

# WHERE TEXAS BECAME TEXAS

WASHINGTON ON THE BRAZOS

TEXAS  
HISTORICAL  
COMMISSION  
REAL PLACES TELLING REAL STORIES

## CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Donor  
Recognition  
Opportunities

*As of 06/05/2025*



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The Washington on the Brazos Historical Foundation thanks the Texas Historical Commission for approving these recognition opportunities and for your tremendous leadership in our great State.

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## **Summary of Leadership Level Recognition Opportunities**

*Select images can be found on the following individual pages.*

### **Star of the Republic Museum**

Family Gallery	\$1,000,000	
Dawn of the Republic Gallery	\$ 500,000	<i>Reserved</i>
Before the Republic Gallery	\$ 500,000	
Independence Gallery	\$ 500,000	
Conflict and Struggle Gallery	\$ 500,000	<i>Reserved</i>
Life in the Republic Gallery	\$ 500,000	
Annexation and Legacy of the Republic Gallery	\$ 500,000	<i>Reserved</i>
What Became of Washington? Gallery	\$ 500,000	

### **Visitor Center**

Visitor Center Building	\$2,500,000	<i>Reserved</i>
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### **Conference and Education Center**

Conference Center Building*	\$1,000,000	
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### **Washington Townsite**

Washington Townsite Wayside	\$2,500,000	<i>Reserved</i>
Independence Hall	\$1,000,000	<i>Reserved</i>
Full Building Reconstructions (6)	\$ 500,000	

*\* No image at this time.*

Donor Recognition Opportunities

# **LEADERSHIP LEVEL \$500K+**



# VISITOR CENTER BUILDING



***Reserved***  
***By Chairman John L. Nau, III.***



# WASHINGTON TOWNSITE



***Reserved***  
***For Senator Lois W. Kolkhorst***



# INDEPENDENCE HALL



*Existing structure.*

***Reserved***  
***By the Joan and Herb Kelleher  
Charitable Foundation***



# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Family Gallery



\$1,000,000

# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Dawn of the Republic Gallery



**Reserved**  
By Blue Bell Creameries



# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Before the Republic Gallery



\$500,000

# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Independence Gallery



\$500,000



# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Conflict and Struggle Gallery

"The people of Texas do now constitute a free,  
Sovereign, and independent republic,  
and are fully invested with all the rights  
and attributes which properly belong  
to independent nations..."

TEXAS DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE



**Reserved**  
By the Showers-Brown Family

# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Life in the Republic Gallery



\$500,000



# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Annexation and Legacy of the Republic Gallery



***Reserved***  
By the Gus F. Mutscher Family

# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## What Became of Washington? Gallery



\$500,000



# WASHINGTON TOWNSITE

## Full Building Reconstructions

### **Six Opportunities Available**

Hatfield's Exchange  
Hall & Lotts Tavern  
Heath's Carpentry Shop  
Rucker's Drug Store  
President Houston's Office  
Morris Family Dwelling



**\$500,000 each**

## **Summary of \$100K - \$250K Recognition Opportunities**

*Select images can be found on the following individual pages.*

### **Star of the Republic Museum**

"Dawn of the Republic" Orientation Film	\$ 250,000	<i>Reserved</i>
Timeline of the Revolution Exhibit	\$ 250,000	
Convention of 1836	\$ 250,000	
Republic-era Lone Star Flag	\$ 250,000	
Level Two Full Gallery Mural	\$ 250,000	
Family Gallery Interactive Exhibit Zones (2)*	\$ 100,000	
Various Exhibits & Experiences (18)	\$ 100,000	<i>8 of 18 are Reserved</i>

### **Visitor Center**

Central Media Experience	\$ 250,000	<i>Reserved</i>
Gift Shop*	\$ 250,000	

### **Conference and Education Center**

Main Conference Hall	\$ 250,000	<i>Reserved</i>
The Overlook Room*	\$ 100,000	

### **Washington Townsite**

Partial Building Reconstructions (3)	\$ 250,000	
Building Cover Reconstructions (2)	\$ 100,000	

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Donor Recognition Opportunities

