



Our Story

Our Purpose

The mission of the World Golf Hall of Fame is to preserve and honor the history of golf and the legacies of those who have made it great. Through revealing and inspirational storytelling and exhibitions, the World Golf Hall of Fame & Museum honors its 164 members and the history of this 550-year-old game.

The Hall of Fame's Induction Ceremony is the highlight of every other year, when new members are welcomed into the Hall of Fame in an internationally televised event that celebrates the game's long and rich heritage and recognizes its greatest players and contributors.

The World Golf Hall of Fame & Museum is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit institution and relies on a variety of revenue streams to support its exhibitions, educational programs and curatorial initiatives.

A Global Institution

After years of refining its cause and determining its role within the worldwide golf community, the World Golf Hall of Fame & Museum opened in 1998.

Plans for the World Golf Hall of Fame & Museum originated with former PGA TOUR Commissioner Deane Beman, whose vision focused on creating an institution where the greatest players on the PGA TOUR would be honored and celebrated for generations to come. Beman's vision became bigger over time, and the concept escalated into a worldwide effort that would come to enjoy unprecedented collaboration among the international golf community.

Today, the World Golf Hall of Fame & Museum works closely with the world's leading golf organizations, including the PGA TOUR, LPGA, the Masters, USGA, PGA of America, PGA European Tour and The R&A, along with the professional tours in Asia, Australia, Japan and South Africa.

Each of these organizations believes in the Hall of Fame's mission and recognizes the importance of the legacy and honoring the history of golf and the legacies of those who have made it great.