

# **MASTER AND COMMANDER SCHEDULE**

*(subject to change)*

*A Weekend in the world of Admiral Lord Nelson,  
Jack Aubrey & Stephen Maturin*

**SEPTEMBER 22-24, 2017**

*at Historic Montgomery's Inn*

*Fort York, Campbell House, & aboard tall ship Playfair*

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22**

**Daytime programme**

9.30 – Meet at Fort York; weekend registration

10 - 11.30 – Tour of National Historic Site Fort York

11.30 - 12.15 – Bring-your-own lunch

12.30 - 3 – Cruise (and optional crewing) aboard Toronto Brigantine tall ship *Playfair*

3.30 - 5 – Tea and tour of the elegant Georgian-era Campbell House Museum

6 pm – Welcome and weekend registration opens at Montgomery's Inn

6 – Dressing bell

7 – A simple but hearty cold supper of historical foods, tea, coffee; cash bar

8 - 10.30 – Live music by The Interpreters; sea shanties, ballads; hornpipe demo and lesson by Zakota Nesbit; bad naval poetry contest; historical games and newspapers; door prizes; lamplight tour of the Inn; cash bar

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

Montgomery's Inn

*Please note that some afternoon sessions are concurrent*

10.30 - 11.45 – Hot Georgian breakfast by the fire, including tea, coffee and chocolate (*Tea Room*)

Grog ration (*Bar Room*)

*An afternoon of lectures, hands-on workshops, displays and naval/1812-era merchandise*

*All Saturday lectures will take place in the Tea Room*

12 - 12.45 – [Victor Suthren](#), “Jack’s World: Life at Sea in a Regency Warship”

12.55 - 1.40 – Thomas Hurlbut, "Captain Aubrey's Commands: Real and Imagined" – the truth behind Jack’s career at sea

1.50 - 2.35 – Chipp Reid on the Royal Marines

2.45 – 3.15 – Lieutenants’ Examination Board, to be conducted by the senior officers present (*Assembly Room*)

3.45 - 5 – Real Men Did Dance – Pre-ball beginners’ Regency dance workshop. No lead or follow; no partner or dance experience needed! (Please note: this workshop is required for dancing in the evening unless arranged otherwise with the Dancing Mistress; beginners and “two-left-footers” are welcome at this fun and friendly session, and warmly encouraged to attend!). Gentlemen are permitted to take the workshop in their shirtsleeves. (*Either the tea room or the Assembly Room; the location will be announced on Saturday*)

4.15 - 5.15 – Everything you wanted to know about bosun’s calls, but were afraid to ask – with Glendon Hovey (*Out of doors*)

2.45 – 3.30 – Cutlass 101 with Elizabeth Hovey – (*Out of doors*)

4.30 - 5.15 – Cutlass 201 with Elizabeth Hovey – (*Out of doors*)

3.30 – 4.15 – Royal Marines – pike and musket drill (*Out of doors*)

***Throughout the day:***

Merchants’ hall

Andre Reed’s display & discussion of antique navigational instruments

Fritz the Ship's Carpenter

Knot-tying with John McMorland (*Bar Room*)

Games and historical newspapers (*Bar Room*)

Aubrey-Maturin discussion group (*various topics; Assembly Room, historic kitchen*)

Reading/acting out our favourite scenes – bring your own book (*Assembly Room*)

5.15 pm – The dressing bell

6 – Piping the hands to dinner (*Tea Room*)

7.30 – Lamplight tour of the Inn

8 - 10.30 – Ball at Melbury Lodge, 1802 – live music; games, newspapers and discussion groups upstairs in the bar for those not dancing. The evening includes a break, at which time coffee, tea and ices will be served out to the assembled company. (*Tea Room*)

## **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24**

Montgomery's Inn

Registration 10 a.m.

10.45 - 12 – Hot Georgian breakfast by the fire, including tea, coffee and chocolate (*Tea Room*)

Grog ration – (*Bar Room*)

*An afternoon of lectures, hands-on workshops, displays and naval/1812-era merchandise*  
*(please note that some sessions are concurrent and that all Sunday lectures will take place in the Bar Room)*

12.30 pm – Rigging church, piping to divisions and reading the Articles of War (*Assembly Room*)

1.30 – The Austen Brothers: Admirals of England. – Commodore Thomas Hurlbut of the Crown Forces of North America Naval Establishment takes us into the fascinating world of the Austen brothers' careers in the Royal Navy. (*Bar Room*)

2.30 - 3.15 – Ken Purvis, Museum Co-ordinator at Montgomery's Inn, speaking on the [John Buttrey music manuscript](#) (*Bar Room*)

3.30 - 4.15 – Lecture on postal arrangements and letter-writing in the Royal Navy by Kat Akerfeldt of [Toronto's First Post Office](#) (*Bar Room*)

3.30 - 4.15 – Cutlass 101 – with Elizabeth Hovey (*Out of doors*)

4.15 - 5 – Hands-on letter-writing workshop with quill pen and sealing wax by Kat Akerfeldt (*Bar Room*)

4.15 - 5.15 – Everything you wanted to know about bosun's calls, but were afraid to ask – with Glendon Hovey (*Out of doors*)

4.30 - 5.15 – Cutlass 201 with Elizabeth Hovey – (*Out of doors*)

3.30 – 4.15 – Royal Marines – pike and musket drill (*Out of doors*)

***Throughout most of the afternoon:***

Games, newspapers & other fashionable publications of the day, space for letter-writing (*historic kitchen*)

Merchants' hall

Fritz the Ship's Carpenter

Andre Reed's display & discussion of antique navigational instruments

Aubrey-Maturin discussion group (*various topics; Assembly Room*)

Tea

6.30 – A delicious Georgian supper by the fire to send us off. Mingle, chat & see you next year!