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Boston Tea Party Ships & Museum shares key time in history

At the Boston Tea Party Ships & Museum, students relive The Boston Tea Party and its immediate aftermath. The floating museum takes students back to 1773–1775 with actors, tea-throwing reenactments, interactive exhibits, authentic replica ships and a multi-sensory film.

“Student groups will really see, hear and experience history at the Boston Tea Party Ships & Museum,” said Shawn P. Ford, executive director. “We love working with student groups and teaching them in a fun and interactive way about history. The museum is a museum of experience, led by costumed actors, versus a museum filled with artifacts.”

The Boston Tea Party Ships & Museum is situated over the same body of water where The Boston Tea Party took place 245 years ago. The museum tells

the story of the events leading up to and immediately after December 16, 1773.

During a tour, students join Samuel Adams and other Sons and Daughters of Liberty through an interactive, Colonial town meeting, then onto a historically accurate replica vessel to “dump the tea” into Boston’s historic waters. Below deck, they learn about life at sea during the 18th century.

Inside the museum, students listen to holographs of two women debating their opposing views the day after The Boston Tea Party occurred, and experience actual heated written correspondence come to life between King George III and Samuel Adams. A newly expanded exhibit, which opened earlier this year, displays a vial of tea believed to be from The Boston Tea Party. On loan for 10



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years from Old North Foundation of Boston, the vial of tea is on display in conjunction with the Robinson Half Chest, the only known surviving tea chest from The Boston Tea Party. ■

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