



# The TALKING DRUM

## Stories

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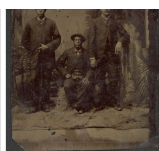
### Remembrance Day

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.



### Christmas at the Museum!

**Reacquainted: Sharing the Alvin D. McCurdy Fonds with Amherstburg and Beyond**



### “Getting Reacquainted: Sharing the Alvin D. McCurdy Fonds with Amherstburg and Beyond”



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## In Remembrance of Those Who Served



On Remembrance Day, AFM Board & Staff had the privilege of attending two Remembrance Day ceremonies: one in Amherstburg and another in Windsor where we laid out a wreath in remembrance of the No. 2 Construction Battalion. We honour all those who served and continue to serve, and remember your sacrifice.

Additional thanks to Jodi Bridgen for

creating the ribbon for our wreath.



On Thursday, November 11th, the Amherstburg Freedom Museum hosted a presentation by Shantelle Browning-Morgan and Catherine MacDonald titled "Fighting a Double War: Remembering Windsor's Unsung Black Heroes Who Fought Fascism Overseas and Racism at Home." To watch Shantelle and Catherine's presentation, please go to our Facebook page—<https://www.facebook.com/AmherstburgFreedom/videos/4667104219977122/>

OR/ Website—<https://amherstburgfreedom.org/events-fb-live>

Shantelle and Catherine also shared a list of resources for you to learn more including:

-Inconsistencies in the RCAF -<https://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/video-gallery/video/8987>

-Mathias Joost "Racism and Enlistment The Second World War Policies of the Royal Canadian Air Force." Canadian Military History 21, 1 (2015) <https://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng>

-War Diary of the No.3 C.W.A.C. Basic Training Centre, Kitchener, Ontario – July 1-July 31, 1944 Volume XXII

-War Diary of the No.3 C.W.A.C. Basic Training Centre, Kitchener, Ontario – August 1-August 31, 1944 Volume XXIII

-Black Canadian Veterans Stories - Facebook Page

### 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](mailto:curator@amherstburgfreedom.org)

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## Christmas at the Museum!

Join us on Wednesday, December 15th at 7pm for Christmas at the Museum featuring performances by Black Orchid, Black Kids in Action and Brett Logan. Happening on our Facebook and YouTube pages! You can also make a donation and bid on fantastic prizes in our silent auction (happening December 12th-16th at 12pm) at [CAM2021.givesmart.com](https://CAM2021.givesmart.com) Thank you to our generous sponsor James H. Sutton Funeral Home.

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## Getting Reacquainted: Sharing the Alvin D. McCurdy Fonds

Join us on December 2nd at 2pm on our Facebook Page for “Getting Reacquainted: Sharing the Alvin D. McCurdy Fonds with Amherstburg and Beyond”



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A Presentation  
by Archives of Ontario Senior  
Archivist, Sean  
Smith

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2,  
2021 AT 2PM

Live on our Facebook Page  
[/AmherstburgFreedom/](#)





## Amherstburg Age-Friendly Initiative Survey



### Age-Friendly Communities

Are you a senior or person living with a disability or chronic conditions such as Arthritis, COPD, Diabetes, Hearing loss, Depression and or Anxiety?

#### The Town of Amherstburg Needs Your Feedback

The purpose is to assess the unmet needs of seniors and people with disabilities (visible & invisible) using an 8 Domain Framework developed by the World Health Organization (WHO) and supported by the Provincial Ministry of Seniors and Accessibilities. Needs identified from the surveys will be presented to Town Council in the winter of 2022.

The survey uses a check-list style and takes approximately 10 minutes to complete.

The link to the survey is here:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LKHDM2P>

If you are interested in receiving a paper copy of, please contact Dawn Maziak at 519-280-5240





Check out our Giftshop!



Are you tired of giving the same Christmas gifts year after year? Amherstburg Freedom Museum is here to help! We just added this beautiful 'North Star' Christmas ornament which is handmade by tinsmiths from the Park House Museum and Milo Johnson's book of poetry, *The Color of Freedom*.

There is also a great selection of books for kids and adults, games, and postcards, plus AFM merchandise like t-shirts, bag tags, pens, mugs and masks. All of these great gifts can be purchased at the Amherstburg Freedom Museum (277 King Street, Amherstburg) or our online giftshop <https://amherstburg-freedom-museum.myshopify.com/>

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