

The image is a promotional graphic for the USS Hornet Museum. It features a dark blue semi-transparent rectangular box in the center containing white text. The background is a photograph of the USS Hornet's superstructure, showing various antennas, radar masts, and deck structures. The top part of the image is slightly faded. The text is as follows:

USS HORNET MUSEUM LOCATION SCOUT PACKAGE

USS Hornet Sea, Air & Space Museum

Contact: events@uss-hornet.org

Location: 707 W. Hornet Ave., Alameda, CA 94501

History of Location

The USS Hornet Sea, Air & Space Museum is located aboard its primary artifact, Aircraft Carrier USS Hornet (CV-12), built for and served in World War II and beyond. This ship was active during the Cold War, the Vietnam War and was an integral part of the Apollo Program, serving as the recovery ship for both Apollo 11 and 12, the first 2 manned missions to the Moon. The ship has been retained in her service configuration as much as possible, offering historically accurate areas to film in. The Hornet Museum also has a large collection of historic aircraft from the 1940s through the 1990s.

Versatility & Production Value

[USS Hornet](#) is a nearly 900-foot WWII Essex-class aircraft carrier that offers extraordinary production flexibility.

Multiple Time Periods in One Location:

- WWII Pacific Theater settings (authentic 1940s naval vessel)
- Cold War and Vietnam War era (served in the 1950s and 1960s)
- Apollo-era space program (1960s-70s) - the first 4 men to walk on the moon walked on her decks ([Apollo 11](#), [Apollo 12](#))
- Modern military/naval settings





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Diverse Filming Environments:

- Flight Deck (nearly 900 feet of open deck space)
- Hangar Deck with period aircraft
- Functioning aircraft elevators
- Engineering spaces with massive turbines
- Medical spaces and Sickbay
- Officer quarters and enlisted crew berthing areas
- Chapel
- Navigation and Flight Control areas in the Island super-structure
- Multiple Kitchen/Galley facilities
- Active workshops
- Machinery rooms

Proven Production History: The ship has served as a filming location for TV shows like JAG and movies including XXX: State of the Union and [Rescue Dawn](#) plus hosted “The Amazing Race” finale , and more ([Hornet’s Film Credits](#)).

Authentic Military Hardware: The museum has many aircraft on display including propeller aircraft, jet aircraft, and rotorcraft from the 1940s through 1990s providing practical props and backgrounds. [Hornet's Aircraft Collection](#).

Logistical Advantages:

- Located in Alameda, California, just across the bay from San Francisco
- Free, ample parking for crew and equipment vehicles
- Easy ferry access from San Francisco
- Self-contained location - no public interference during filming
- Nearby Hotels and crew can sleep on ship if needed

Flexibility:

- Closed Tuesday through Thursday, offering dedicated filming days (Can also close other days, if required)
- Event rental capabilities demonstrate experience hosting large productions



Technical Specifications:

- **Load capacities:**
 - Ship's Crane (Pier to Ship): 15,000 lbs.
 - Scissor Lift (Pier to Ship): 800 lbs.
 - Cargo Elevator (Main deck to flight deck or lower decks): 1,000 lbs.
 - Aircraft Elevator (Main deck to flight deck): 35,000 lbs.
- **Dimensions:** 872' Long, 147' wide
- **Power availability:** Standard power outlets available throughout ship. Will often need extension cords due to large scale of ship. We have three mobile transformers for higher power needs. One has Cam Lock Connectors with 440V output. Two Transformers have twelve 15-amp outlets. The main breaker is 120V with a 100 AMP max.
- **Access points for equipment:** We have a crane, a scissor lift, forklift and three stairway/ramps to get equipment on and off the ship.
- **Parking/staging areas:** We have 200+ free parking spaces next to and in front of the ship, including space to park vehicles overnight. Our parking lot has an additional gate that is closed every evening.
- **Dressing rooms/green rooms:** The ship has dozens of extra rooms and breakout areas.

Production Services:

- **Contact:** events@uss-hornet.org
- **Insurance Requirements:** We require a Certificate of Insurance naming the "Aircraft Carrier Hornet Foundation" as additional insured for \$2,000,000, which is due two (2) weeks before the filming. This can usually be obtained for a nominal fee from your company's insurance or private insurance company.
- **Permitting process:** Through the [City of Alameda](#)
- **Available amenities:** Restrooms, tables and chairs, breakout rooms, etc.
- **Security consideration:** The ship is self-contained with closable exits so security is easy to manage.
- Catering options: [Preferred Vendors – USS Hornet Museum](#)

Photo Gallery





