



News Release

UPS TO RECEIVE GLOBAL TRADE AND COMMUNICATIONS AWARD AT INAUGURAL FREEDOM OF THE SEAS AWARDS GALA

SAN PEDRO, Calif., Oct. 04, 2021 – The [National Museum of the Surface Navy at the Battleship IOWA](#), the museum for America’s Surface Navy located aboard the historic Battleship USS Iowa Museum, today announced [UPS](#) (NYSE: UPS), one of the world’s largest package delivery companies and provider of a broad range of integrated logistics solutions for customers in more than 220 countries and territories, will be honored with the Global Trade and Communications Award at the inaugural [Freedom of the Seas Awards Gala](#) on Saturday, October 23, 2021.

Presented to UPS for the heroic service provided by the company and its employees during the COVID-19 pandemic, the Global Trade and Communications Award recognizes leaders in commercial shipping and communications that embody a core principle of the Surface Navy in utilizing the ocean for the benefit of the free world. UPS has delivered more than half a billion COVID-19 vaccines to communities around the globe, in addition to personal protective equipment, ultra-low-temperature freezers, oxygen concentrators and ventilators. UPS Healthcare’s specialized logistics services helped a laboratory accelerate the processing of COVID-19 diagnostic tests from 20 to 9,300 tests per day, and The UPS Foundation has committed more than \$20 million in funding and in-kind aid to advance pandemic response and recovery efforts.

“The incredible impact that UPS and its global team of employees have had in their dedicated and unwavering response in the fight against the pandemic cannot be understated,” explained retired Navy Rear Admiral Mike Shatynski, Chairman of the Board of the National Museum of the Surface Navy. “The engagement of the collective capabilities, equipment, personnel, and resources of UPS during the rapidly evolving and changing health crisis, undoubtedly saved countless lives and truly embodies the spirit of this award.”

Attendance at the annual Freedom of the Seas Awards is by invitation only. For information on sponsorship opportunities, contact Joleen Deatherage, Vice President of Development, at jdeatherage@labattleship.com.

About the Freedom of the Seas Awards

The Freedom of the Seas Awards is the premiere annual event of the National Museum of the Surface Navy at the Battleship IOWA. The event is held in honor of the anniversary of the Battle of Leyte Gulf, the largest naval battle in the history of the world, which occurred during World War II. The Awards honors those that embody the core principles of the American Surface Navy's mission to protect and defend our oceans for the benefit of the free world.

About the National Museum of the Surface Navy

Scheduled to open in 2025 aboard the historic Battleship USS Iowa Museum, the National Museum of the Surface Navy is the museum for America's Surface Navy. The museum's mission is to raise America's awareness of the importance of the United States Surface Naval Forces' role in international relations, free trade, humanitarian assistance, and technological innovation, not just in the past but today and into the future.

Located in the Port of Los Angeles in San Pedro, Calif., Battleship USS Iowa Museum is one of the top five museums and attractions in Los Angeles, bringing the ship's history to life through in-person and virtual tours and educational programs for youth. In addition to providing a natural platform for veterans and patriotic civilians to come together as a community, Battleship USS Iowa Museum provides a wide array of impactful programs and resources that support the critical needs of our military and veterans.

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