# **GIFTS BETWEEN \$100K-\$250K**



# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

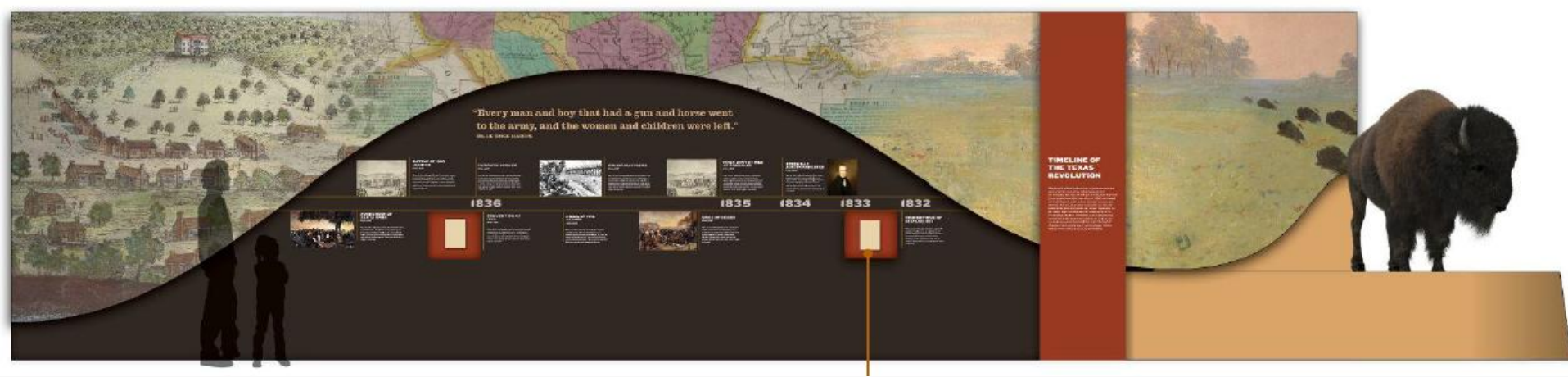
## "Dawn of the Republic" Orientation Film



***Reserved***  
***By the Summerlee Foundation***

# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Independence Gallery



Timeline of the Revolution Exhibit \$250,000



# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Independence Gallery



**Naming Opportunities**  
Convention of 1836 - \$250,000

# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Conflict and Struggle Gallery

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**Naming Opportunities**

Republic-era Lone Star Flag - \$250,000



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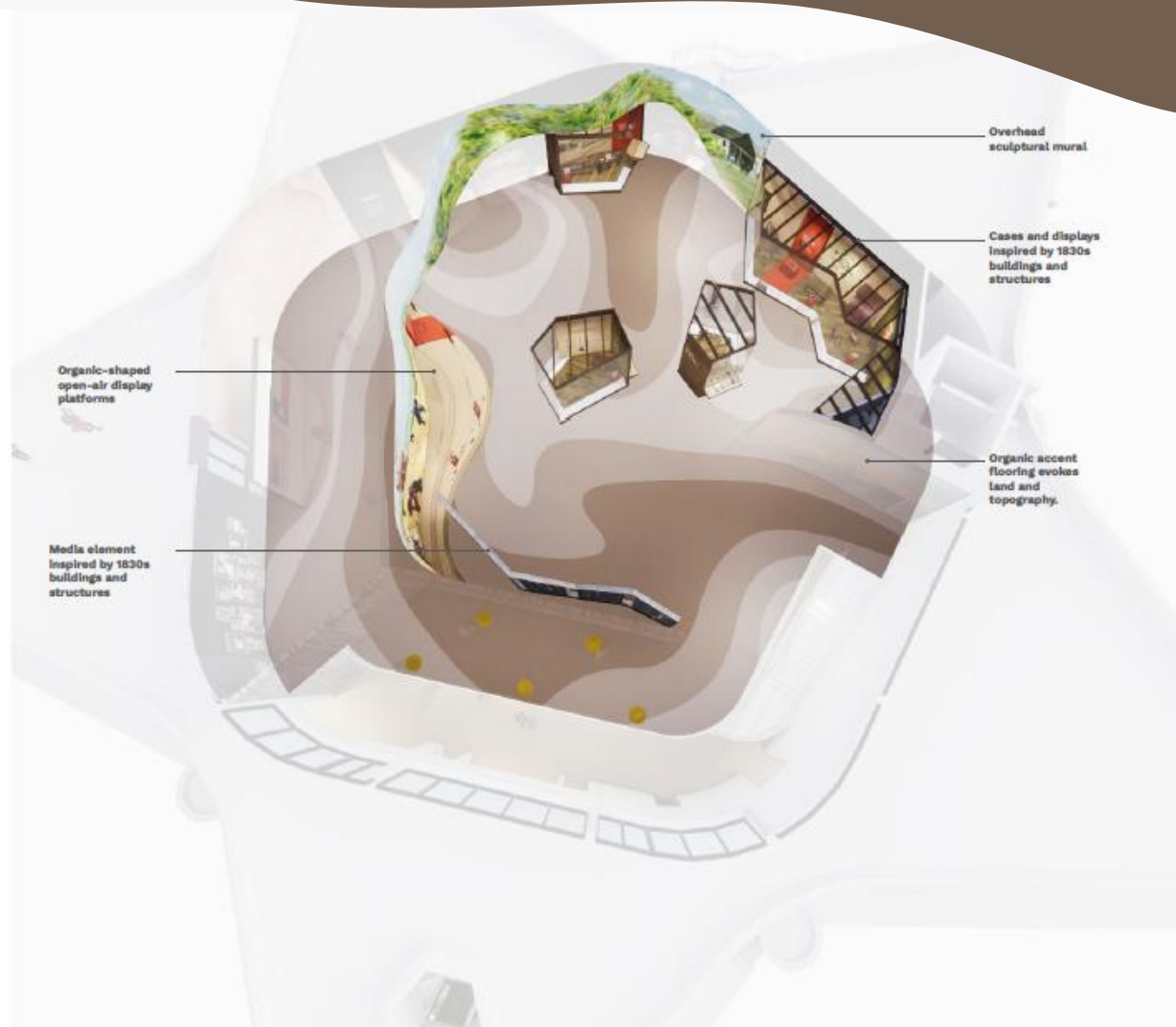
## Level Two: Full Gallery Mural

