

# **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 – Sea chanties, ballads; hornpipes demo and lesson; bad naval poetry contest; historical games and newspapers; door prizes; lamplight tour of the Inn; cash bar

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

*Please note that some afternoon sessions are concurrent*

10.30 - 11.45 – Hot Georgian breakfast by the fire, including tea, coffee and chocolate

Grog ration

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

12 - 12.50 – [Victor Suthren](#), “Jack’s World: Life at Sea in a Regency Warship”

1 - 1.50 – Thomas Hurlbut, "Captain Aubrey's Commands: Real and Imagined" – the truth behind Jack’s career at sea

2 - 3 – Lieutenants’ Examination Board, to be conducted by the senior officers present

3.15 - 4.45 – 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.

Bosun’s calls with Elizabeth Hovey

Cutlass drill and lesson with Elizabeth and Glendon Hovey

Royal Marines – pike and musket drill

***Throughout the day:***

Merchants’ hall

Andre Reed’s display & discussion of antique navigational instruments

Fritz the Ship’s Carpenter

Knot-tying with John McMorland

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 pm – The dressing bell

6 – Piping the hands to dinner

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 a sweet will be served out to the assembled company.

## **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24**

Registration 10 a.m.

10.45 - 12 – Hot Georgian breakfast by the fire, including tea, coffee and chocolate

Grog ration – Bar Room

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

*(please note that some sessions are concurrent)*

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

3.15 - 4 – Hands-on letter-writing workshop with quill pen and sealing wax by Kat Akerfeldt (*Bar Room*)

Bosun's calls with Elizabeth Hovey

Cutlass drill and lesson with Elizabeth and Glendon Hovey

Royal Marines – pike and musket drill

Ken Purvis speaking on the John Buttrey MS

***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!