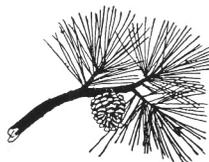


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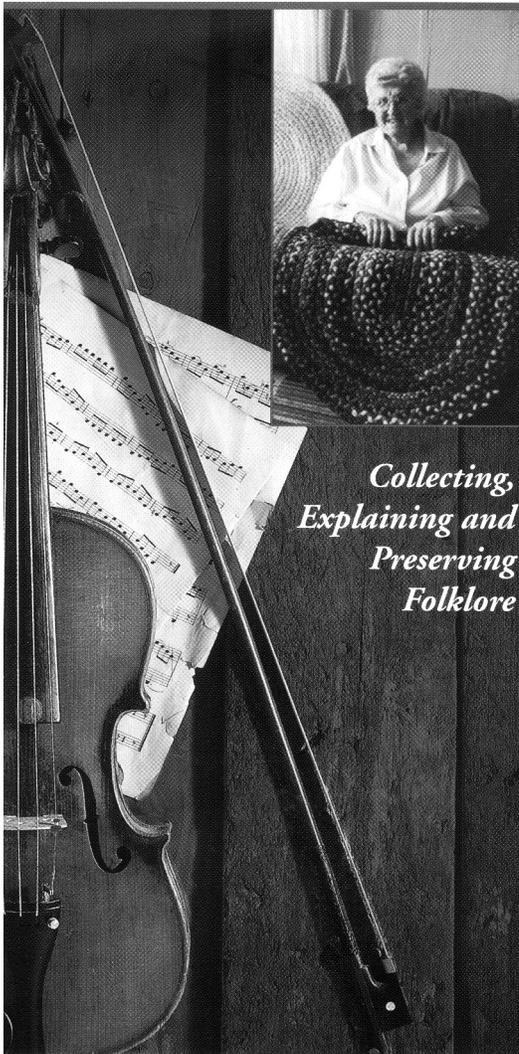
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The Fortress of Louisbourg, 1758  
The Final Siege: Consequences and Commemorations

September 26-27, 2008, Sydney and Louisbourg, Nova Scotia

The year 2008 marks the 250th anniversary of the final siege of Louisbourg in 1758, a moment of immense historical significance in Canadian and North American history. The opening of the first reconstructed building on the Fortress site in 1968 marked a turning point in heritage preservation in Canada. Combined, these two events provide us with an occasion to reflect critically on the multifaceted significance of Louisbourg.

In commemoration of this, the Louisbourg Institute, a partnership between Cape Breton University and the Fortress of Louisbourg National Historic Site of Canada, will host a unique two day event bringing together public school and university educators, researchers and other interested publics to consider Louisbourg as a subject of historical inquiry and debate, as an example of the politics and possibilities of public history and as a teaching resource—a living lab.

The morning of Friday, September 26, will be structured as a professional development in-service for elementary, intermediate and secondary school social studies teachers, and will take place in Sydney, NS, at the Membertou Trade and Convention Centre. The central focus of this in-service will be to make teachers aware of the Fortress of Louisbourg as a valuable teaching and learning resource in a wide range of subjects, including social studies, language arts and science. This program will focus on new strategies and resources for introducing Louisbourg to the classroom and for bringing the classroom to Louisbourg, and will include presentations from the Fortress of Louisbourg Educational Outreach Program.

On Friday afternoon participating teachers and the general public are invited to presentations by two keynote speakers: Dr. William Wicken, York University, a well known specialist in Mi'kmaw history, and Dr. Robert Grenier, OC, Manager of Parks Canada Underwater Archaeology Section. The speakers will highlight the historical importance of the Siege of 1758, the value of archaeological evidence contained in the site and the commemorative significance of the Fortress.

The second day of the symposium will take place at the Fortress of Louisbourg. Morning presentations by leading scholars, including Dr. Nicholas Westbrook, Director of Fort Ticonderoga, NY, Dr. A. J. B. Johnston, Parks Canada, and Stephen White, Centre des Études Acadiennes, Université de Moncton. This panel discussion will be followed by archaeologist-led tours of sites related to British and French battle positions during the siege of 1758. The day will conclude in the Fortress's period restaurant with a meal of 18th-century French cuisine, paired with Old World wines, inspired by the story of Madame Drucour, wife of Louisbourg's governor in 1758. This day will present the most current research on the 1758 siege and its consequences, and allow participants to experience and appreciate the enormous archaeological and interpretive resource that exists at the Fortress of Louisbourg National Historic Site today.

Overall, the professional development in-service and symposium are intended to make teachers and the public aware of the Fortress of Louisbourg as a teaching resource and a place for learning. The two-day event will bring together scholars and teachers in order to enrich school curriculum with some of the latest developments in historical and archaeological research and allow participants to critically consider the value of material culture in the act of commemoration.

Attendance at the in-service can be arranged through participating school boards. The Friday afternoon keynote addresses will be open to the general public, times TBA.

Participants can register for the Saturday program at the Fortress of Louisbourg through the Fortress of Louisbourg Association. The cost for Saturday's program, including all activities and meals will be \$60; participants need to register and pay in advance.

For more information contact:

Graham Reynolds, Chair of History and Fine Arts, Cape Breton University (902) 563-1145.

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