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Honor Flight San Diego partners with Normandy Jump 2019 *Upcoming event will raise funds needed for October flight*

SAN DIEGO – On Saturday, Aug. 17 and Sunday, Aug. 18, Honor Flight San Diego will screen the first of three documentaries in the Normandy Jump 2019 series before it is released to the public later this year. All three documentaries will feature local Coronado native WWII paratrooper Tom Rice who was attached to the U.S. Army's 101st Airborne Division when he parachuted behind enemy lines on June 6, 1944. At 97 years old, Tom received International recognition when he parachuted into Normandy in June 2019 to commemorate the 75th anniversary of D-Day.

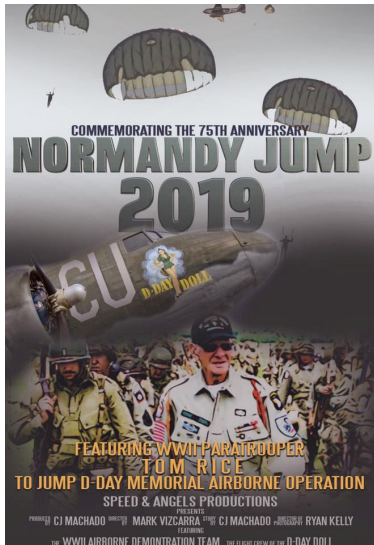
The screening will take place at the Village Theater in Coronado. Tickets are on sale and there are three levels each with varying benefits including an opportunity for a VIP meet and greet with Tom. Attendees can also purchase a limited edition program autographed by Tom which can be personalized at the event. There will also be a C-47 replica door like the one Tom jumped through on June 6, 1944 and attendees will be able to take pictures with it.



Tickets are limited and must be purchased in advance. They can be purchased at: <https://normandyjump2019saturdayshow.eventbrite.com> or <https://normandyjump2019sundayshow.eventbrite.com>

The event is a fundraiser for Honor Flight San Diego to help get WWII and Korea War veterans on the fall 2019 trip to Washington, D.C. at no cost to them. The organization has over 100 San Diego County veterans waiting to go on the flight and due to lack of funding will not be able to take the 80 veterans like past flights. (More)

The “Tour of Honor” flight is a three-day, all expenses paid trip for the veterans to visit to the memorials built for their service and sacrifice. The trip ends with a welcome home at the San Diego International Airport with hundreds of people giving them the homecoming they may not have received when they returned from WWII or the Korea War. The trip is completely funded by donations as the organization receives no government funding.



Tom went on his “Tour of Honor” in 2012 and a story in the limited edition program details how Honor Flight San Diego changed his life. There is also a story by the film’s producer documenting the historic trip back to Normandy.

If viewers cannot attend the fundraiser but would like to help support Honor Flight San Diego, they can pre-order the Normandy Jump 2019 DVD using the code “Honor Flight” at checkout and the organization will receive \$5 for every pre-order.

To order the DVD or to watch a trailer from the documentary, go to:

www.normandyjump2019.com.

For more information about Honor Flight San Diego or to donate to the organization, please visit:

www.honorflightsandiego.org.

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About Honor Flight San Diego:

Honor Flight San Diego (HFSD) is a 501(c)3, nonprofit organization dedicated to escorting San Diego area Veterans to Washington, D.C. to visit and reflect at the memorials dedicated to their service and sacrifice. HFSD is a branch of the nationwide Honor Flight Network which consists of over 130 independent “hubs” across America. Veterans fly free thanks to the monies donated by individuals, foundations, associations, business owners, and corporations who wish to recognize our veterans’ contributions and thank them for their service and sacrifice to the United States and its citizens. More information about Honor Flight San Diego can be found at www.honorflightsandiego.org, or follow us on Facebook (facebook.com/honorflightsandiego) or Twitter [@HFSanDiego](https://twitter.com/HFSanDiego).