### Organizing Visual Theme

#### Path Through History

Overhead murals and organic-shaped platforms mirror the style of the accent flooring below and further extend the feeling of Texas' expansive landscape and sky.

Construction style of casework, displays, and media elements are inspired by buildings and structures found in Texas in 1830s and 40s.



\$250,000

# VISITOR CENTER

## Central Media Experience



***Reserved***  
***By The Hasskarl Family***



# CONFERENCE and EDUCATION CENTER

## Main Conference Hall



***Reserved***  
***By the Hoblitzelle Foundation***

# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Long Road to Independence Mural



Mural wraps  
onto theater wall

Floor intro  
title/text

Scenic  
mural

\$100,000



# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Before the Republic Gallery



### Naming Opportunities

The Land Mural - \$100,000

Spanish Rule & Mexican Independence Exhibit - \$100,000

# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Before the Republic Gallery



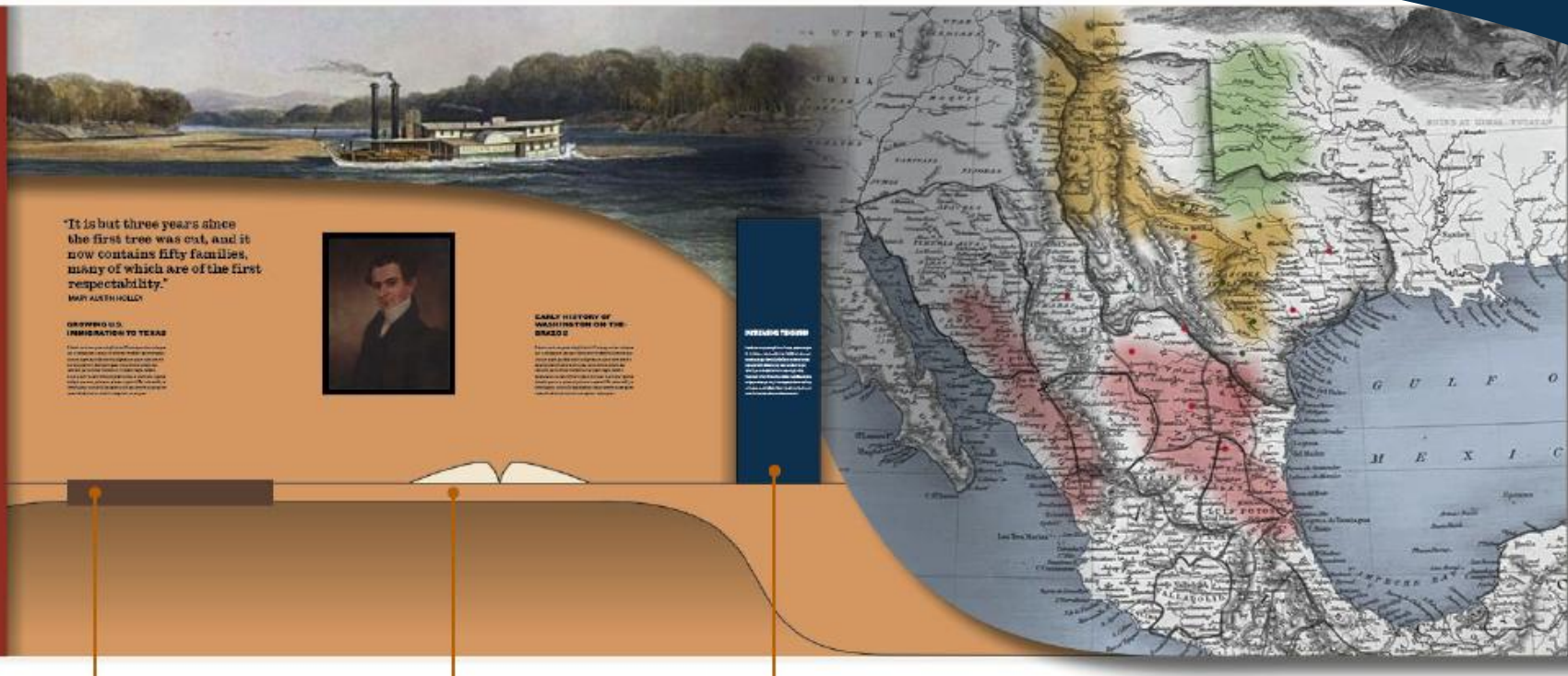
### Naming Opportunities

Indigenous Inhabitants Exhibit – Reserved by Mary and David Wolff & Family



# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Before the Republic Gallery



