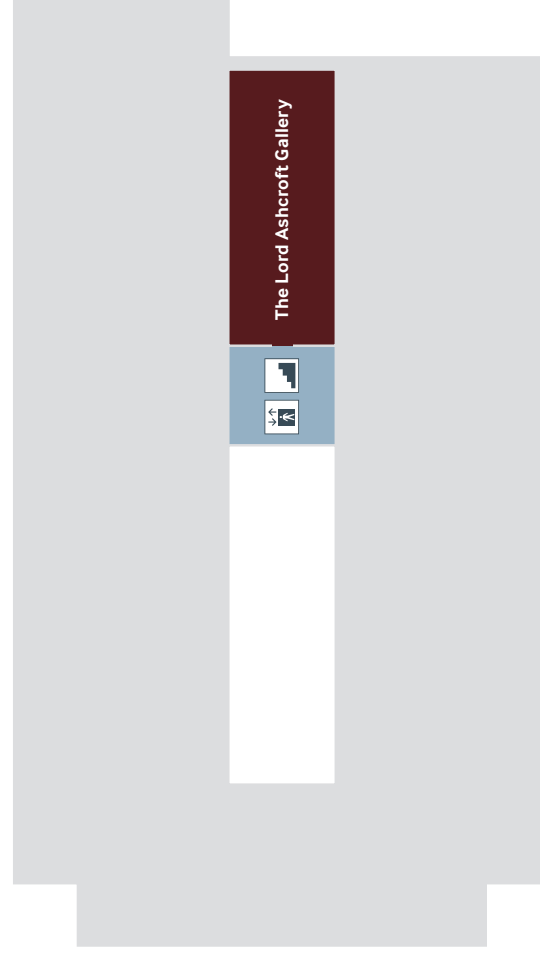


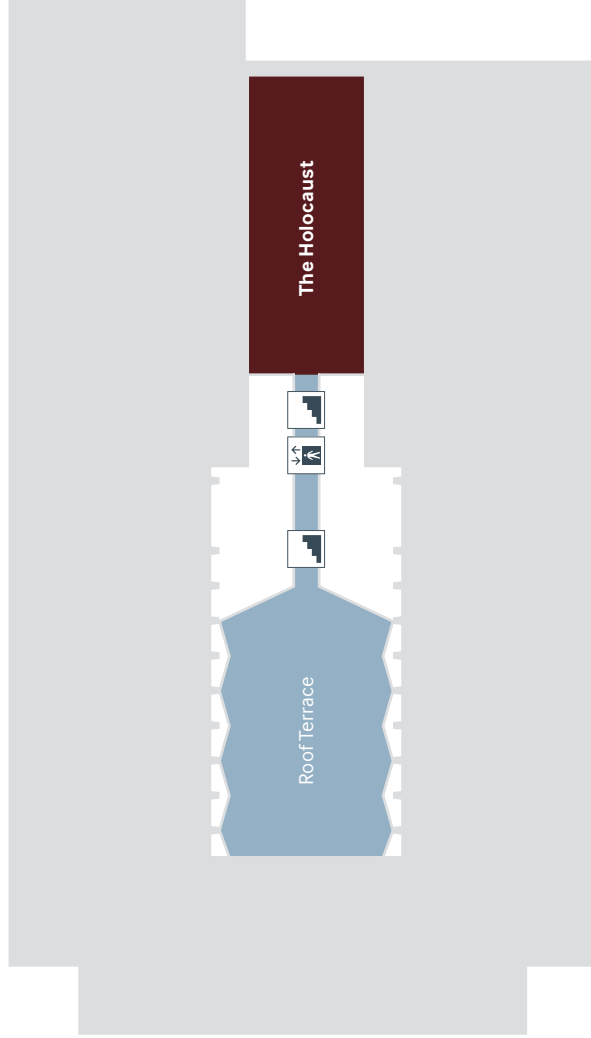
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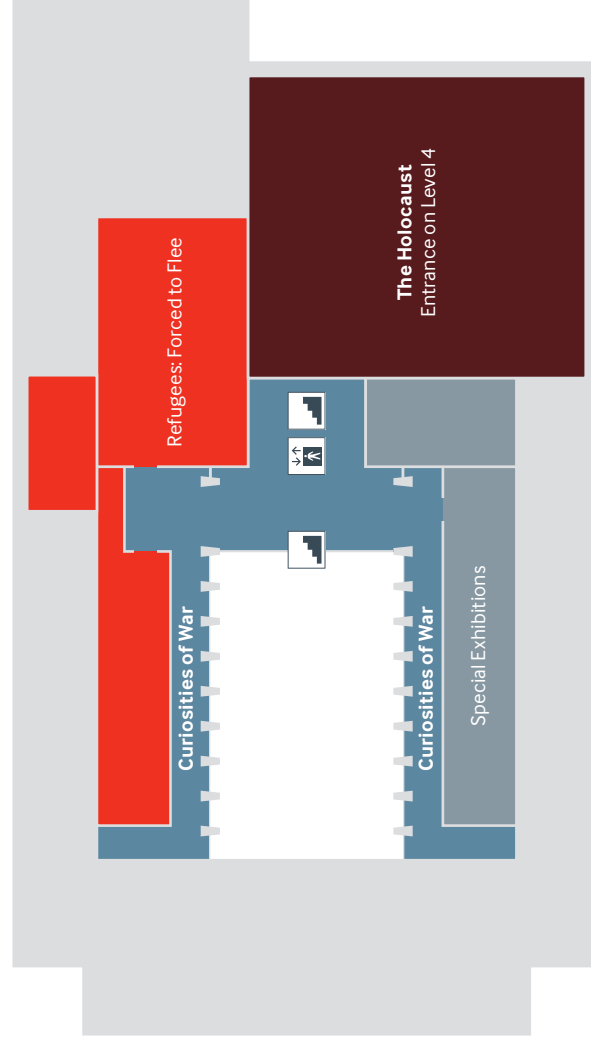
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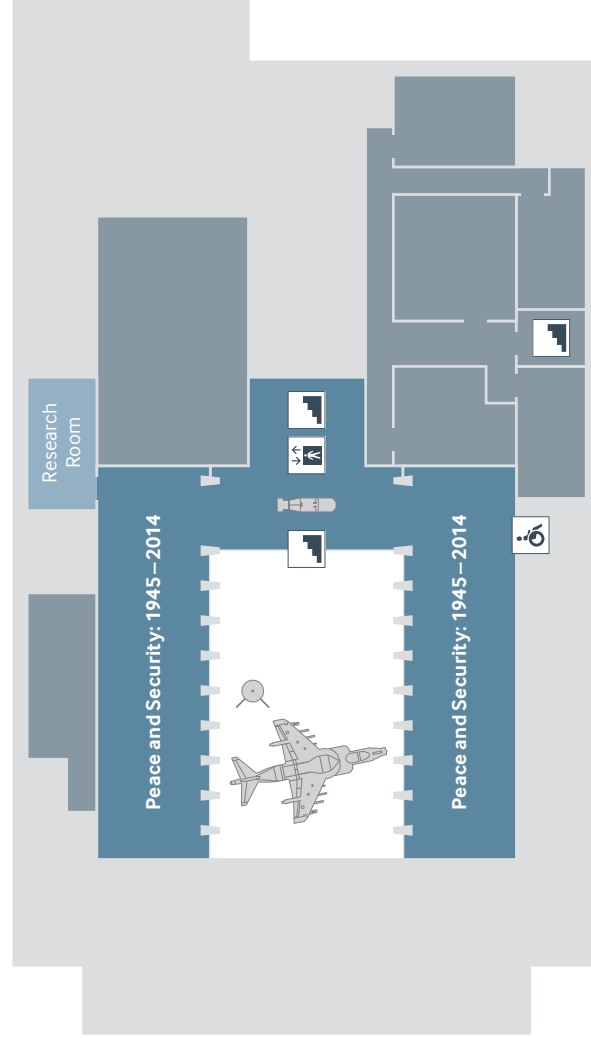
