

## Events



### 2012 Events

#### **HISTORIC DUTCH TRADE FAIR**

**May 5-6, 2012, 10 am - 6 pm**

Continuing May 7-12 with selected Historic Merchants

Wind your way through the historic camp filled with colonial merchants and re-enactors. Learn what Dutch trade items were sought after 200 years ago and shop for your own piece of the past to take home!

The Historic Dutch Trade Fair is held during the nationally known Tulip Time Festival where over 150,000 tulips and Windmill Island's 18th century Dutch windmill take a central role.

Tulip Time celebrates the heritage of the Dutch who settled Holland, Michigan. The Historic Dutch Trade Fair celebrates the influence of the Dutch who shaped colonial America.

Re-enactors representing a variety of different cultures show how trade helped create the multiculturalism of colonial society.

Those whose lives revolved around trade including Native Americans, voyageurs, fur traders, merchants, and tradesmen & women will help share their part of this American story.

#### **HISTORIC DUTCH TRADE FAIR SCHOOL DAY PROGRAM**

**Friday, May 4, 2012, 9:30 am - 2:30 pm**

School groups and home school students are invited to participate in this structured program. Two sessions will be offered including a morning session from 9:30 am to 11:30 am, and an afternoon session from 12:30 pm to 2:30 pm. Students will have the opportunity to hear up to 10 historic presenters explain their trade and demonstrate their skills. This program is geared for the curriculum of 3rd, 4th and 5th graders.

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Reservations are required for this program. Please inquire about group rates. You may call (616) 928-0585 and speak to Alisa for a reservation, or email [a.crawford@cityofholland.com](mailto:a.crawford@cityofholland.com).

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