NCPC Approves Modifications to Memorial Design

On February 2, EMC in conjunction with Gehry Partners presented three design modifications to the National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC). The NCPC approved the revised design concept and will review mockups of the tapestry design at a forthcoming date.
This aerial rendering illustrates the revised tapestry which now features a peaceful scene of the Normandy coast at Pointe du Hoc, Image courtesy of Gehry Partners, LLP, 2017

Educational Resources Bring Ike's Legacy to the Classroom

George Mason University's highly respected Roy Rosenzweig Center for History and New Media was selected to develop educational resources including an interactive timeline of Eisenhower’s life and curriculum units for each of the E-Memorial's seven Pivotal Moments.

All resources offer cross-curriculum and primary source materials and conform to state and national teaching standards to provide a superior educational experience for a tech-savvy generation of students and teachers.

Interactive Timeline

The interactive timeline connects viewers with key events in both Eisenhower’s life and in world history during his lifetime. His life spanned an era of great change from the closing of the American frontier in 1890 — the year of his birth — to the first landing on the moon in 1969 — the year Eisenhower died.

The creation of the interactive timeline was the result of the collaborative effort among educators, historians and media designers. The Education Projects team at the Rosenzweig Center thoughtfully curated the content for
the milestones and the E-Memorial design firm, Local Projects, designed and implemented the exceptionally-unique website experience.

Explore the timeline through the E-Memorial's website at: timeline.eisenhowermemorial.gov

Interactive Eisenhower Timeline

Curriculum Units

The Rosenzweig Center worked with a team of secondary school teachers and a faculty historian to develop middle and high school curriculum units based on the seven pivotal moments — each curriculum unit features two or three lesson plans. Teachers can download the freely available units and related materials for classroom use.

A wide variety of primary and secondary sources are included in the lesson plans, such as D-Day maps, images from the early years of space exploration, and declassified government documents. Each plan contains suggestions for differentiation and assessment. These units will be useful for teaching World War II, 20th-century U.S. and world history.

Download all lessons from the E-Memorial website at: timeline.eisenhowermemorial.gov/lessonplans

For more information or to read more about the project, visit the Rosenzweig Center's blog.

Ike's Timeless Legacy

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Black History Month Spotlight

February celebrates Black History Month. This week we honor the life and legacy of E. Frederic Morrow, who on July 9, 1955, became the first African-American appointed to serve on the White House executive staff, when President Eisenhower named him Administrative Officer for Special Projects.

Following service in the Army during World War II, Morrow worked on Eisenhower’s 1952 campaign, eventually securing an appointment in the White House. Morrow played an important role in arranging a 1958 meeting among Ike and Civil Rights leaders Roy Wilkins, Martin Luther King, Jr., A. Phillip Randolph, and Lester Granger. Morrow would also go on to become the first African-American vice-president at Bank of America.

President Eisenhower and Fred Morrow at the White House, October 4, 1956

His accomplishments in the Eisenhower administration are symbolized by the inclusion of a statue of an African-American advisor alongside President Eisenhower in the Memorial core.
We believe that freedom and equality with which all men are endowed at birth can be maintained only through freedom and equality of opportunity for self development, growth, and purposeful citizenship. We believe that the degree to which people everywhere realize and accept this concept will determine in a large measure America's true growth and true greatness.

- Telegram, parents of the "Little Rock Nine" to President Eisenhower, October 1, 1957
Test Your Ike'spertise

Trivia Question: On what holiday did Dwight propose to Mamie? (See answer below)

Wedding portrait of Ike and Mamie, July 1, 1916, image courtesy of the Eisenhower Presidential Library

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Trivia Answer:

Valentine’s Day. Ike proposed to Mamie on February 14, 1916, presenting her with a miniature copy of his West Point class ring. The couple married later that year, on July 1, in the Doud home in Denver, Colorado.
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