

Lake Champlain Voyages of Discovery: Bringing History Home

Schedule Summary

The archaeology project in 2007 will focus on the French settlement period in Vermont and results will provide information for an interactive web site and for an hour-long PBS documentary. The film will encompass the region's indigenous Iroquois and Abenaki cultures, Samuel de Champlain and early French settlers, later residents who came from Britain and elsewhere, as well as historic events. Production will take place primarily in the summer of 2007.

The archaeology report and documentary will be completed in 2008.

Schedule Details

Winter/Spring 2007: plan and research the documentary and archaeology project

Spring 2007: 2 week walk-over archaeological survey with landowners on the Lake Champlain shoreline in Panton, Addison, and Bridport

Summer 2007: 3 week archaeological field school with volunteers and educators at DAR State Park; related lesson plan development by educators; production phase of documentary

Fall/Winter/Spring 2007-08: write final report and develop interactive web site of archaeology project, conduct local public discussions and programming at Bixby Library; write and edit documentary

Summer/Fall 2008: premier documentary in the fall of 2008; produce educational guide for distribution with the film (on DVD); design exhibit at Chimney Point and the educational units based on the archaeology project