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## ABOUT GALVESTON ISLAND

Galveston Island is a historic beach town located on the Gulf of Mexico just 50 miles from Houston. The island is best known as a vacation destination, offering 32 miles of beaches, a variety of family attractions, Texas' premier cruise port and one of the largest collections of Victorian architecture in the country.

In the early 1800s, the island attracted outlaws and pirates like Jean Lafitte. Over the years, Galveston grew to be known as the "Playground of the South." In the late 1800s, the island was home to a booming tourist destination built on its beaches, convenient location, busy port and numerous attractions.

In 1900, the island fell victim to a hurricane known as The Great Storm. It killed more than 6,000 people and is still considered the deadliest natural disaster in U.S. history. The people of Galveston banded together to raise the island to protect it from future storms. Together, they built the seawall which is more than 100 years old.

Today, Galveston is home to many family attractions, museums, hotels, shops and restaurants. More than 6 million people from all over the world visit the island every year.

We hope you enjoy coloring these images of Galveston and look forward to having you visit the island.

For more information about Galveston and to plan your trip, go to [www.galveston.com](http://www.galveston.com).

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# Jean Laffite

Jean Laffite was a pirate who lived in Galveston in 1817. Many people believe he hid treasure on the island that still hasn't been found.





# 1877 Tall Ship Elissa

The tall ship was built in 1877 in Scotland and now stands in Galveston Harbor at Pier 21. It is the "Official Tall Ship of Texas."



# Victorian Architecture

Galveston is home to one of the largest collections of Victorian buildings in the country.



# Bishop's Palace

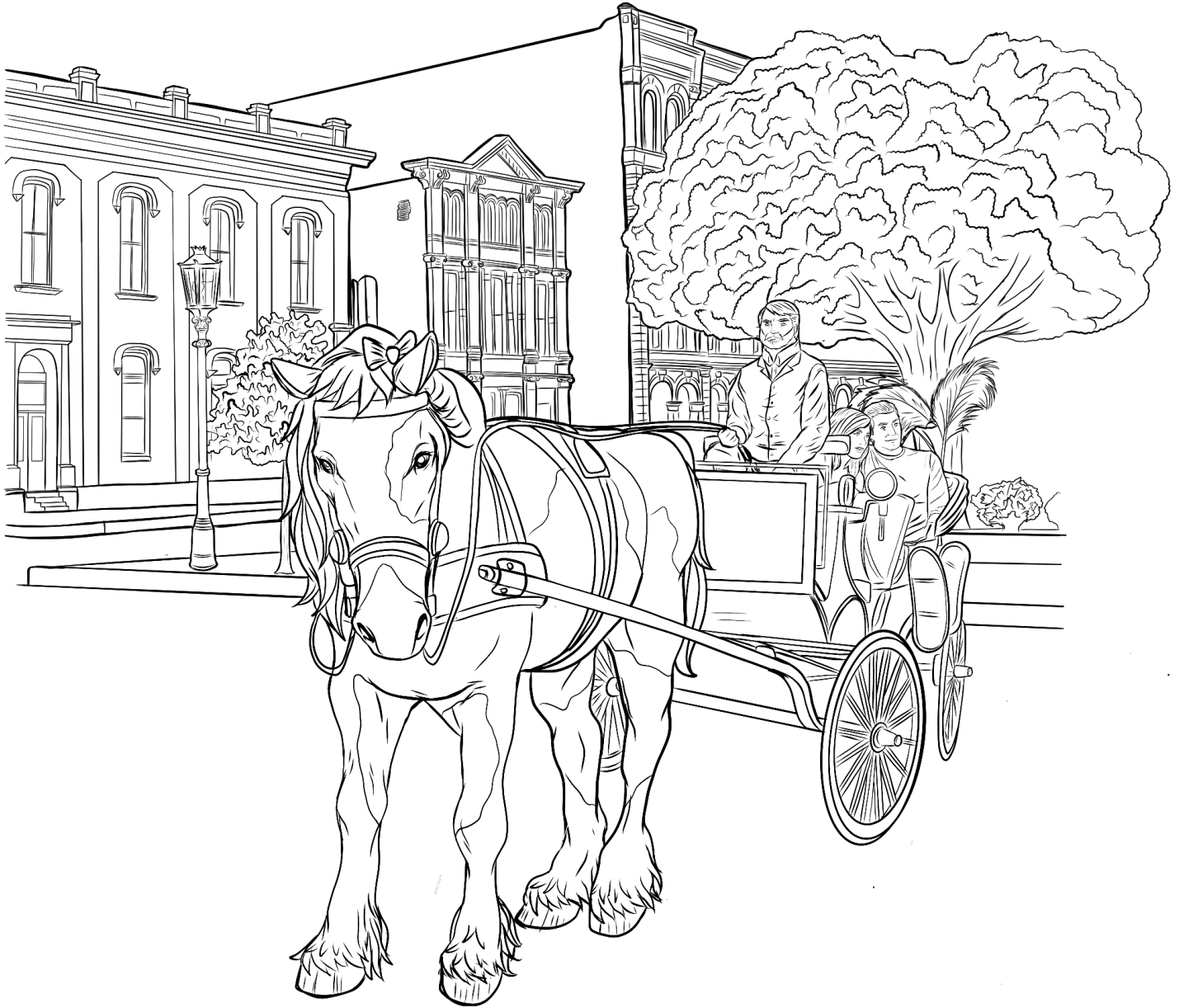
Bishop's Palace was built in 1892 on Galveston's famous Broadway Avenue and is also known as Gresham's Castle. It is open daily for tours.





