
DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

MEMORIAL COMMISSION

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Eisenhower Memorial Returns to Kansas State Fair for Third Year

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The Eisenhower Memorial Commission (EMC), founded by federal legislation in 1999, is entrusted with the task of building an enduring memorial honoring President Dwight D. Eisenhower. The memorial, designed by America's preeminent architect, Frank Gehry, will be built near the National Mall in Washington, DC, adjacent to the National Air and Space Museum.

A favorite stop at the Fair of many Kansans, the EMC is returning this year to host a booth in the Eisenhower Building (#8) at the Kansas State Fair. The EMC booth will be open from September 5th to 14th, 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Fairgoers visiting the EMC's booth can choose from a number of fun and educational activities:

1. View the current design images of the memorial. Learn about the process of building a national memorial firsthand from Commission Staff.
2. Watch the interactive videos on the events of D-Day and Eisenhower's role as Supreme Allied Commander of NATO, two of seven videos that will be featured on the electronic portion of the memorial.
3. Test your knowledge of Eisenhower's legacy through a series of topics and levels. Reach 100 points, and you win a prize! New takeaways including Ike hand fans and postcards this year.
4. Back by popular demand! Cut-outs of General and President Ike will be available for photos.
5. Participate in the Kansas State Fair Challenge to help raise funds for the memorial's construction and get your name on a 'stick' in conjunction with the Fair's theme for 2014.

EMC has always received a warm welcome from Eisenhower's home state, and looks forward to updating fellow Kansans on the progress of his memorial.

Note: EMC Commissioners include Kansas Senators Pat Roberts and Jerry Moran. EMC Advisory Committee members include former Kansas Senators Bob Dole and Nancy Kassebaum Baker, former Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; General Richard Myers, and former Mayor and Commissioner of Abilene; Judy Burgess.

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ABOUT THE EISENHOWER MEMORIAL COMMISSION

The bi-partisan Commission was created by Congress in 1999. The 12-member Commission includes four Members of the United States Senate and four members of the U.S. House of Representatives. World renowned architect Frank Gehry was selected to design the memorial through a federal competition process managed by the General Services Administration's Design Excellence Program in 2009 and the Commission chose a preferred design concept for the memorial in 2010.