## Naming Opportunities

Arrival of New Immigrants Exhibit - \$100,000

# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Independence Gallery



### Naming Opportunities

Causes of the Revolution Exhibit – Reserved by the Lois and Jim Kolkhorst Family Foundation





# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Conflict and Struggle Gallery

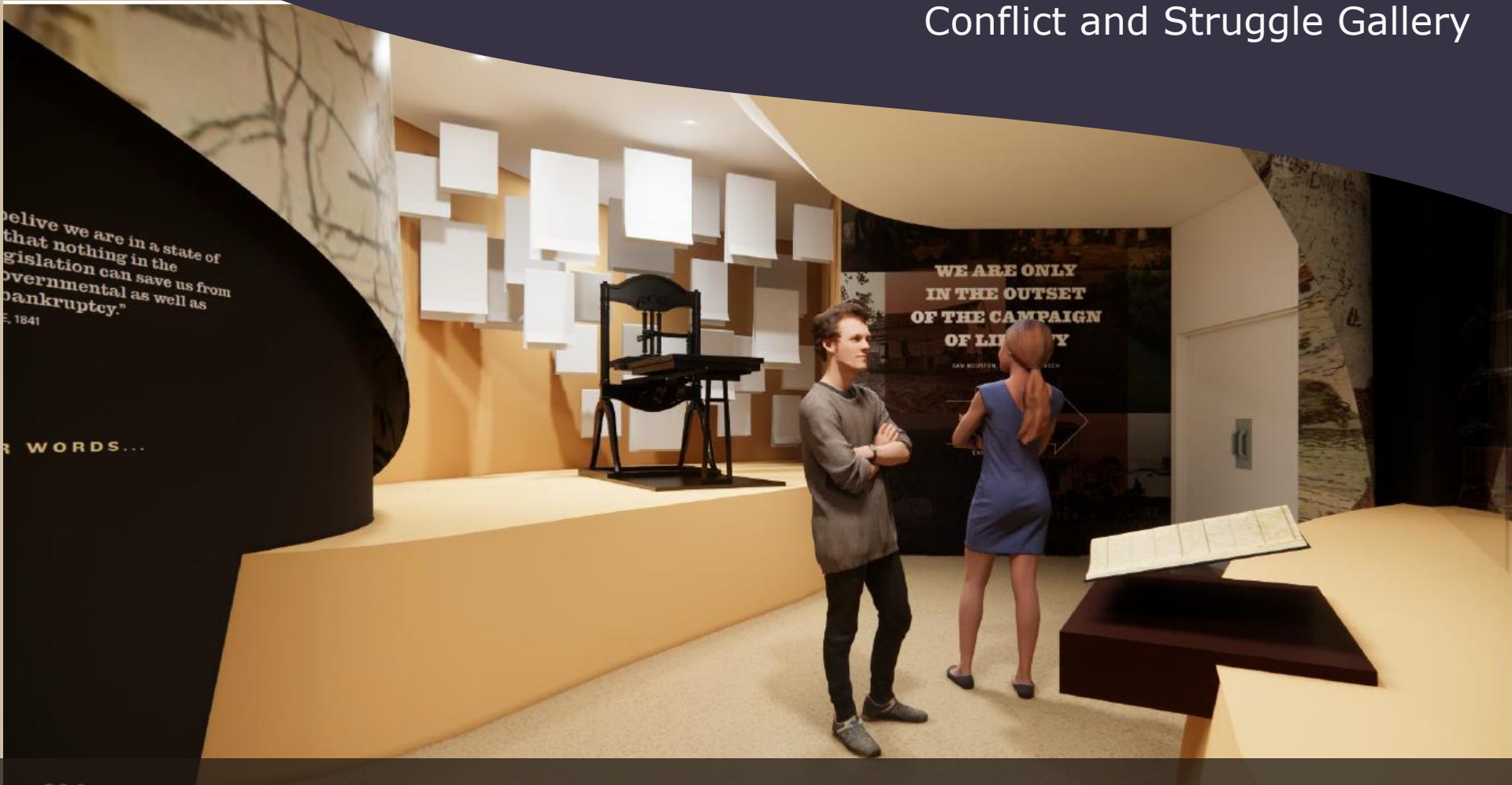


**Naming Opportunities**  
External Relations & Internal Politics Exhibit - \$100,000



# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Conflict and Struggle Gallery



### Naming Opportunities

News of the Republic Exhibit - \$100,000

Printing Press Interactive Exhibit – *Reserved by Cindy and Mike Brannon*

# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Life in the Republic Gallery



G&A

### Naming Opportunities

Home & Family Exhibit – *Reserved in honor of George and Magnolia Sealy*  
Society & Community Exhibit - \$100,000



# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Life in the Republic Gallery