# Moody Mansion

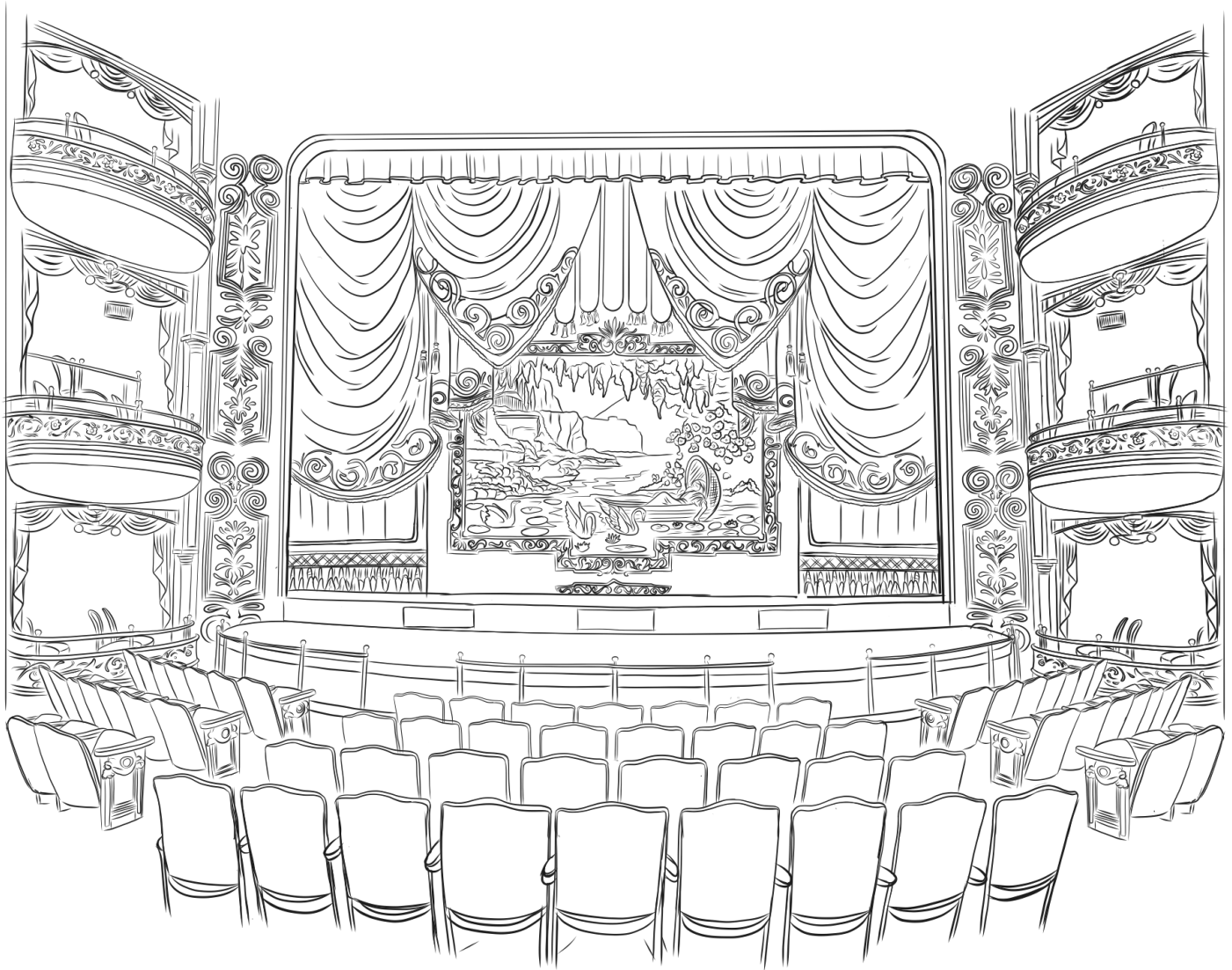
The Moody Mansion was built in 1895. Today, it is a museum that shows how one of Galveston's wealthiest families lived during the early 1900s.