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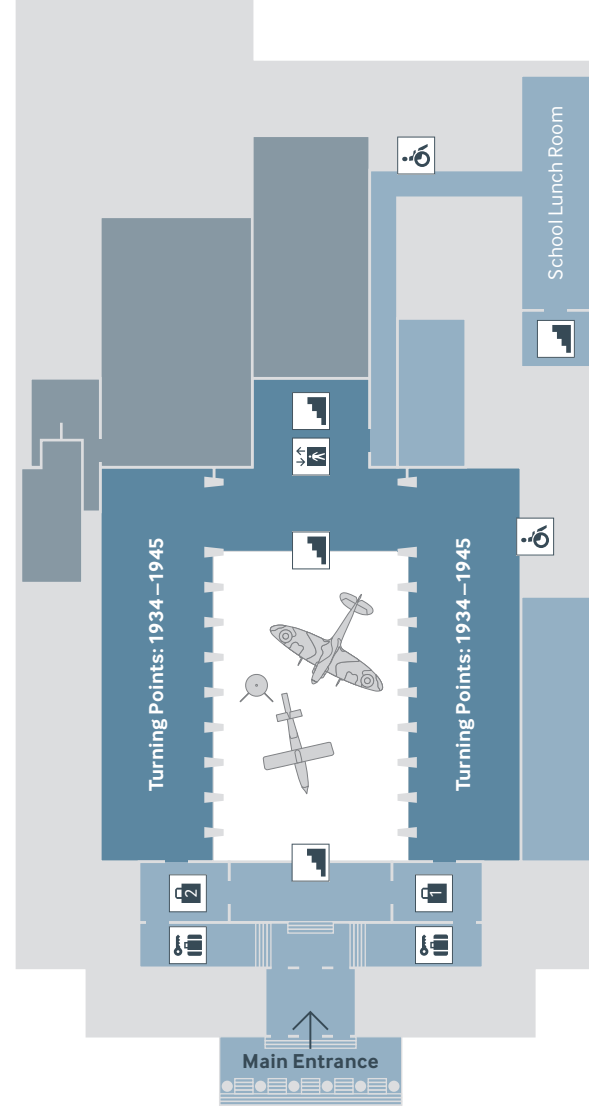
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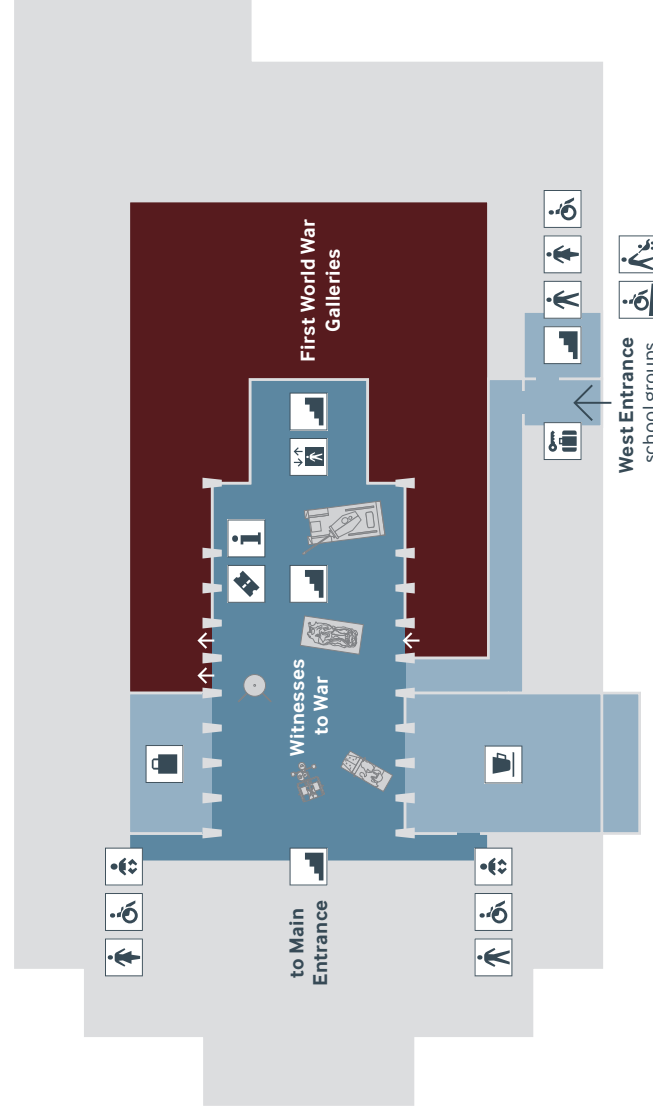
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We have told the stories of conflict for over a century. Since 1917, people have entrusted us with their personal accounts of war, in the knowledge that we will continue to share them with future generations. Over 100 years later, Imperial War Museums now has a century of stories to tell.

