2009 Champlain Quadricentennial Commemoration Grants

Participation in Burlington Waterfront Festival



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Project Summary

A 2009 Champlain Quadricentennial Commemoration grant from the CVNHP/LCBP supported the Lake Champlain Maritime Museum's (LCMM) participation in the Burlington International Waterfront Festival. LCMM brought two dynamic programs to the Festival: replica canal schooner *Lois McClure* (July 5-14) and the *Discover 1609* exhibition at Union Station and lakerelated performances and lectures at the Main Street Landing Performing Arts Center (July 5-12).

Schooner Lois McClure was designated the Flagship of the Quadricentennial from the earliest days of Lake Champlain Quadricentennial planning. The schooner's nine-day stay in Burlington during the Burlington International Waterfront Festival played an important role in providing a platform for engaging the public in the history and archaeology of Lake Champlain. The museum's significant presence on Perkins Pier with the schooner was enhanced by additional programming including a traditional birch bark canoe, an exhibit on the evolution of Burlington's historic waterfront, and a multi-panel Discover 1609 exhibition that offered perspective on the collection of submerged cultural resources of the Lake. Schooner *Lois McClure* proved to be a user-friendly, effective, central stage for learning about Lake Champlain's rich cultural and natural history and bright future for over 3,000 people during the Burlington International Waterfront Festival.

Working with its partners at the Main Street Landing Performing Arts Center, LCMM also implemented a highly successful, culturally enriching series of lectures, performances and exhibits. Nearly 700 people attended LCMM's seven free lectures/performances from July 5-10 held at Main Street Landing's Film House.



Skies cleared briefly during Burlington's celebrations

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