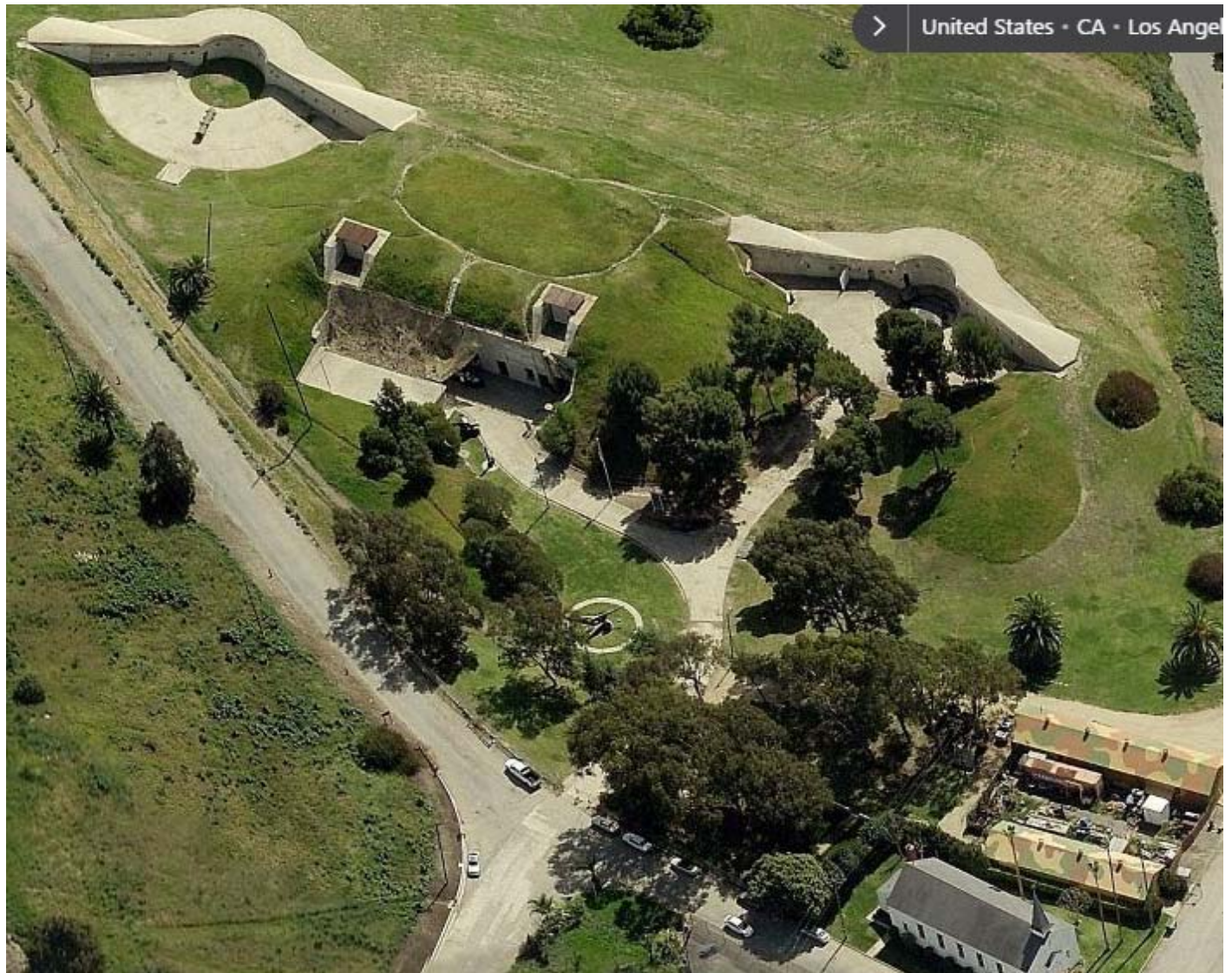


Outstanding Preserved Coast Defense Sites

CDSG Preservation & Interpretation

Site: Fort MacArthur Museum, 3601 S. Gaffey Street, San Pedro, CA 90731 (310) 548-2631

The Fort MacArthur Museum is dedicated to the preservation and interpretation of the history of Fort MacArthur, a U.S. Army post which guarded the Los Angeles harbor from 1914 to 1974. The Museum was established in 1985, and it is housed in the corridors and galleries of historic Battery Osgood-Farley. The Fort MacArthur Reservations hold an important collection of historical structures which were part of the U.S. Army's role in the defense of the American continental coastline from invasion. These structures clearly trace the development of American coastal defenses, from the all big gun era of the turn of the century to the missile era of today. The rooms, galleries and corridors of the Museum contain a variety of exhibits and displays which include: the history of Los Angeles harbor defenses, home-front activities in the greater Los Angeles area during the World Wars, Civil Defense, American Pacific Theater military campaigns, early American Air Defenses and the important role of Los Angeles as a military port for both the Army and the Navy.