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Events Programme

We run a programme of events throughout the year, linked to our exhibitions and collections. Information about what's on today can be found on our digital screens located on Levels 0–3.

TOURS AT IWM LONDON

Public Tours run daily at IWM London, including: **From Bedlam to Baghdad: An Introduction to IWM London** and **From Empire to Armistice: A Tour of the First World War Galleries**. Plus, on selected dates: **The Holocaust Gallery Tour** and **Extraordinary Heroes: The Lord Ashcroft Gallery Tour**.

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First World War

First World War Galleries
Permanent Exhibition, Level 0



The Gallipoli Campaign, April 1915-January 1916 © IWM (Q 13219)

Discover the story of the First World War through the eyes of the British people and the Empire, both on the home front and the fighting fronts. On display are objects from IWM's collections including weapons, uniforms, diaries, keepsakes, film and art.

See how the war started, why it continued, how the Allies won and its impact on people's lives across the globe. Walk through a recreated trench with a Sopwith Camel plane swooping low overhead as a Mark V Tank looms above you.

Second World War

Turning Points 1934–1945
Permanent Exhibition, Level 2



Women welders making strip pump handles during the Second World War © IWM (D3589)

Explore key moments of the Second World War through people's lives and the objects on display. Discover the role of strategic bombing and the fighting fronts in Russia and Africa, through to the D-Day landings.

The Holocaust

Permanent Exhibition, Level 4



This award-winning exhibition traces the Nazi persecution and murder of Jewish people in Europe from 1933 to 1945. Learn how the political climate enabled Hitler to rise to power and how his ideas spread throughout Europe, ultimately affecting people all around the world.

Photographs, diaries, toys and film tell the stories of the people who lived through the Holocaust. Testimonies from survivors bring a moving perspective to these objects while a model of Auschwitz-Birkenau demonstrates the extent of events that occurred.

History Makers

Witnesses to War
Permanent Exhibition, Level 0



© IWM, IWM London V2 and Spitfire in action

Witnesses to War presents nine important objects from our collection spanning over a century, highlighting IWM's role to tell the stories of conflict. This dramatic display features a Harrier jet and Spitfire plane, suspended above a V2 rocket. Also on display is a T-34 tank and a 13-Pounder Gun from the First World War which became a memorial for the men who fought with it. Joining them is a Reuters Land Rover damaged by a rocket attack in Gaza.

Coming soon...
REFUGEES: FORCED TO FLEE
From 2 April 2020

The exhibition *Refugees: Forced to Flee* will explore how and why conflict has forced people to leave their homes and seek to build new lives elsewhere.

Contemporary stories, cutting-edge research and newly commissioned artworks will provide contrast to objects, film and photography from IWM's collection to reveal touching and fascinating personal stories of refugees and displaced people.

Peace and Security: 1945–2014
Permanent Exhibition, Level 2



Sudan Hussein mural detail © IWM

From Britain and Europe after the Second World War through to the Cold War and the attack on the World Trade Center in 2001, *Peace and Security* reveals how conflicts have been fought and communities divided in places such as Kosovo, Iraq and Afghanistan from 1945 to the present day.

Curiosities of War

Permanent Exhibition, Level 3



See some of the more unexpected objects from our collections. Items on display range from a section of the bar where the Dambusters crew used to drink through to a sofa which troops in Afghanistan made out of HESCO bastion fencing.

The Lord Ashcroft Gallery: Extraordinary Heroes
Permanent Exhibition, Level 5



This display houses the world's largest collection of Victoria Crosses, alongside a significant collection of George Crosses, telling the extraordinary stories of the people who have been awarded these medals.

Accompanying the stories of those awarded the medals is artwork, film and photography exploring the concept of bravery and what motivates people to undertake acts of heroism.

TRANSFORMING IWM LONDON

We're building new Second World War Galleries and Holocaust Galleries, ready to open to the public in 2021. We're currently beaver away behind the scenes, building the spaces, installing set-works and writing gallery text.

For more information or to find out how you can support this project please visit iwm.org.uk/support-us/donations



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