### Naming Opportunities

Work & Economy Exhibit – *Reserved in honor of Peter James Willis*

Travel & Trade Exhibit - \$100,000

Government & Politics Exhibit - \$100,000

# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Annexation and Legacy of the Republic Gallery



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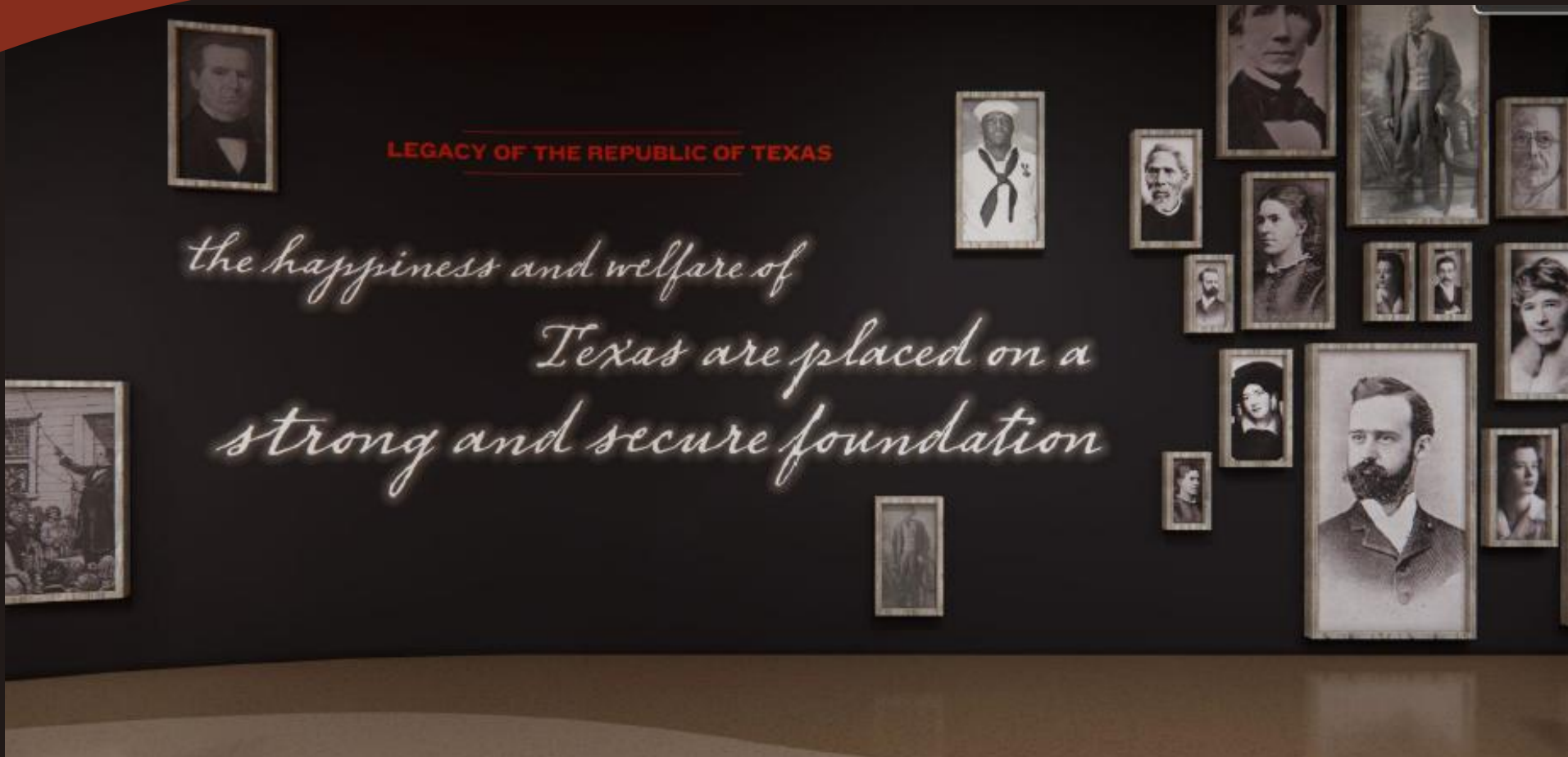
### **Naming Opportunities**

US + Texas Flag Display - \$100,000



# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Annexation and Legacy of the Republic Gallery



Anson Jones Speech – Reserved by Edward III, Charlotte, Douglas Smith

# WASHINGTON TOWNSITE

## Building Reconstructions



Partial Building Reconstructions (3) - \$250,000  
Building Cover Reconstructions (2) - \$100,000



**Summary of Recognition Opportunities under \$100K**

*Select images can be found on the following individual pages.*

**Star of the Republic Museum**

Various Exhibits & Experiences (14)	\$ 50,000	<i>7 of 14 are Reserved</i>
Various Exhibits & Experiences (11)	\$ 25,000	<i>4 of 11 are Reserved</i>

