

**Black Loyalist Heritage Society**  
**225<sup>th</sup> Loyalist Landing Celebrations**

**Amistad Weekend**

**August 8-10, 2008**

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 8**

- 11am - noon: **Parade of Sail**  
# Amistad Freedom Schooner arrives in Shelburne Harbour, escorted in by the Shelburne Harbour Yacht Club members
- Noon - 1pm: **Civic Welcome**  
# Civic welcome with welcoming remarks from dignitaries at the Shelburne Government Wharf
- 1:30pm - 3pm: **Welcoming Reception**  
# Reception at Shelburne Harbour Yacht Club - open to the public
- 4pm - 6pm: **Amistad Freedom Schooner Tours**  
# Ship open to the public at the Shelburne government wharf
- 7:30pm: **Musical entertainment at the Shelburne Harbour Yacht Club**  
# Local musicians "Heavy Waters". Event for the yacht club members, BLHS members and crew of the Amistad. This is by invitation only.

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 9**

- 8am - 11am: **Birchtown Community Breakfast**  
# Public are welcome to attend community breakfast at the Birchtown Community Hall (23 Old Birchtown Rd). \$6/plate  
# Following breakfast, there will be a tour of the Black Loyalist Heritage Society Historical Site & Museum for public and Amistad Crew. Admission to Old School House Museum is \$2.50/person
- 11am - 11:30am: **Amistad Freedom Schooner Tours**  
# Ship open to the public at the Shelburne government wharf
- 10am - 3pm: **Open Air Market**  
# A showcase of Nova Scotia's painters, vendors, authors, musicians, and retailers.  
# This will be an out door event which will take place on the waterfront at the Shelburne Yacht Club.  
# We are able to provide canopies and tables for participants (vendors) of this event. The price for a table/canopy is \$20. Call Bev at 875-1606 to book your table.
- 2:30pm - 3:30pm: **Black Boat Building Exhibit**  
# Official opening of the Black Boat Builders Exhibit at the Muir-Cox Ship Yard. Partnership between the Shelburne Historical Society & the BLHS.
- 9pm - 1am: **Dance at the Shelburne Legion**  
# Open to the public for those 19+, local band Back Trak will be performing.  
# Cost is \$10/person
- 10pm: **Fireworks on Dock Street**  
# \*Unconfirmed\*

## **SUNDAY, AUGUST 10**

9:30am - noon:

### **Sankofa Youth Workshop**

- # Workshop open to diverse youth groups in the 13 to 18 age range who are: interested in discussing issues of diversity and racial harmony, seeking a better understanding of the Amistad mission and wanting to take part in sailing the *Freedom Schooner Amistad*.
  - # Workshop to take place at the BLHS Board Room in the Birchtown Community Centre (23 Old Birchtown Road)
  - # Cost is free, however, youth wishing to participate must complete the registration form and return to Beverly Cox, BLHS Site Manager, 98 Old Birchtown Road, Shelburne County, NS, email [beverly@blackloyalist.com](mailto:beverly@blackloyalist.com) or telephone 875-1606 or fax 875-1352.
- Deadline for registration is August 7.  
Seating is limited.

**Click on this link for the Registration Form:**

<http://www.loyalistsatshelburne.com/amistad-sankofa-youth-workshop.pdf>

11am:

### **Ecumenical Church Service, St. Paul's Church, Birchtown**

- # Public is invited to attend an ecumenical church service at the St. Paul's Church in Birchtown with Pastor Debra Hill.
- # Free will offering - all proceeds to go to the Shelburne Loyalist Food Bank

Noon:

### **Pot Luck Dinner**

- # Community is invited to attend a pot luck dinner at the Birchtown Community Centre following the church service. Bring your favorite dish!

1pm - 4pm:

### **Sankofa Youth Sail**

- # Youth who registered for the Sankofa Youth Workshop & Sail will have the opportunity to sail the Amistad Freedom Schooner in Shelburne Harbour.

## **MONDAY, AUGUST 11:**

noon:

### **Amistad Departs**

- # Parade of Sail as the Amistad departs Shelburne Harbour escorted out by the Shelburne Harbour Yacht Club members.
- # Amistad Freedom Schooner sets sail for Portland Maine

## ***225<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations Continued:***

**August 4-16:**

- ! **Shelburne County Rug Hookers Display at the Old School House Museum. Museum hours of operation are Tuesday - Friday 10am to 4pm. Saturday & Sunday, 11am to 5pm. The exhibit titled "*Shelburne Then and Now*" will be show-casing 30 hooked mats with several of the mats depicting the history of the Black Loyalists.**