# Historic Downtown

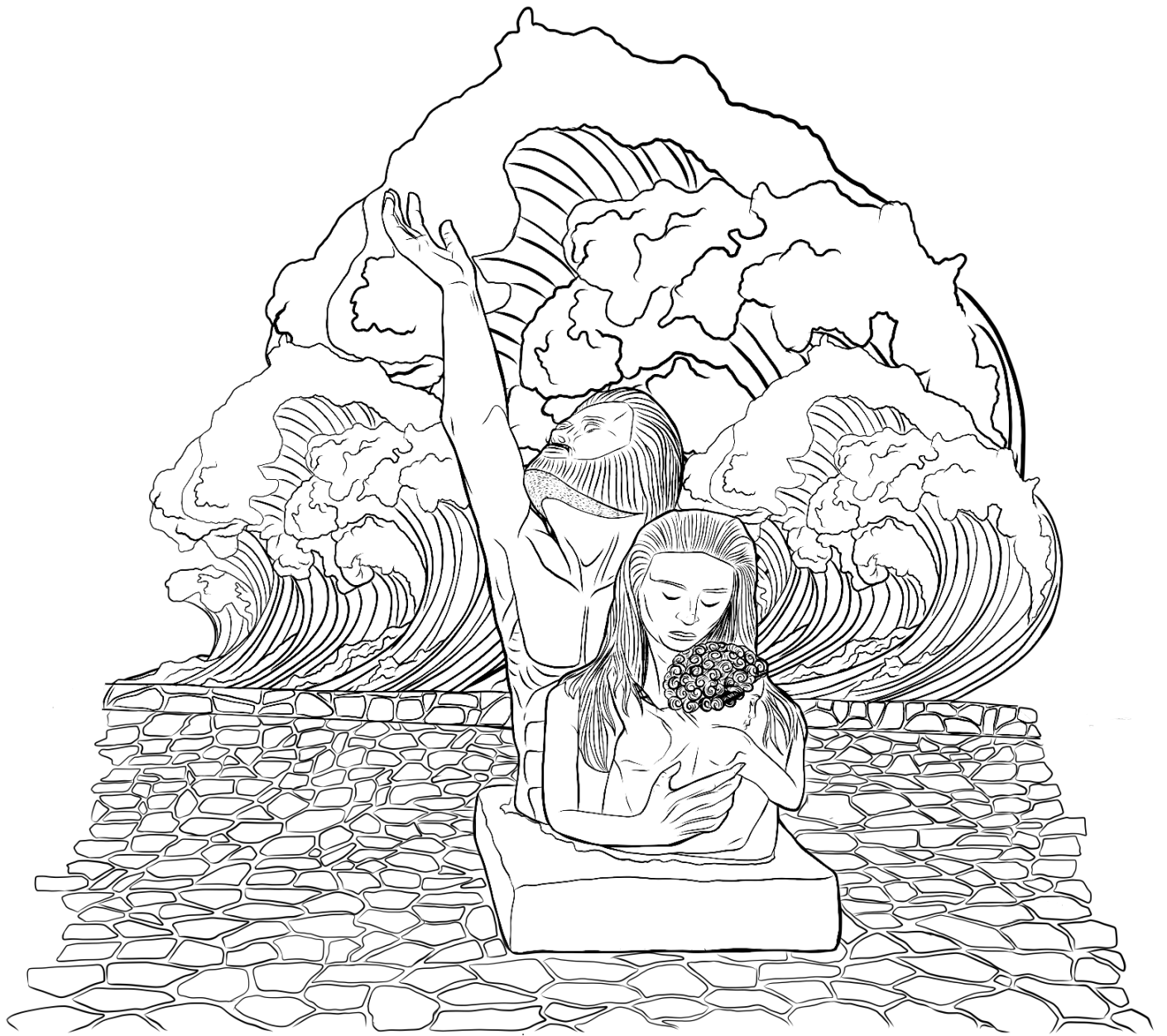
Galveston's historic downtown includes 70 city blocks and features 19th-century buildings. Here, you can visit restaurants, shops, museums, art galleries and theaters.





# The Grand 1894 Opera House

The Grand 1894 Opera House is the "Official Opera House of Texas."  
It is located in historic downtown Galveston.