**Visitor Center**

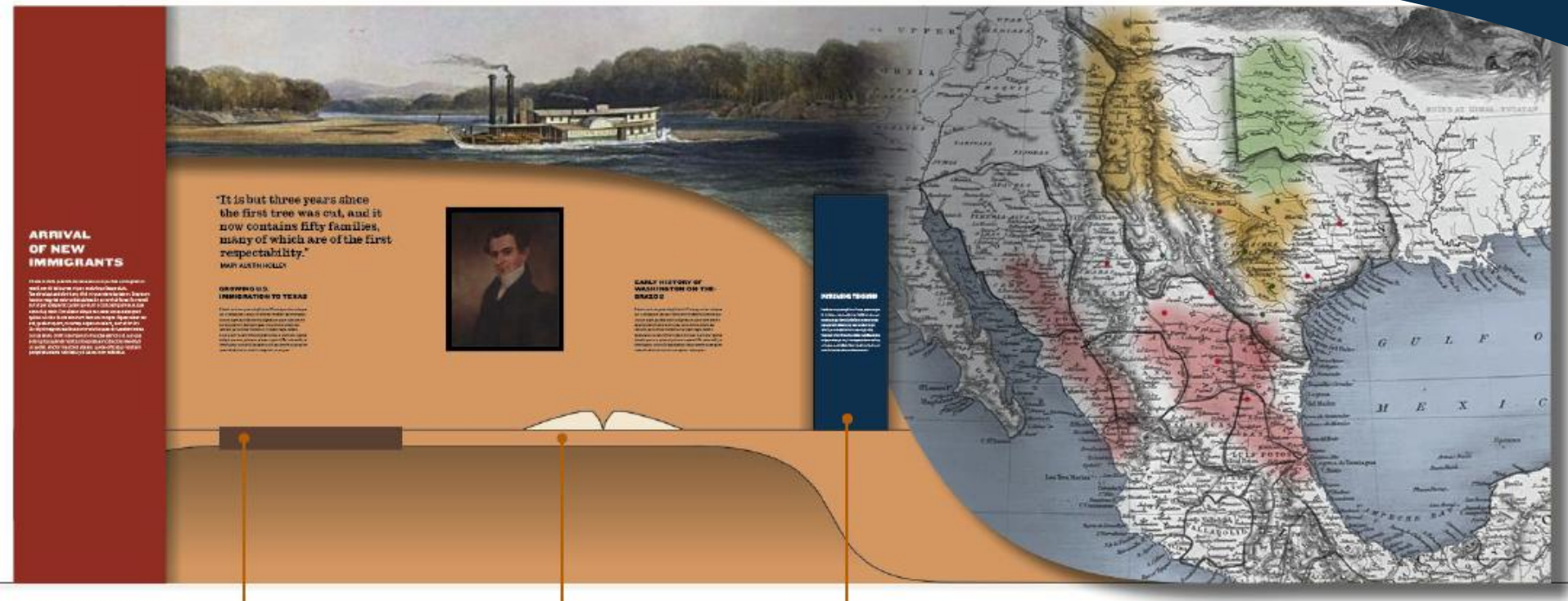
Barrington Plantation Display	\$ 50,000	<i>Reserved</i>
Star of the Republic Museum Display	\$ 50,000	<i>Reserved</i>
Townsite Exhibit Central Display	\$ 50,000	<i>Reserved</i>
Donor Wall	Gifts of \$10,000 or more are recognized on the Donor Wall	

Donor Recognition Opportunities

**GIFTS UNDER \$100K**

# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Before the Republic Gallery



