

National Parks celebrate shipbuilding Women of the Navy this weekend

The National Parks of Boston will celebrate the role of women workers at the Charlestown Navy Yard during World War II with a ceremony, walking tour, and

special exhibit on Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 3.

During World War II over 8,000 women worked in Boston Naval Shipyard. They were weld-

ers, clerks, painters, electrician and machinist helpers. You name it, they did it! This Labor Day take a moment to say thank you to all of the "Rosie the Riveters"

who worked hard to help win World War II.

Monday's activities include:

- 1 p.m., Ring a Bell for Rosie Ceremony - A very short ceremony will take place on board the USS Cassin Young, docked at Pier 1. This ceremony is one of many taking place simultaneously across the country.

- 1:15 p.m., "Rosie's Navy Yard" walking tour - Immediately after the ceremony there will be a walking tour of "Rosie's Navy Yard." Tour is 45 minutes.

- "SWONs: Shipbuilding Women of the Navy" temporary exhibit - Come learn about many of the women who built ships for the Navy during World War II. Take a moment to strike your best "We Can Do It!" pose and take a selfie. The Charlestown Navy Yard Visitor Center is open 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. daily.

- USS Cassin Young Destroyer USS Cassin Young was built in San Pedro, CA in 1943, 75 years ago. Fourteen Fletcher Class Destroyers just like her were built here in Boston Naval Shipyard.

Main deck is open daily 10



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a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Guided Tours daily 11 a.m., 2 and 3 p.m.

All events are free and open to the public and are presented in conjunction with the American Rosie Movement and Thanks! Plain and Simple, Inc. For more information call 617-242-5601.