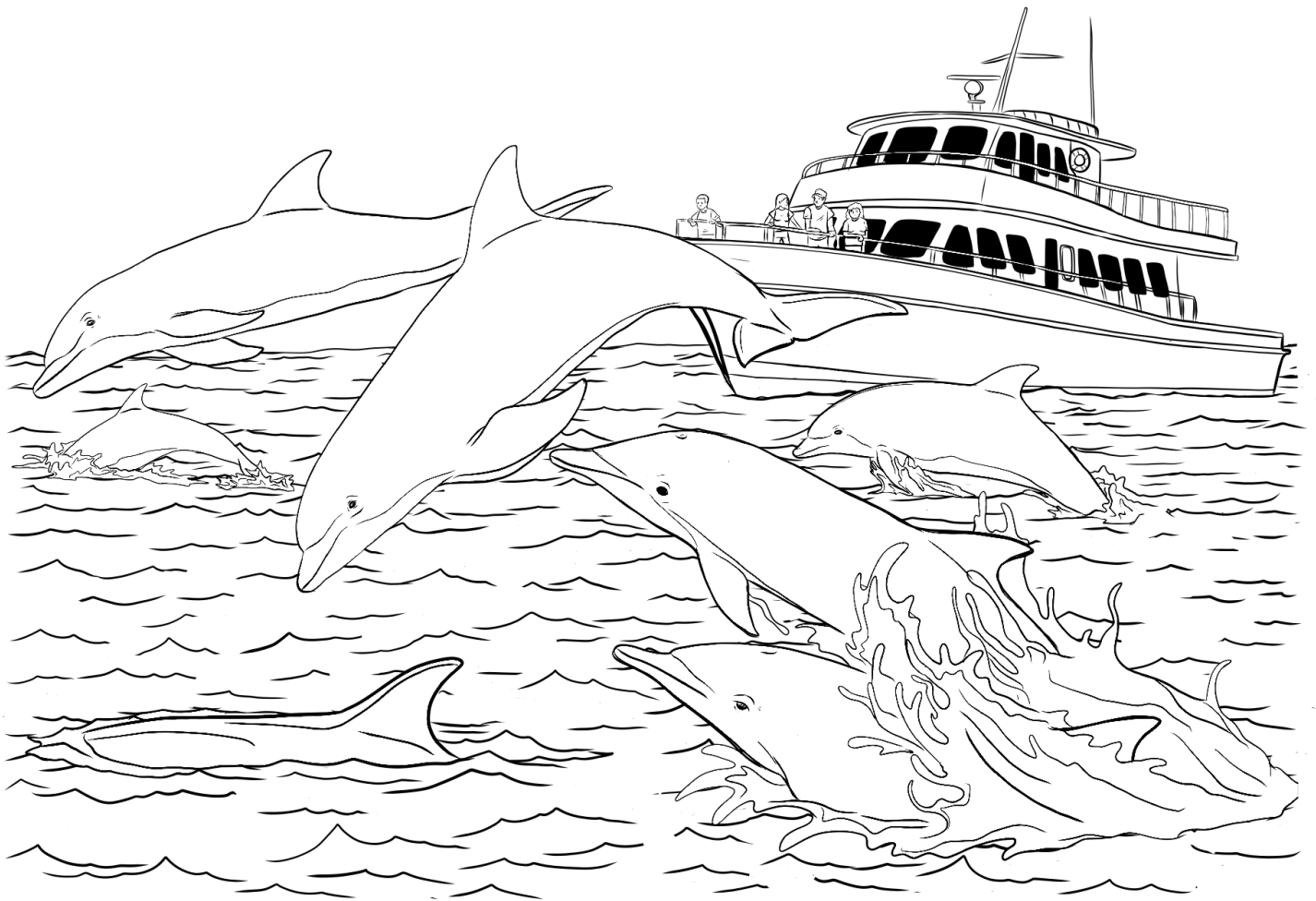
# 1900 Storm Memorial

This bronze statue stands along Galveston's seawall in memory of the more than 6,000 people who lost their lives during The Great Storm of 1900.



# Historic Pleasure Pier

The Galveston Island Historic Pleasure Pier is located where a similar amusement park pier stood from 1943 until 1961.



# Galveston Harbor

Galveston Bay is home to bottlenose dolphins. They often follow commercial fishing boats in hopes of catching a meal.