## Naming Opportunities

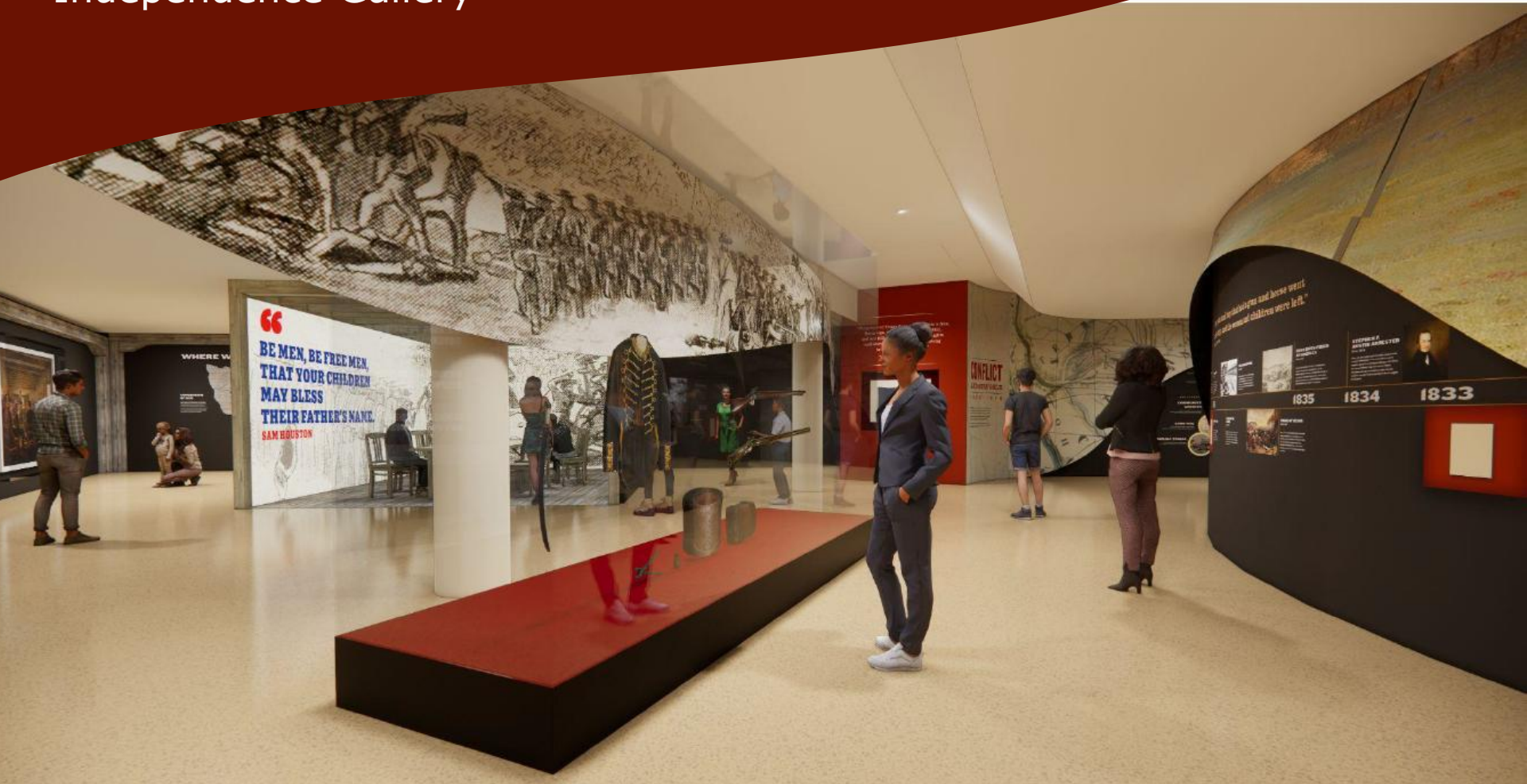
Growing Tensions Map - **Reserved by Sharon and Chip Bryan**

Various Individual Items: Documents - \$25,000, per item



# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Independence Gallery



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### Naming Opportunities

Weapons & Uniforms Exhibit – Reserved by the Summerfield G. Roberts Foundation

Various Artifacts and Objects - \$25,000, per item

# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Independence Gallery



### Naming Opportunities

Signer's Painting – *Reserved by the Fultz Family*

Where Were the Signers From? – *Reserved by the Descendants of the Signers*

Who Were the 59 Signers Exhibit – *Reserved by Evelyn Boatwright*



# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Independence Gallery



# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Conflict and Struggle Gallery

### PRESIDENTS & THEIR CAPITALS



## Naming Opportunities

Presidents & Their Capitals- *Reserved by Celia Baker Haley*



# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Life in the Republic Gallery



People of the Republic Video Credit – *Reserved by the Susan Vaughan Foundation*

# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Life in the Republic Gallery



### **Naming Opportunities**

Clothing Exhibit – \$50,000

What Were Homes Like? Exhibit - \$50,000



# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Life in the Republic Gallery



### Naming Opportunities

What Did People Eat? Exhibit - \$50,000

Augmented Reality Windows - \$25,000

# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Life in the Republic Gallery



### Naming Opportunities

How Did People Gather? Exhibit - \$25,000

Role of Religion Exhibit – *Reserved by Kathy and Clay Parker*



# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Life in the Republic Gallery



G&A

### **Naming Opportunities**

The Role of Slavery Exhibit - \$50,000

What Was Bought and Sold? Exhibit - \$50,000

Tactile Tool Display- \$25,000

What Was Farm Life Like? Exhibit – *Reserved by Jim Ellison*

# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Annexation and Legacy of the Republic Gallery



Portraits of Texas - \$50,000  
Add Your Portrait - \$25,000



# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Life in the Republic Gallery



## Naming Opportunities

Health in the Republic Exhibit – *Reserved by Cathleen and Bob Davis*

# STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

## Life in the Republic Gallery



## Naming Opportunities

How Did People and News Travel - \$50,000

Market Cart Experience – *Reserved by the Albert & Ethel Herzstein Charitable Foundation*



