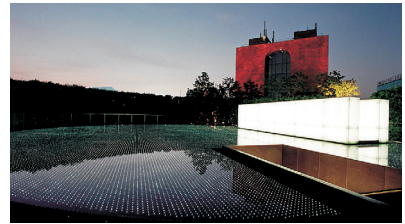




Upper level (entrance)



Nagasaki National Peace Memorial Hall for the Atomic Bomb Victims is a facility for mourning victims of the bombing and commemorating peace. You will find portraits of the deceased and personal memoirs here, as well as other materials related to peace.



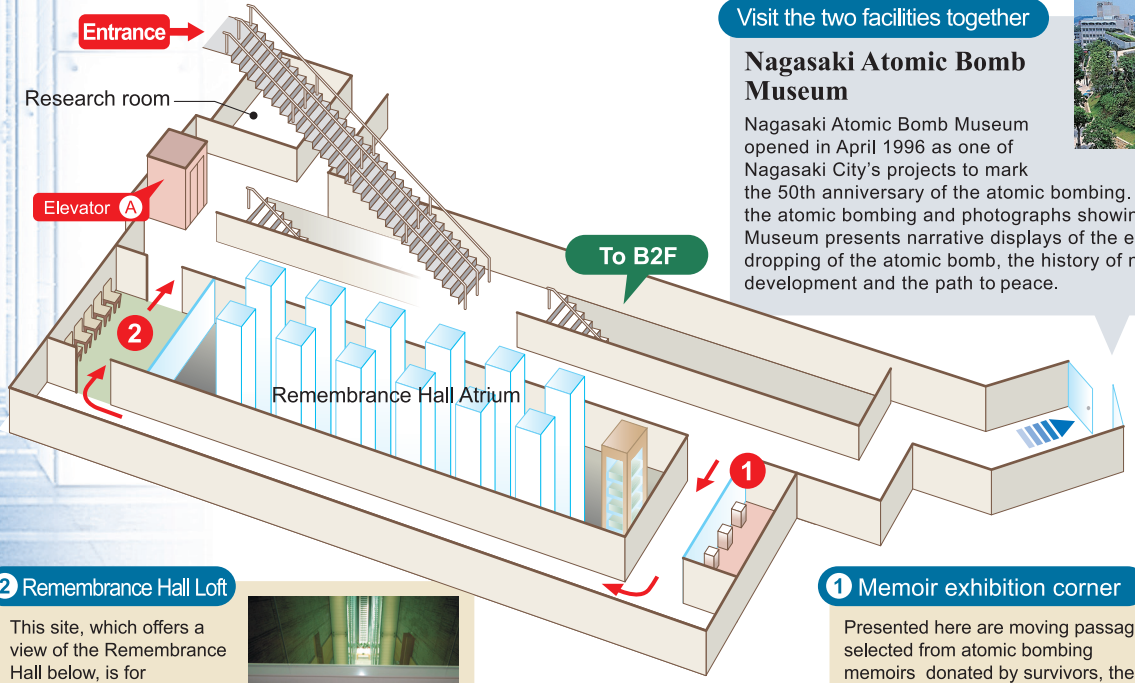
Long for Peace

B1F The short course

(level 1)

Time required: about 10 min.

If short of time, please take the Level 1 (B1) route. By visiting the Memoir Exhibition Corner and proceeding through the Remembrance Hall Loft, which overlooks the Remembrance Hall, you will be able to pay your tributes in a limited amount of time.



Visit the two facilities together

Nagasaki Atomic Bomb Museum

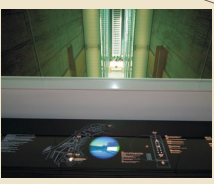
Nagasaki Atomic Bomb Museum opened in April 1996 as one of Nagasaki City's projects to mark the 50th anniversary of the atomic bombing. In addition to materials on the atomic bombing and photographs showing the devastation, the Museum presents narrative displays of the events leading up to the dropping of the atomic bomb, the history of nuclear weapons development and the path to peace.



To the Atomic Bomb Museum entrance

2 Remembrance Hall Loft

This site, which offers a view of the Remembrance Hall below, is for mourning the deceased and commemorating peace.



1 Memoir exhibition corner

Presented here are moving passages selected from atomic bombing memoirs donated by survivors, their families or others.



Nagasaki National Peace Memorial Hall for the Atomic Bomb Victims

B2F

(level 2)

Route for remembrance

Time required: about 30 min.

Proceed along the suggested route from the Information Desk on Level 2 (B2). In the Remembrance Hall you may mourn the atomic bomb victims and pray for peace. In the Library and the Peace Information Corner, you may obtain further information related to peace.

5 Peace Information Corner 2

Leave written messages and pictures behind on computers and cards.