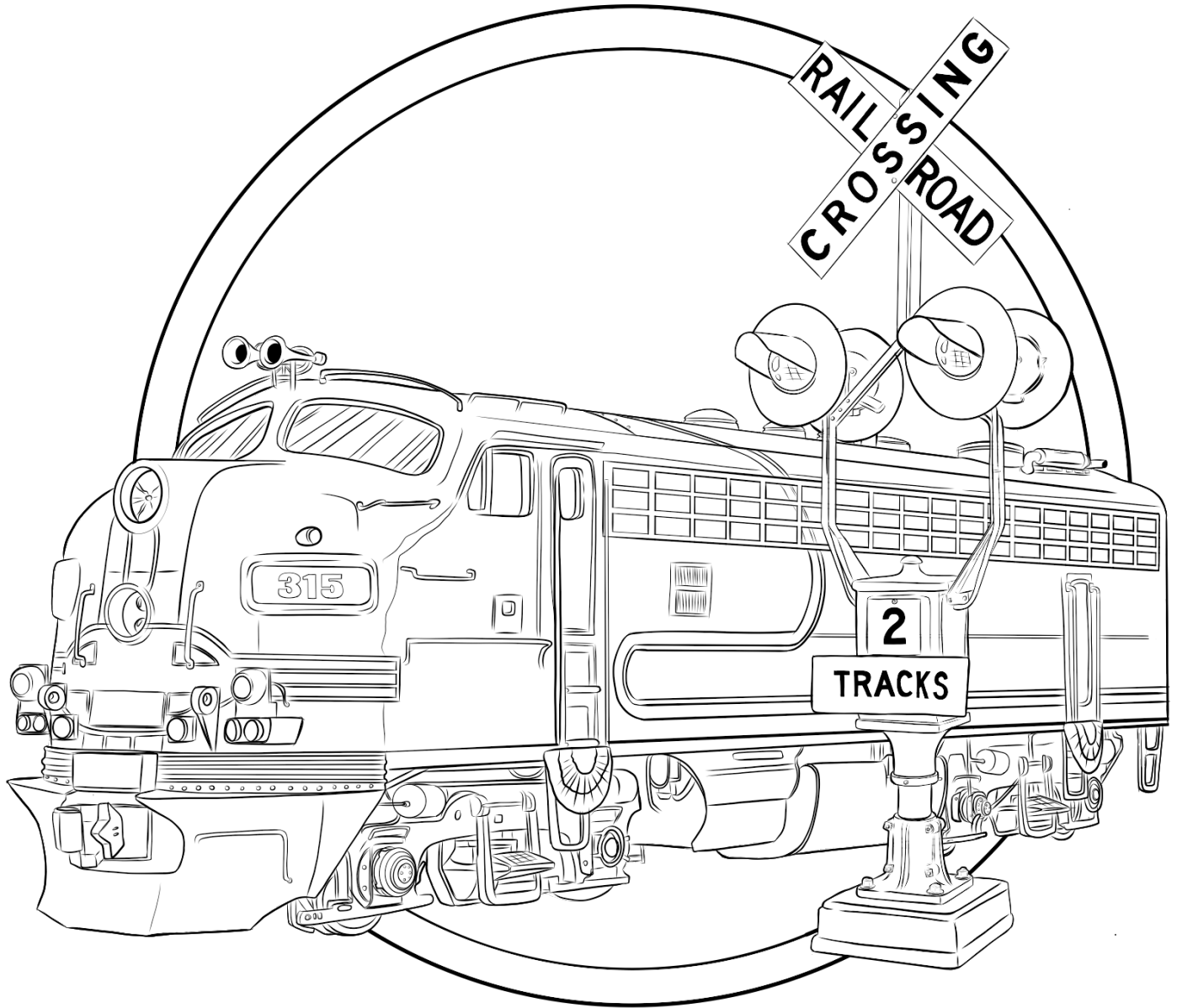




# Pier 19

Galveston's Pier 19 is the docking station for dozens of fishing and shrimping boats.





