

## Schedule of Events

### Fourth Annual Acadian Memorial Festival

March 15, 2008 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

2008 Theme: *"Tribute to the Spirit of Acadian Women"*

Festival Flower: Louisiana Iris ♣ Mascot: Dragon Fly

Buy a lapel pin to show support for the Acadian Memorial - \$5.00

Festival Poster Signed & Numbered - Limited Supply ☺ \$20.00



10:00 a.m.

Welcome & Opening Ceremonies: Introduction of Special Guest/ Poet Laureate Darrell Bourque / Christy Maraist - "Emmeline" counterpart of Longfellow's "Evangeline" / Dr. Ray Brassieur, ULL Wooden Boats Introduction / Yvon Cyr – Genealogist / Ben Benoit – Author of "Surviving Damnation" / Announce past honored Acadians: Broussard, Hebert, LeBlanc, Trahan

10:30 a.m.

- 1) "Renaissance Cadiene Cajun Dance Troupe" kicks off the Festival .
- 2) 1929 Film "Evangeline" & View a Poster Collection display of the history of the French in LA - Sneak Preview of the Teche Theatre Renovation "Open House" - First showing since 1960 . Main St. Across from Church

10:45 a.m.

- 1) Acadian Boat Lecture/Slide show – Dr. Ray Brassieur Acadian Memorial Conf. Rm. (upstairs)

11:00 a.m.

- 1) Food Court Opens.
- 2) Acadian Memorial -Théâtre Acadian - Deportation Vignettes
- 3) Christy Maraist - "Emmeline" Counterpart of Longfellow's "Evangeline - Old Castillo Hotel: La Place du Evangeline "
- 4) 11:00 a.m. - Cajun music by "Moi-J'aime-ca-Comme-Ca (I-Like-It-Like-That)" Stage.
- 5) Bourque Fly. Meeting – Opera House - Main St.

11:30 a.m.

- 1) Back Porch (Acadian Memorial) Jam Sessions with Mike and Ken. Bring your instruments.

12:00 p.m.

- 1) Yvon Cyr - Genealogy Workshop - City Hall
- 2) Théâtre Acadian - Deportation Vignettes Acadian Memorial.
- 3) Le Courir du Mardis Gras Traditions– "The Chicken That Got Away" & Skit - Cheri Armentor, Author & Instructor - Old Tourism Building "Blue House"

12:30 p.m.

- 1) 1929 Film "Evangeline" & View a Poster Collection display of the history of the French in LA - Sneak Preview of the Teche Theatre

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1:00 p.m.

- 1) Re-enactment of the Arrival of the Acadians - Honoring Bourque and Landry Families / Evangeline Queen 2008 –International Acadian Festival, Plaquemine, LA & Homage to an esteemed Acadian, Darrell Bourque, Acadian's First Poet Laureate - Evangeline Oak Park Gazebo
- 2) Welcome to the Bourque and Landry family – history of families - Evangeline Oak Park Gazebo.

2:00 p.m.

- 1) Band resumes "Moi-J'aime-ca-Comme-Ca" (I-Like-It-LikeThat)
- 2) Heritage Center– Media Room – Ben Benoit Acadian Author, Surviving Damnation. Talk & demonstration of the "aboiteau" (Levee system of Acadie).
- 3) Old Tourism Building "Blue House" / Story Telling - "Fiddles & Spoons: An Acadian Mouse's Deportation Story").

2:15 p.m.

- 1) Acadian Memorial Hall - Acadian Poem Readings (Reading 5 to 6 Acadian poems starting with the Bourque Family Name– Dr. Darrell Bourque

2:45 p.m.

- 1) Egg Knocking Contest - "Blue House".

4:00 p.m.

Festival Closes - Thank YOU for your support.