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Spotlight: Micah
Bryce Moore**



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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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Freedom Achiever Spotlight: Micah Bryce Moore

Name: Micah Bryce Moore

Age: 13 years

School and Class: Stella Maris Elementary School,
Grade 8

Hometown: Amherstburg, ON

Parents: Greg Moore and Tammy (Williams) Moore

Question: What are your hobbies or extra-curricular activities?

Answer: Playing soccer, school basketball, and music. I play bass guitar in the band at church.

Question: Why did you want to learn to play an instrument?

Answer: My dad always plays instruments. He has a lot of guitars, so he taught me how to play the bass. I started when I was 9 years old. Music has been in my family for generations. I also learn from YouTube.



Question: When did you start playing the saxophone?

Answer: I selected the sax in music class at school because I like how it sounds. I was 11 when I started to play. I got a sax last Christmas as a gift from my parents and have been learning to play songs from YouTube.

Question: Tell us about some of the performances you've done?

Answer: A couple years ago I played Silent Night (sax) at the school Christmas concert. Last Fall my brothers and I played at the Navy Yard as part of the local Tourism Board talent showcase. I played bass, Jonah played drums, Jordan played the violin, and Titus played guitar. I've also played with my dad's group, Jazzus, at private parties and weddings. It's fun to play with good musicians. Playing with them helps me get better. In Grade 7, I was selected to be part of the All-Star Band (top musicians from three local schools).



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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Question: What type of music and artists do you listen to and why?

Answer: Jazz. My dad always plays jazz with his band and he taught me a lot of jazz, so I play jazz. I like Stevie Wonder and Michael Jackson. I like all the instruments and rhythm. Blues, R&B, and Gospel. My brother likes to listen to Toby Mac, so we listen to him a lot.

Question: How has the COVID-19 pandemic affected your day-to-day activities?

Answer: School is on-line, and I don't like it because I don't get to see my friends a lot. My graduation will be on-line.

Micah is an honors student and plans to attend the IB (International Baccalaureate) program at Assumption Highschool in Fall 2021, as well as continue his music studies.

Question: What do you want to be when you grow up?

Answer: A Neurosurgeon. I will also continue music as a hobby.

Question: If you could have a conversation with one historical Black figure, who would it be and what would you want to talk about?

Answer: Harriet Tubman. I researched a lot about her as well as did a school paper about her. She was a courageous person. I'd want to know how she got so brave in order to do the things she did. How hard was it to get to the North?

