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About Us

The Amherstburg Freedom Museum is a curated archive that preserves and shares Amherstburg's stories of the Underground Railroad, and the compassion and solidarity it took to make this network possible.

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Recap of Christmas at the Museum

On Wednesday, December 9th we hosted Christmas at the Museum, but did things a little different this year by going virtual. The evening's program featured amazing performances from New Life Fellowship with Musical Director Steve Riley and additional performances from Renee King-Jackson, Brett Logan and Black Kids in Action. We also hosted a raffle and wine pull fundraiser. Thank you to everyone who participated!



We would also like to send out a big thank you to our sponsors Detroit Memorial Park Association and Dollars and Cents Investment Inc. The program was also made possible by Dr. Brock VanDyke of Solid Foundation Chiropractic. To rewatch, go to our YouTube page <https://youtu.be/HvyhUOR1xnk> or Facebook <http://www.facebook.com/AmherstburgFreedom/live/>

Call For Black History Month Kick-Off Advertisements



Essex County
Black Historical Research Society

Each year, the Essex County Black Historical Research Society releases a Windsor-Essex Black History Month

Activity Schedule. This schedule features Black History Month activities happening around our region. This year, our schedule will be released on Friday, January 29, 2021 during our annual Black History Month Kick-Off, which will take place on Zoom. If you or your organization would like your virtual or socially distanced Black History Month event(s) to appear on the 2021 schedule, please send details to ecbhrs@gmail.com no later than **Friday January 22, 2021**.

The Talking Drum

The Talking Drum is published monthly by the Amherstburg Freedom Museum. Contributions, story ideas, suggestions and feedback are always welcome. Please contact Mary-Katherine Whelan at curator@amherstburgfreedom.org

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Amherstburg Freedom Museum received an amazing donation of \$1,500 from The Fortis Group that helped us purchase books from The River Bookshop for our gift shop. We are so grateful! Thanks also to AFM Director Dr. Brenda McCurdy who accepted the donation on behalf of the museum.



The Perfect Gift



Are you looking for the perfect gift for friends and family? We're here to help. The Amherstburg Freedom Museum is offering this embossed bag tag that features the Amherstburg Freedom Museum logo. Put it on your luggage, golf bag, backpack or purse. The possibilities are endless!

All you have to do is **give a donation of \$35** and this bag tag will be yours, along with a \$15 tax receipt. The tag has a brown leather strap and a nickel medallion with Amherstburg Freedom Museum logo surrounded by a border of leather. The medallion with surrounding leather (not including the strap) measures 88.9mm x 77.6mm.



AFM T-Shirt Contest!!!

Have you ever wanted your creativity to be on display? Participate in our T-shirt contest and it could become reality!



Guidelines For T-shirt Contest:

1. Open to All Ages.
2. Entry fee \$10 (Entry fee must be paid by January 31st for your design to be considered).
3. Image must be submitted as png or jpeg, with at least 300 dpi
4. Winning design may need to be adjusted after submission to follow AFM brand guidelines and limitations the printer may have.
5. You can decide t-shirt colour for your design (but this may end up slightly different as we have to use predetermined colours offered by the t-shirt manufacturer)
6. Winning designer will not be financially compensated, but will receive a free t-shirt and be credited for the design.
7. To submit design, please email image to curator@amherstburgfreedom.org
8. Deadline to submit design is Sunday, January 31st at midnight.
9. Submissions will be narrowed down to a group of finalists. The winning design will be chosen by the most votes on our social media channels.
10. Winning design will appear on a t-shirt that will be sold exclusively at the Amherstburg Freedom Museum.
11. A write up about the winning designer will appear in the Talking Drum, the news section of our website and on our social media channels.
12. Original designs only. Any designs that are not original will be disqualified.
13. Theme: "What Black Canadian History Means To You."

Good Luck!

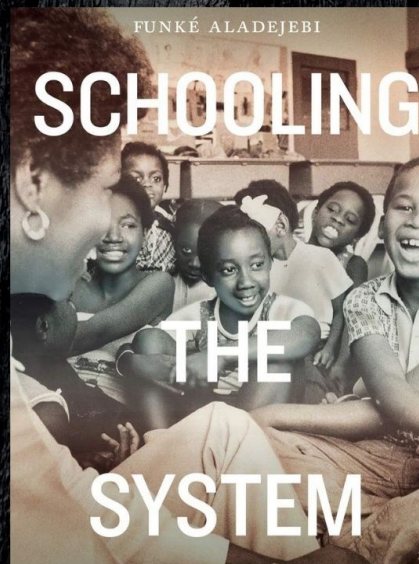


A Presentation by Dr. Funké Aladejebi

Happening live on our Facebook page [/AmherstburgFreedom/](#) on January 19th at 2pm — “Liberatory Pedagogies: Black Women Teachers in Ontario.”

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A PRESENTATION BY UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO ASSISTANT
PROFESSOR AND AUTHOR OF SCHOOLING THE SYSTEM,
DR. FUNKÉ ALADEJEBI



TUESDAY, JANUARY 19TH AT 2PM



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In accordance with the Windsor-Essex Health Unit and Provincial Government's announcement, we will be temporarily closed to the public during the lockdown in Windsor-Essex. Please monitor our social media pages for updates on our reopening. Thank you for your patience. Be safe.

A Call for Board Directors and Fundraising Committee Members



Attention Community Members! Are you looking for a great way to give back to your community? We have a great opportunity for you! The Amherstburg Freedom Museum is looking to take on more Board Directors and/or those interested in being on our Fundraising Committee.

To apply, please contact curator@amherstburgfreedom.org.



Amherstburg Freedom Museum would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to **Charitable Gaming Windsor** and **Paradise Gaming Centre** for their continued support. Throughout the years, they have helped us keep the Museum open and running, and allowed for us to continue to offer our programming throughout the pandemic. **Thank you!**

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