

EDUCATION PROGRAMS AT

Sainte-Marie among the Hurons

The mission community of Sainte-Marie was founded by the French Jesuits in 1639 in the land of the Wendat people. Come and relive this period of your history through curriculum-related education programs. We get students involved in activities that catch the spirit of the past.

Our education programs are co-sponsored by the Friends of Sainte-Marie and Huronia Historical Parks

PRIMARY children love **THE WENDAT ADVENTURE**, a half-day of small group activities which focus on Canada's original peoples. In the native area, students find out about clothing, medicine, survival skills and food preparation.

(mid-October/November)

HURONIA ENCOUNTER vividly dramatizes the interaction between the 17th century French and native Wendat cultures. The full-day program for INTERMEDIATE students offers a variety of small group activity sessions and lively drama which culminates in an absorbing simulation where the students literally step into the shoes of the historic characters. (mid-October/November)

In **FRENCHMEN IN WENDAKE**, JUNIOR students have a full-day opportunity to learn about the life and work of a historic community — Ontario's first European settlement. Through drama, discussion and hands-on activity, students learn about the priests, their workers and native people who visited the mission. (mid-October/November)



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(September/early November) (May/mid-June)



When INTERMEDIATE students participate in THE DONNÉS' CONTRACT, they make a commitment to work at the mission for a day. The winter experience is filled with opportunities for carpentry, blacksmithing and cooking at the hearth. Outdoor activities include fire-starting, snowshoeing and native games. (January)



INTERMEDIATE and SENIOR students plan for a three-day, two-night LIVE-IN experience. Participants leave the 20th century behind, as they cook meals, sleep, tend fires, and undertake craft projects - all within the reconstructed site of Sainte-Marie. Outdoor activities include snowsnake competitions and moonlit snowshoe hikes. Evenings may be devoted to longhouse lore and French songs by the fire. Each student leaves with his/her own handcrafted project as well as a host of unique memories of winter life as it was in an isolated 17th century mission community. (February/mid-March)

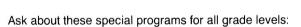
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- 1. THE MOON OF WINTERTIME celebrates a 17th century Christmas where Canada's first Christmas carol originated. (December)
- 2. SPRING HARVEST is a woodland exploration of sap gathering and maple syrup making through the centuries. (mid-March)
- 3. OUTREACH SAINTE-MARIE History can come calling to your school board area with a kit containing artifacts and activities. (September-June)





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