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## 1000 Islands Family Day Is June 8th

CLAYTON, New York (June 1, 2019) – The Antique Boat Museum, North America’s premier freshwater boating museum based in Clayton, NY, announced today the details of their popular 1000 Islands Family Day that will be held Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup>. Free admission to the ABM is offered all day and fun family activities will be held from 10 AM – 3PM.

1000 Islands Family Day was first held in 1997, making this year the 22<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of this FREE special event. 1000 Islands Family Day was originally created as an opportunity to bring the local community into the ABM and that remains the mission of the event today.

Visitors will enjoy the chance to row a skiff, light picnic lunch for nominal fee (while supplies last), crafts and games for kids, tours of *La Duchesse* the historic houseboat originally owned by George Boldt, fishing with a local guide, and much more. Antique boat rides ARE running and will be available at 1000 Islands Family Day this year! Boat rides will be \$5 per person, cash only (ATM available in the Museum Store).

The Antique Boat Museum is thrilled to have the 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division Band from Fort Drum perform at Family Day! They will be joined by many local organizations promoting their summer activities and programs. The local organizations include Thousand Islands Arts Center, Hawn Memorial Library, Minna Anthony Nature Center, Save the River, Classic Island Cruises, the Clayton Fishing Guides Association, Thousand Islands Land Trust, Thousand Islands Emergency Rescue Services, and United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, among others.

In coordination with the Clayton Chamber of Commerce, a complimentary shuttle will be available on Saturday from 11 AM – 6 PM and on Sunday from 12 PM – 5 PM. The shuttle will make three stops: at the ABM, Cerow Rec Park Arena (where the Great NYS Food & Wine Festival will be taking place), and in downtown Clayton near Frink Park.

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**Enclosures (1 JPEG)**

10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division Band, Kids Yoga with River Yoga, Ride on *Miss Thousand Islands II*, Games, Row a St. Lawrence Skiff, and Learn to Fish with Save the River and Classic Island Cruises.

**About ABM**



Located on the St. Lawrence River in upstate NY, ABM features a collection of over 300 antique and classic boats and thousands of recreational boating artifacts. Each summer the waterfront campus comes alive with numerous educational programs and special events, including the longest running antique boat show in North America. For more information, please visit the Museum's website at [abm.org](http://abm.org).

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