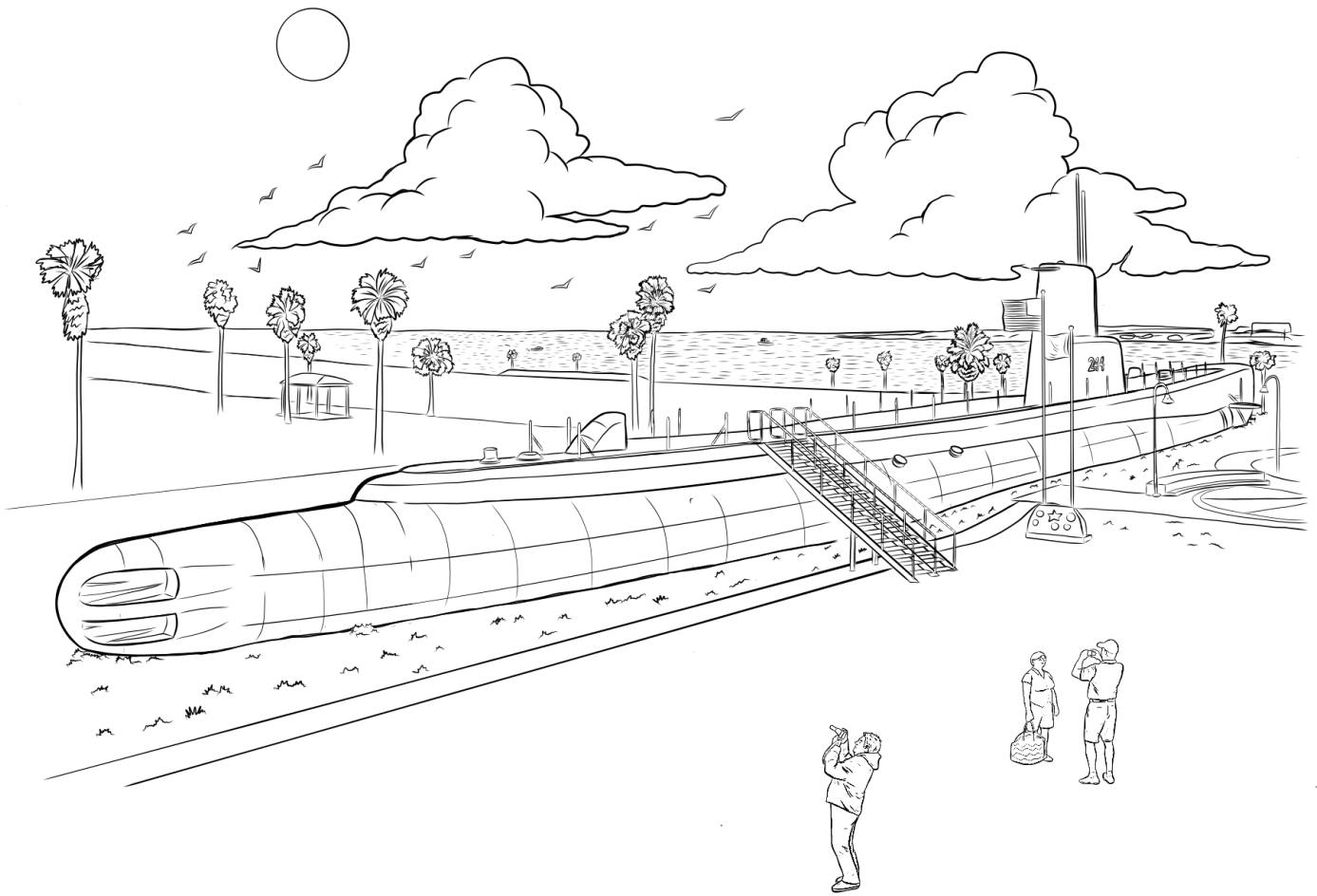
# Galveston Railroad Museum

In Galveston, you can visit the Galveston Railroad Museum. Here, you can ride the "Harborside Express" and learn about railroad history.



# The Bryan Museum

Galveston's Bryan Museum is home to the world's largest collection of Southwestern artifacts.



# USS Cavalla

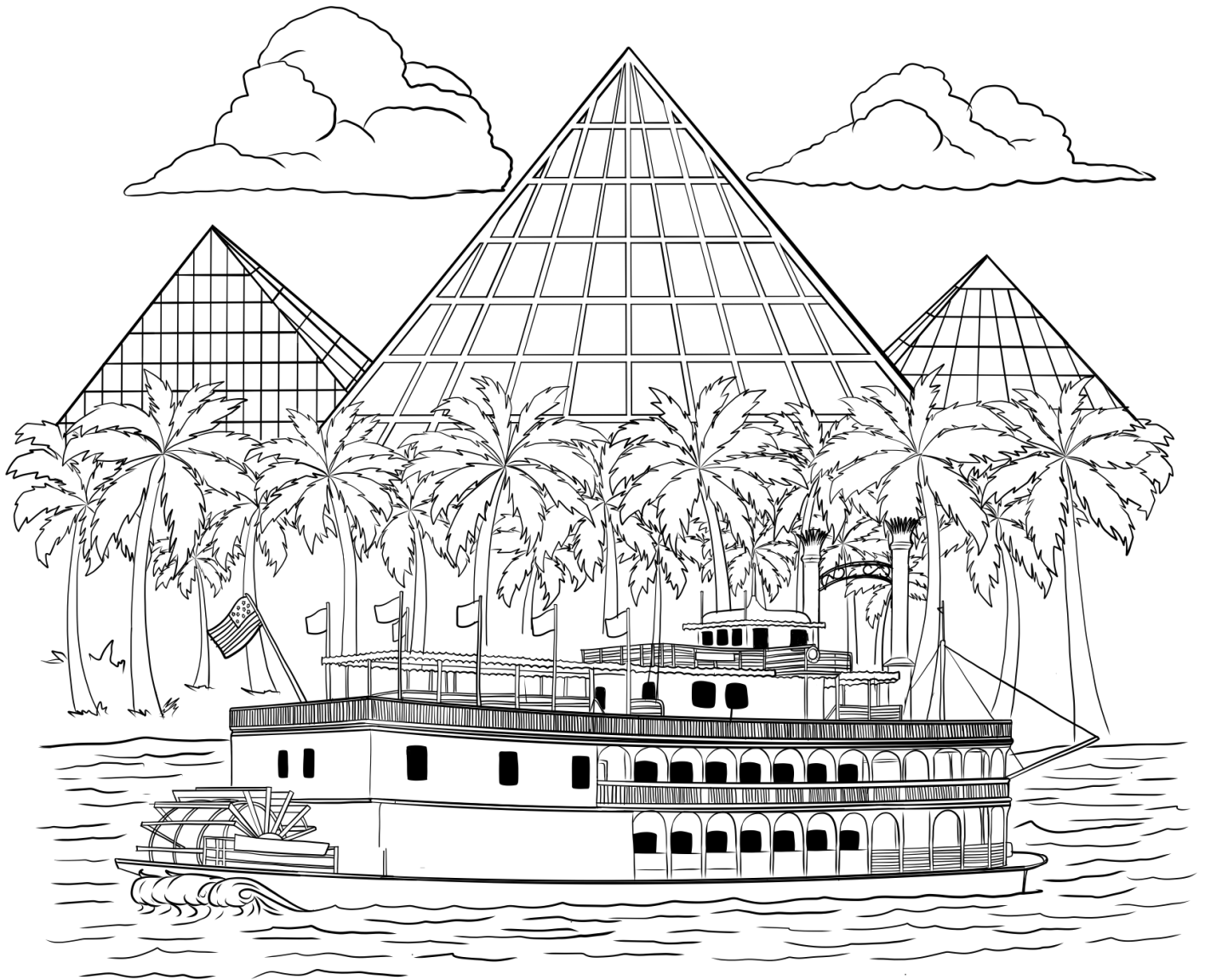
The USS Cavalla is a submarine the United States Navy used during World War II. You can visit the Cavalla at Galveston's Seawolf Park.