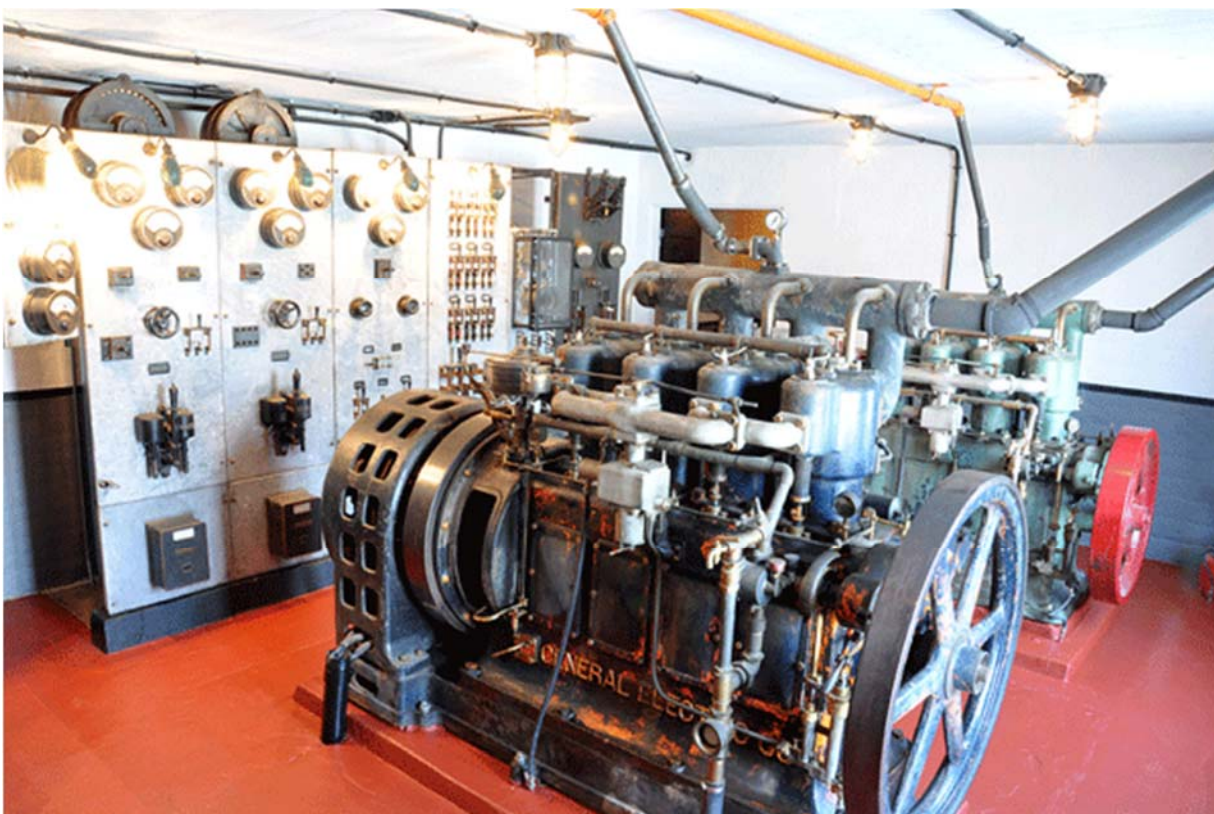
Fort MacArthur Museum (Battery Osgood-Farley – two 14-inch DC) – Note support shops in lower right



Panoramic view of Battery Osgood



Battery Osgood-Farley with 155mm GPF on Panama Mount in foreground



Restored Battery Power Room with two 25kw motor generators and electrical control boards



Battery Osgood's restored Battery Commander's Station



Battery Osgood's restored Plotting Room

Outstanding Features: Batteries Osgood-Farley (each one 14-inch DC) has been turned into an excellent museum. Key battery rooms have been restored to original specifications and fully equipped with coast artillery artifacts. The batteries' magazines are now museum galleries that tell the military history of San Pedro and the coast defenses that defended Los Angeles. The museum has a fine collection of searchlights, military vehicles, 155mm GPF gun, 90mm mount, AA rangefinders, 40mm AA gun, and many more wonderful artifacts through its grounds. Annually the museum holds Old Fort MacArthur Days and Great LA Air Raid events that brings many military related groups in the Los Angeles area together on site.

