

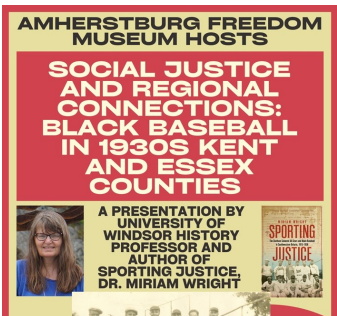


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About Us

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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Christmas at the Museum Recap!

Thank you to everyone who came out for Christmas at the Museum on December 6th! The program included a fantastic performance by Josh Johnson and Walter Senko, a silent auction, and refreshments following the musical performance. Amherstburg Freedom Museum Director Dr. Brenda McCurdy acted as emcee and AFM Vice President Barb Porter shared highlights from 2023 and what to expect in 2024.

We also had a very special moment when a donation in honour of the late Juanita Year Wood, was presented to the Amherstburg Freedom Museum and The Amherstburg Food and Fellowship Mission, which was presented by Juanita's son Joel and grandson Brett. The Amherstburg Freedom Museum also continued its annual tradition of donating canned goods to the mission which was accepted by Tim and Violet McAllister.



We would also like to thank our generous sponsor Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History and everyone who donated to the Christmas at the Museum silent auction including Marlene Crepp, Ruth Bridgen, Bev Bridgen, Helen Geddes, Jodi Booth, Cari-Lynn Ristic, Barb Porter, Sheneese Johnson, Shawn Harrison, Mary-Katherine Whelan and Dr. Lorene Bridgen-Lennie.



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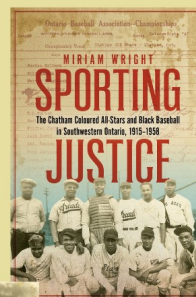
Join us for the next Black History Series presentation, "Social Justice and Regional Connections: Black Baseball in 1930s Kent and Essex Counties," with Dr. Miriam Wright. To join on January 17th, please go to <https://ow.ly/YSY750QexMh>

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To learn more and apply, please go to <https://www.essex.ca/en/discover/heritage-farm-program.aspx>

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