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## **Free Admission this Summer for Members of the Military at the Museum of Discovery and Science for the Second Year**

*The Museum of Discovery and Science is one of more than 2,000 museums across America participating in the Blue Star Museums program in 2019*

**Fort Lauderdale, Fla. – June 3, 2019** – The [Museum of Discovery and Science](#) is proud to offer military personnel and their families free admission all summer long through the Blue Star Museum program for the second year. From May 18, through Labor Day, Sept. 2, 2019, active military and up to five family members can enjoy MODS exhibits free of charge. The program has been made possible through support from the Florida Blue Foundation.

“The Museum welcomes everyone to visit, explore and experience science through our exhibits, and programs,” said Joseph Cox, MODS president and CEO. “We are thankful and honored to extend programs such as the Blue Star Museum to welcome those who serve this country as active members, as veterans and as family members who miss their loved one during their service.”

The free admission program is available for those currently serving in the United States Military - Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, as well as members of the Reserves, National Guard (regardless of status), U.S. Public Health Commissioned Corps and NOAA Commissioned Corps and up to five family members. Qualified members must show a [Geneva Convention common access card](#) (CAC), [DD Form 1173 ID card \(dependent ID\)](#) or a [DD Form 1173-1 ID](#) card for entrance into a participating Blue Star Museums.

### **About the National Endowment for the Arts**

Established by Congress in 1965, the National Endowment for the Arts is the independent federal agency whose funding and support gives Americans the opportunity to participate in the arts, exercise their imaginations and develop their creative capacities. Through partnerships with state arts agencies, local leaders, other federal agencies and the philanthropic sector, the Arts Endowment supports arts learning, affirms and celebrates America’s rich and diverse cultural heritage and extends its work to promote equal access to the arts in every community across America. Visit [arts.gov](http://arts.gov) to learn more.

### **About Blue Star Families**

Blue Star Families builds communities that support military families by connecting research and data to programs and solutions, including career development tools, local community events for families and caregiver support. Since its inception in 2009, Blue Star Families has engaged tens of thousands of volunteers and serves more than 1.5 million military family members. With Blue Star Families, military families can find answers to their challenges anywhere they are. For more information, visit [bluestarfam.org](http://bluestarfam.org).



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### **About Florida Blue**

Florida Blue, the state's Blue Cross and Blue Shield plan, is a leader in Florida's health care industry. Its mission is to help people and communities achieve better health. Florida Blue serves more than 5 million health care members. An additional 18 million people in 12 states, two U.S. territories and the District of Columbia are served through its affiliated companies. Founded nearly 70 years ago on the need for affordable health care in Florida, the company has a portfolio of innovative products and solutions for individuals, families and companies and is an independent licensee of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association, an association of independent Blue Cross and Blue Shield companies. For more information, visit [www.FloridaBlue.com](http://www.FloridaBlue.com).

### **About the Museum of Discovery and Science**

The mission of the Museum of Discovery and Science is to provide experiential pathways to lifelong learning in science for children and adults through exhibits, programs and films. Founded in 1976 as The Discovery Center, the Museum provides enriching Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) education to approximately 400,000 visitors annually. As a nonprofit organization, major operational support for the Museum is provided through generous funding by Leadership Guild members including: Citrix, JM Family Enterprises, Inc., Jet Blue and Wells Fargo.

The Museum is open Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday from noon to 5 p.m. Ticket prices are \$17 for adults; \$16 for seniors 65+; \$14 for active/retired military personnel; \$14 for children 2 to 12. Children under 2 are free. A 45-minute IMAX documentary or Hollywood movie can be added for a small up charge.

The Museum of Discovery and Science is located downtown at 401 SW Second Street, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33312. For more information about the Museum, call 954.467.MODS (6637) or visit our website at [www.mods.org](http://www.mods.org)

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