# Ashton Villa & Juneteenth Statue

Ashton Villa is home to Galveston's official Juneteenth monument. Juneteenth is a special holiday that originated in Galveston and celebrates the date the last slaves in the United States learned they were free in 1865.





# Moody Gardens

An aquarium, rainforest and a 3D movie theater are some of the attractions found at Moody Gardens.





# Kemp's Ridley Turtles

Kemp's ridley turtles are the smallest of all the sea turtle species and can be found nesting on Galveston's beaches.



# Sacred Heart Church

The original Sacred Heart Church was built in the late 1800s but was destroyed by The Great Storm of 1900. The church that stands in its place today was built in 1903.



# Old Red Medical Museum

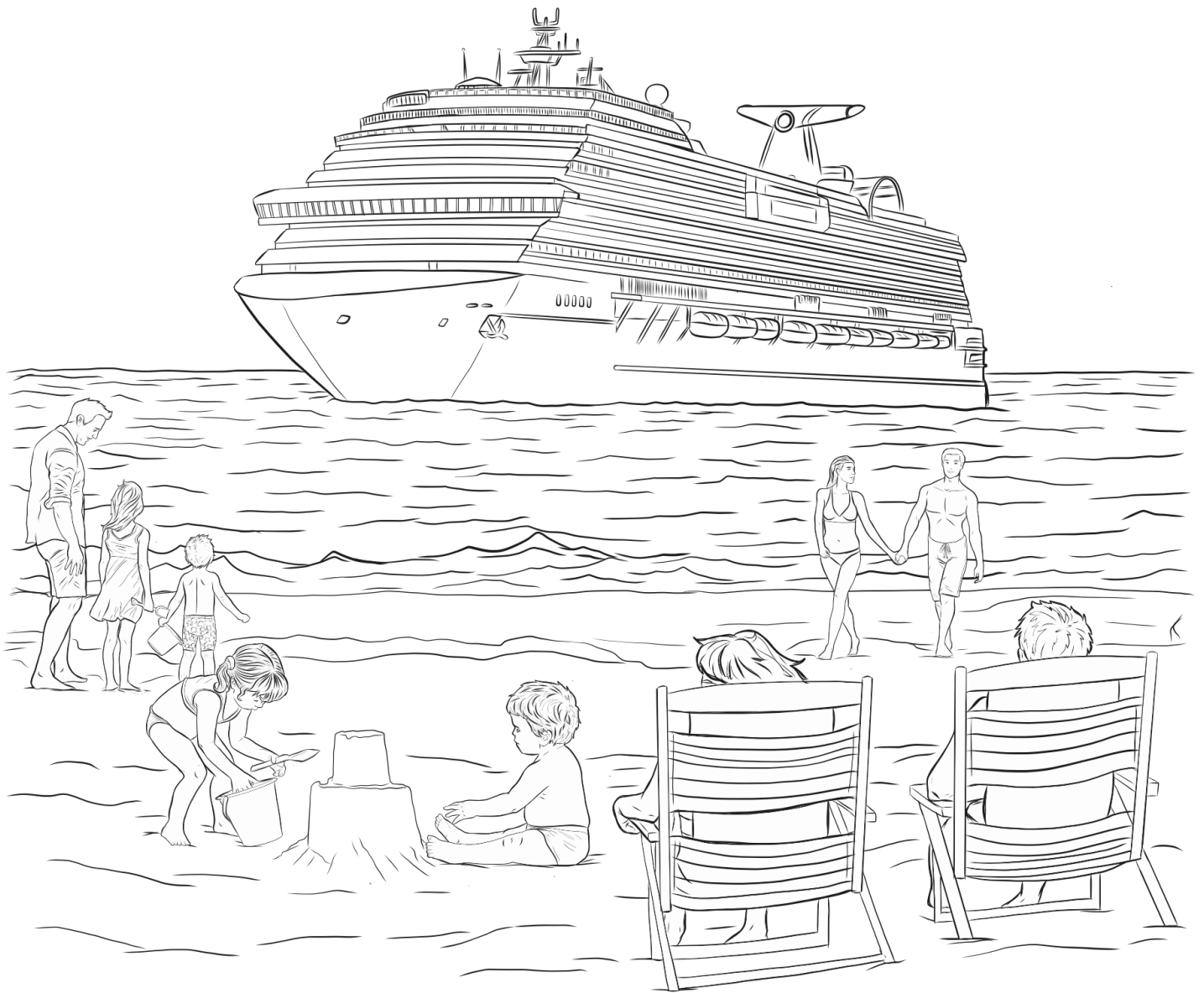
The first medical school in Texas was built in Galveston in 1891. The original building, known as "Old Red," is now a medical museum.



