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**Capitol Museum Celebrates International Museum Day
May 17, 2008**

PHOENIX, AZ (April 30, 2008) —

Free admission, free parking and free fun! Join us at the Arizona Capitol Museum on May 17, 2008 from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm as we celebrate International Museum Day. Travel back to 1860 and witness how the sewing machine changes everyday life. Then jump ahead to the present day as we track Arizona's own Phoenix Mars Lander on its way to the red planet. Take some time to explore the Capitol and see artifacts on special display during the afternoon. After trying out our hands-on activities, stop into our award winning store to buy a souvenir, and with your purchase get a free desert print to remember the day.

- The magnificent silver service from the USS *Arizona*, our state's namesake battleship that was sunk at Pearl Harbor at the beginning of WWII
- Arizona State Symbols, an exhibit of fifteen state symbols telling the stories of Arizona's environment, society and economy, with interactive features for the blind and visually-impaired
- Restored legislative chambers, where the state constitution was written in 1910, and former home to the House of Representatives
- Territorial and state officials' offices, with a life-size figure of State governor George W. P. Hunt
- Historical figures, from Buffalo Soldiers to suffragists to miners, and more

The 55,000 square foot Museum, located at 1700 W. Washington in Phoenix, tells the story of Arizona's history from Territorial Days to the present through more than twenty exhibits. It is part of the State Library, the oldest cultural institution in Arizona, dating to the organization of the Territory in 1863.

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Arizona Capitol Museum
1700 West Washington Street
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Open: Monday – Friday 8:00 to 5:00
Saturday 11:00 to 4:00

For information on the International Museum Day event and the Capitol Museum, please call 602.926.3620 or visit us on-line at www.lib.az.us/museum