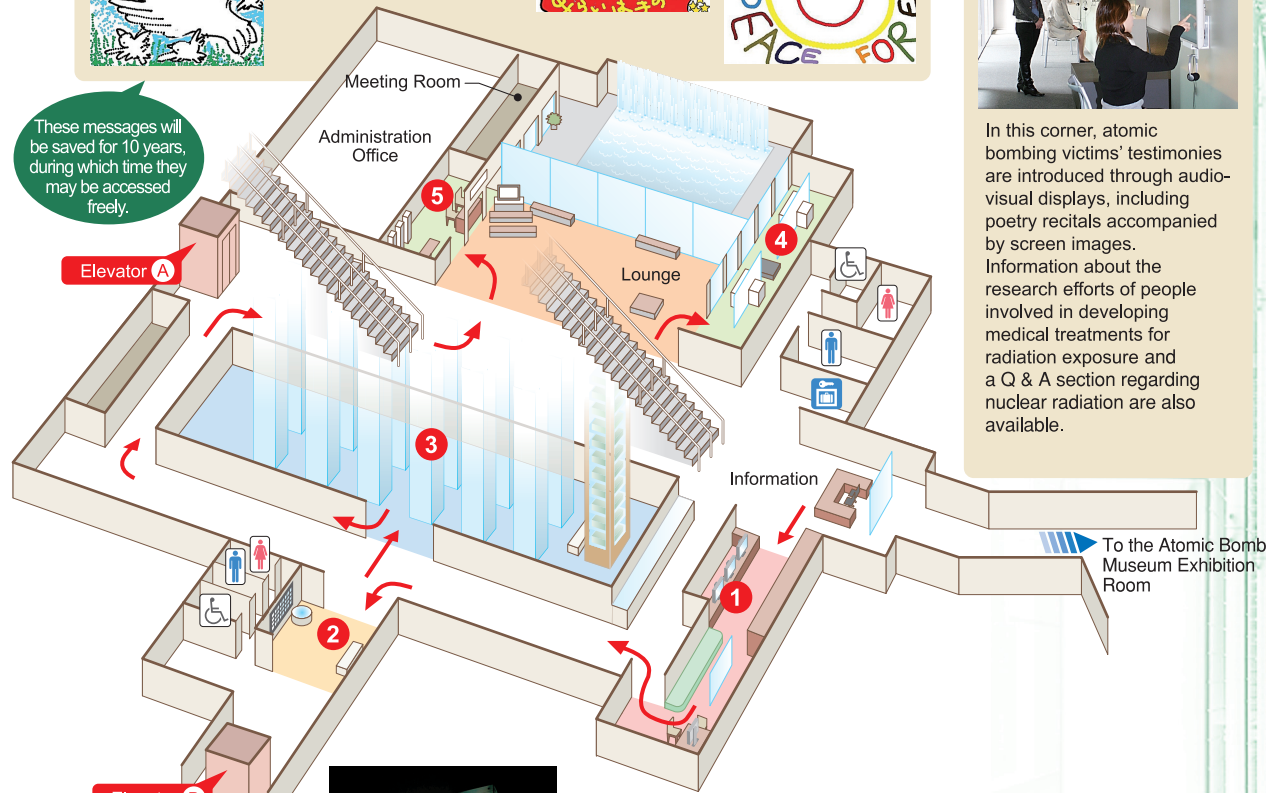


4 Peace Information Corner 1



In this corner, atomic bombing victims' testimonies are introduced through audio-visual displays, including poetry recitals accompanied by screen images. Information about the research efforts of people involved in developing medical treatments for radiation exposure and a Q & A section regarding nuclear radiation are also available.

These messages will be saved for 10 years, during which time they may be accessed freely.



3 Remembrance Hall

This is the place to mourn all those who perished in the atomic bombings and pray for everlasting peace. On the registry shelf at the front, a list of names of atomic bomb victims is kept. When standing in front of the shelf you will be facing the hypocenter of the atomic bombing.



2 Remembrance Hall Anteroom



Relax your mind here before entering the Remembrance Hall.

1 Library



Search through the various materials stored in personal computers, including portraits of the deceased, personal memoirs, and audio-visual testimonials.

B2F

level 2

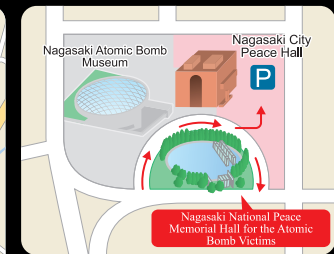
Route for remembrance

about 30 min.

The atomic bomb that exploded over Nagasaki at 11:02 a.m. on August 9, 1945 instantaneously reduced the city to ruins and took many precious lives. Even the people who managed to survive were left with indelible mental and physical scars and with disorders due to radiation. We recognize the gravity of these sacrifices and hardships and offer heartfelt tribute to the memory of the deceased. We vow to convey the reality of the atomic bomb damages to people both in Japan and abroad, to inform future generations, to learn from history and to build a peaceful world free from nuclear weapons.

On the upper level of the facility is a sculpted basin which holds the water that the atomic bomb victims so desperately desired. At night, about 70,000 optical fibers light up in mourning.

* This figure is the estimated number of atomic bomb victims up until the end of December 1945.



Nagasaki National Peace Memorial Hall for the Atomic Bomb Victims

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Open
May to August 8:30 - 18:30
August 7-9 8:30 - 20:00
September to April 8:30 - 17:30

Closed December 29 - 31
Admission Free

[From JR Nagasaki Station]
By streetcar ... Take a streetcar (route 1 or 3) for Akasako and get off at Atomic Bomb Museum stop; from there the Hall is about 4 minutes on foot.
By bus ... Take a bus for Nimeshi, Togitsu or Menoto, and get off at Atomic Bomb Museum stop; from there the Hall is about 4 minutes on foot.

[From Nagasaki Airport]
By Nagasaki Airport Imousine bus ... Take a Imousine bus for Nagasaki Station and get off at Peace Park stop; from there the Hall is about 5 minutes on foot.

Wheelchairs and baby strollers are available for use free of charge. Please ask the staff at the Information Desk.