A Call for Volunteers



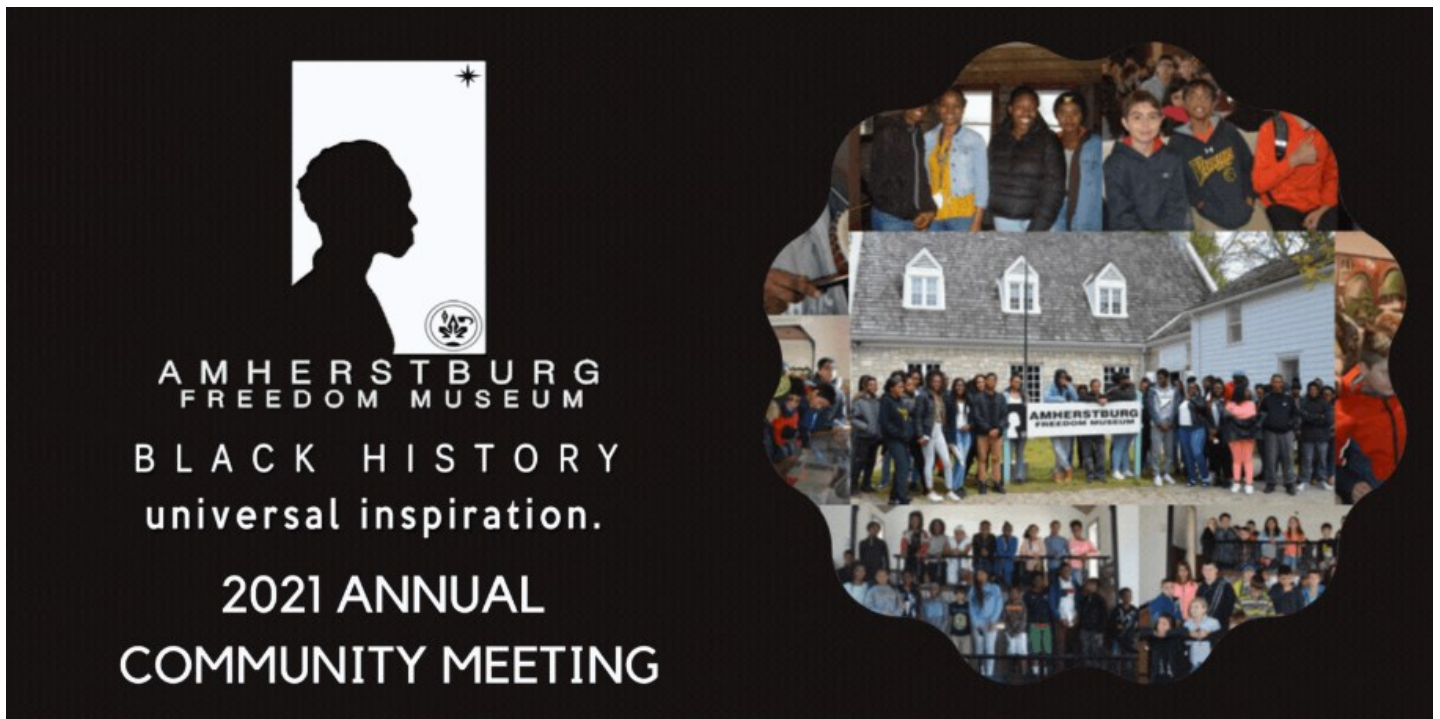
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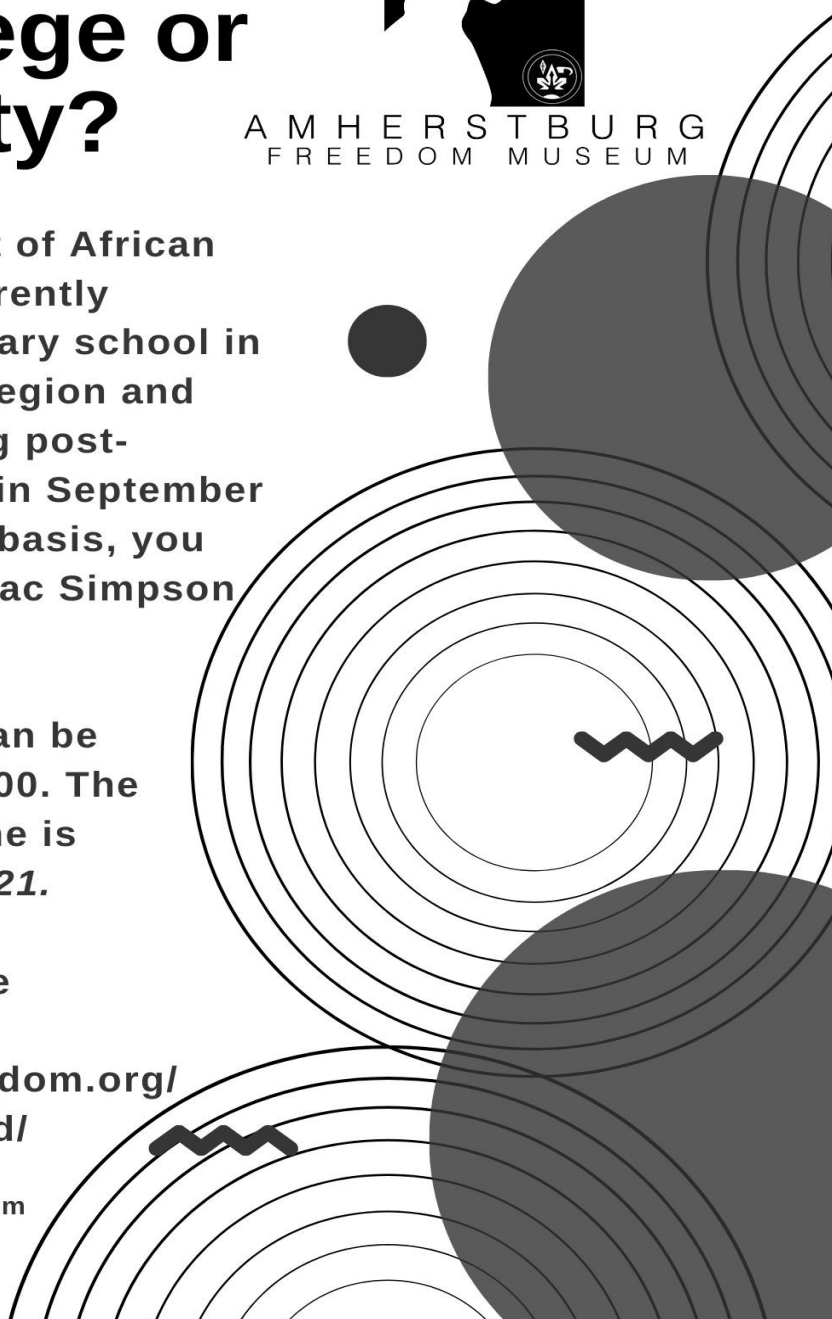
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If you are a student of African descent who is currently attending a secondary school in the Essex County region and will be commencing post-secondary studies in September 2021 on a full-time basis, you can apply for the Mac Simpson Award!

Eligible students can be awarded up to \$1,500. The submission deadline is *Friday, June 11, 2021.*

Applications can be downloaded at amherstburgfreedom.org/mac-simpson-award/

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Maturine-Romain Award

Deadline to apply is June 18, 2021. Applications can be downloaded at www.amherstburgfreedom.org/maturine-romain/

The Maturine-Romain Award

A one-time scholarship of up to \$2,000 may be awarded annually by The Amherstburg Freedom Museum on Behalf of Dr. Bernice McKenzie

About

- To honour the memory and lives of Evelina Maturine and Lucie Romain, the grandmothers of Dr. Bernice McKenzie, this scholarship has been created to support and encourage students of African descent as they pursue post-secondary studies.

Eligibility

- This award will be given annually to at least one student of African descent who is currently attending a secondary school in the Essex County area and will be commencing post-secondary studies in September 2021 on a full-time basis (students will be required to provide proof of attendance).

Application Forms

- Applications can be downloaded at www.amherstburgfreedom.org/maturine-romain/

Deadline to Apply

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