# VISITOR CENTER

## Perimeter Galleries



Barrington Plantation Display- Reserved by the George & Anne Butler Foundation





# VISITOR CENTER

## Perimeter Galleries

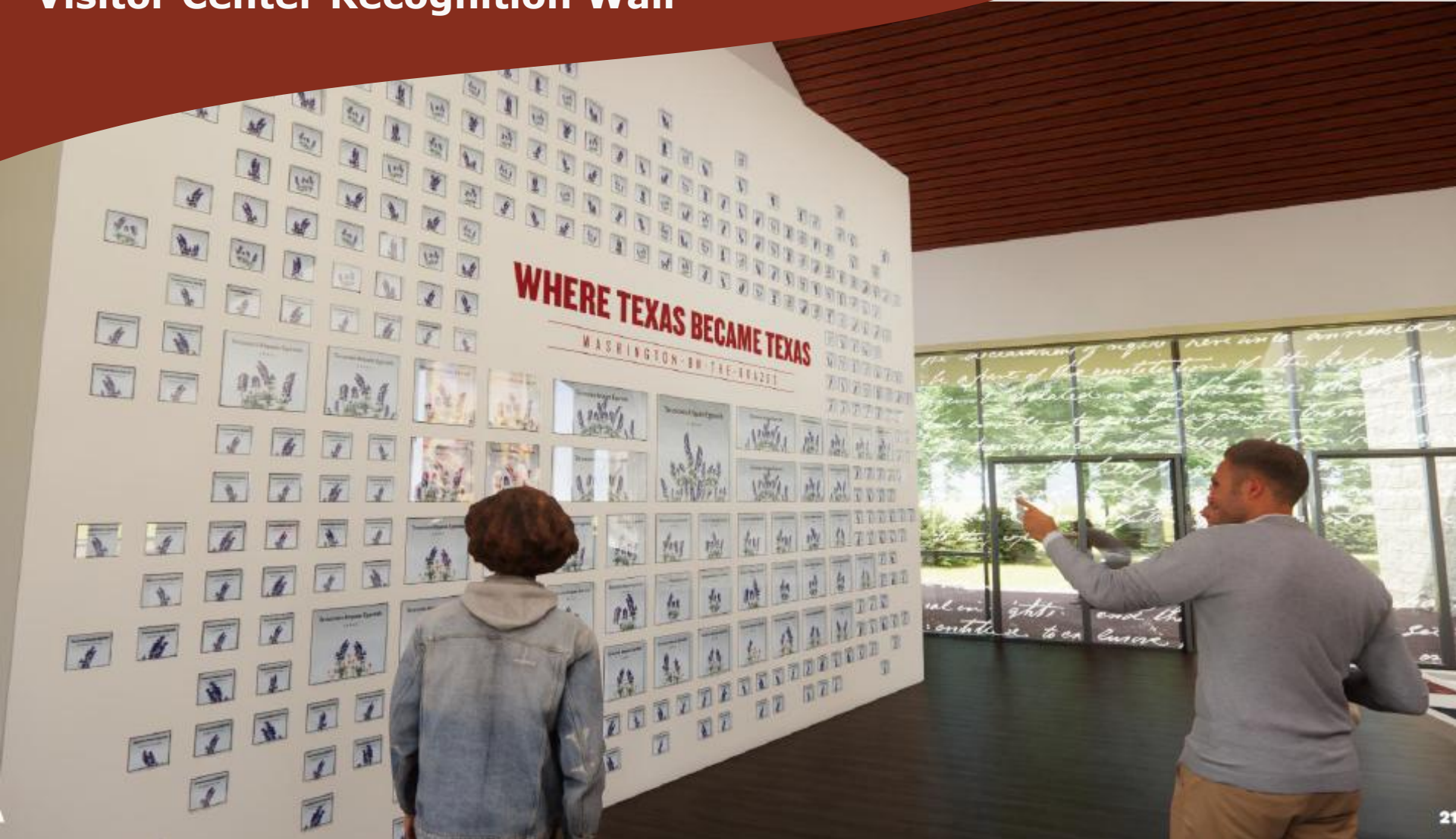


Townsite Central Display - Reserved by Citizens State Bank



# WHERE TEXAS BECAME TEXAS CAMPAIGN

## Visitor Center Recognition Wall



*There will be a collective donor recognition opportunity recognizing all donors who contribute at least \$10,000 to the campaign.*



# RECOGNITION GUIDELINES

The “Where Texas Became Texas” Capital Campaign Donor Naming Opportunities are governed by the Texas Historical Commission’s Donor Recognition Policy and are subject to final approval by the Texas Historical Commission.

Additionally,

- The renderings are for illustrative purposes only. The final naming opportunities list and location may be subject to some changes once the exhibit design is finalized.
- The placement of the donor naming element (donor wall, plaques, wayfinding signs, etc.) will be guided by recommendations from the exhibit designers Gallagher & Associates (G&A) and in accordance with the policies of the Texas Historical Commission.

Once reserved, details for the recognition opportunity, including the approved narrative and naming element, will be provided in the donation agreement.

**Join us to restore Washington-on-the-Brazos  
to its rightful place in the history of our great  
State as the place Where Texas Became Texas.**

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