Contact: Open Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday & Holidays from 12 PM to 5 PM. Arrangements for special tours can be made by contacting the museum weekdays from 10 AM to 5 PM at Fort MacArthur Military Museum - 3601 S. Gaffey Street- San Pedro, CA 90731- (310) 548-2631



90mm T3/M3 Mount for ATMB

Site: Fort Miles Museum and Historical Area at Cape Henlopen State Park, Lewes, Delaware

Lying amidst rolling sand dunes, on a high bank overlooking the Atlantic Ocean, is the Fort Miles Historical Area, home of the Fort Miles Museum. The central features of the museum include Battery 519, six barracks buildings, a fire control tower, an orientation building, and the Fort Miles Artillery Park. The museum tells the story of Fort Miles, a key piece of our nation's coastal defense, from World War II through the early 1970's. The gun batteries of Fort Miles, secret state-of-the-art installations built within the massive sand dunes of Cape Henlopen, were designed to defend against the powerful German navy. With more than 2,500 soldiers stationed on high alert, the heavy guns, mine fields and searchlights of Fort Miles defended the vital trade centers of Wilmington, Philadelphia, and beyond. As America moved into the cold war, the role of Fort Miles shifted to highly classified missions defending against the threat of Soviet submarine operations off our coastline. The Fort Miles Museum exhibits and artifacts within **Battery 519**, a 15,000-square-foot fortified underground chamber, bring to life Delaware's wartime stories of submarine encounters and surrender, and hometown heroes who sacrificed for our freedom. The Museum's collection of armaments provides visitors a unique opportunity to experience first-hand how state-of-the-art technology from an earlier day was used to defend the homeland.



Fort Miles Historic Area (Battery #519, Fire Control tower, and cantonment area)





16-inch/50 gun on proof mount

Outstanding Features: Battery #519 (two – 12-inch CBC) has been turned into a fine museum. Battery rooms have been restored to original specifications and contain a shell and powder magazine, as well as plotting room display. The batteries' magazines are now museum galleries that tell the military history of Fort Miles and the coast defenses that defended Delaware Bay. The museum has a fine collection of artillery - 16-inch, 12-inch, 8-inch, 155mm, 6-inch, 90mm, 3-inch, and many more wonderful artifacts through its complex. Annually the museum holds events that brings many military related groups in the Mid-Atlantic region together on site.

Contact: The grounds of the Fort Miles Museum are open 8 a.m. to sunset daily. The Museum Orientation Building is open on Fridays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. March 3 – June 10 and Tuesday through Saturday June 13 – September 9. Public access to the museum is only available through [guided tours and open houses](#).



90mm M2 at Fort Miles

Built from 1839 – 1852, the fortification is one of a group of 42 forts which were constructed for the defense of the coast of the United States, and for defense of the harbors they guarded. This group of forts became known as the Third System of Fortifications. Fort Trumbull is unique in the “Third System” because of the Egyptian Revival features incorporated in the architectural design. The Fort is a wonderful example of its era, a masterpiece in stonework and masonry. The Fort contains informative markers and displays, a touchable cannon and artillery crew display, and gun emplacements. The fort interior features 19th Century restored living quarters, a mock laboratory, and a 1950’s era office furnished to resemble a research and development lab at the facility. The public also has access to the ramparts for a spectacular view of the New London Harbor.



Fort Trumbull, New London, CT



8-inch convert rifles at the South Battery, Fort Trumbull



Replica cannon and carriage in Fort Trumbull's casemates

Fort Trumbull Visitor Center



The Center contains state of the art multimedia theaters, computer touch screen interactive exhibits, 3-D models, and extensive graphics and text panels. This one of a kind center depicts over 225 years of military history and technological advances from the Revolutionary War to the Cold War. Some of the main themes of the Visitor Center are the September 6, 1781 attack by the British under the command of Benedict Arnold, the U-boat menace during World War II, and the anti-submarine efforts during the Cold War.

Outstanding Features: Fort Trumbull has been restored from storage warehouse back into a 3rd System Fort. The fort have been restored to original specifications allow the find stone and masonry construction to be on display. The Visitor Center tells the military history of Fort Trumbull and the coast defenses that defended New London and Long Island Sound. The center has a fine collection of wonderful artifacts and displays.

Contact: FORT TRUMBULL STATE PARK, 90 Walbach Street, New London, CT 06320, (860) 444-7591. The park is open every Wednesday through Sunday, 9 AM to 4 PM, from Memorial Day Weekend through Columbus Day. The buildings will close on that day for the season, but the park grounds remain open every day of the week throughout the year. The Visitor Center will be open Wednesday through Sunday from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm through Labor Day. The Center is closed between Labor Day and Memorial Day Weekend.