

## Champlain Valley National Heritage Partnership



## 2014 CVNHP Commemoration Grant

## Rabble in Arms 2014: The Attack on Fort Cassin

## **Project Summary**

The Lake Champlain Maritime Museum (LCMM) received a \$5,000 2014 CVNHP Commemoration Grant to mark the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of a British raid on Lake Champlain during the War of 1812. On the weekend of August 16 and 17, 2014, the LCMM recreated the events of 1814, when the British fleet sailed down Lake Champlain with the intent to destroy Lieut. Thomas Macdonough's ship building operation in Vergennes. Re-enactors from across the northeast gathered at LCMM's North Harbor to recreate and interpret these events for the visiting public. Forty re-enactors, artillery units and reproduction vessels brought the pivotal events of the War of 1812 to life as they commemorated the 200th Anniversary of this important military engagement. Museum visitors enjoyed demonstrations of maritime skills, presentations of firearms, boat maneuvers, open air cooking, blacksmithing, and lectures about Vergennes' role in the War of 1812. In addition, the LCMM's gallery featured the exhibit 1812 -Star Spangled Nation, on loan from the American Society of Marine Artists.

Organization: Lake Champlain Maritime

Museum

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Dozens of re-enactors and hundreds of spectators took part in the weekend's commemoration

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 L-2014-029

 Date Complete:
 10/21/2014

 Grant Amount:
 \$5,000.00

 Non-federal Match:
 \$2,750.00

 Total Amount:
 \$7,750.00