# Bird Watching

Galveston is one of the top locations in the country for bird watching.  
More than 300 species of birds fly through Galveston each year.

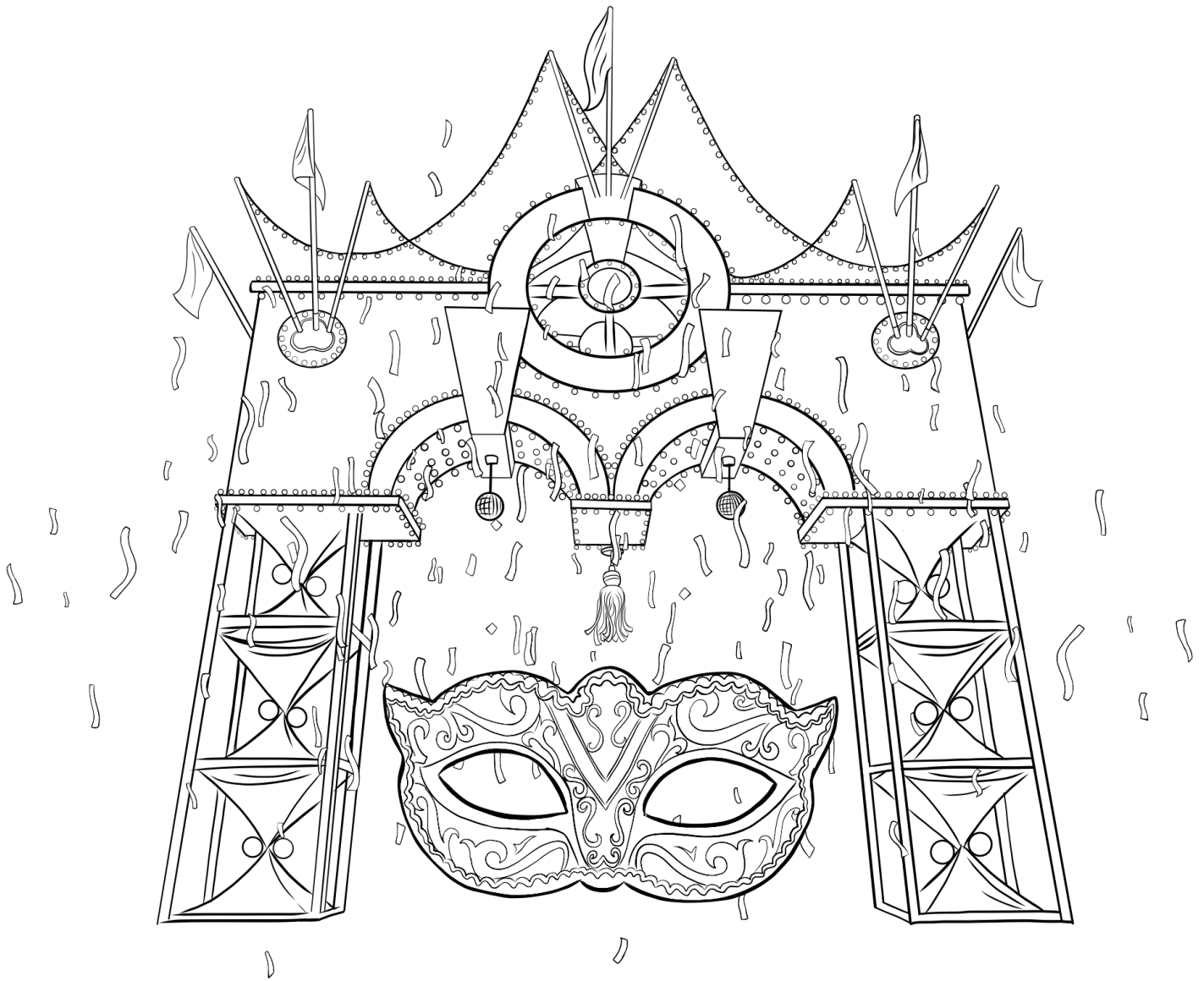




# Cruising from Galveston

The Port of Galveston is the fourth busiest cruise port in the country.





# Mardi Gras Arch

Galveston is home to the third largest Mardi Gras celebration in the country. The city's official Mardi Gras arch stays up all year in front of The Tremont House hotel.

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