIAL DAY
FATHER'S DAY
INDEPENDANCE DAY
LABOR DAY
COLUMBUS DAY
VETERAN'S DAY

BY THE NUMBERS

SLATER IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC 8 MONTHS OF THE YEAR. ON AVERAGE, WE WELCOME 15,000 VISITORS PER SEASON.

OUR VOLUNTEERS CONTRIBUTE OVER 20,000 HOURS OF SERVICE PER YEAR

OUT OF THE 563 DESTROYER ESCORTS BUILT DURING WWII, 6 EXSIST TODAY.

SLATER IS THE ONLY ONE AFLOAT IN THE U.S.

SLATER SUPPORTERS DONATE AN AVERAGE OF \$330,000 PER YEAR. THESE DONATIONS ARE VITAL TO THE SHIP'S SURVIVAL AS SHE RECIEVES NO REGULAR SUPPORT FROM STATE OR FEDERAL GOVERNMENTS, OR THE U.S. NAVY.