

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

In a true workshop, youth work alongside experienced craftspeople, learning to use tools and restore historic wooden boats while building friendships along the way.



No experience needed
Discover a new craft
Have fun!



LEARN · BUILD · CONNECT

- Woodworking fundamentals
- Safe tool use and workshop practices
- Daily hands-on restoration sessions
- Small-group, mentor-guided learning
- Team-based learning and collaboration
- Problem-solving and craftsmanship
- Confidence, leadership, and independence



"Thank you so much for sharing all your knowledge and teaching me tons! I look forward to coming back again! - Ben, age 11"

MÉTIS BOATBUILDING HERITAGE

Wooden boatbuilding has deep roots in Georgian Bay's shoreline communities. Métis craftspeople contributed to this regional tradition through generations of skilled work from boatbuilding to repair and restoration.



"A BOAT IS A CRAFT THAT CARRIES BOTH WORK AND WONDER."

MORE THAN SKILLS

Youth build confidence, form friendships, and take pride in what they create together - seeing their skills come to life in authentic wooden boats.



VOLUNTEER & GET INVOLVED

- Share skills and experience
- Support workshop projects
- Be part of a working legacy
- Help sustain and grow the program



THE GEORGIAN BAY HERITAGE LEAGUE
is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to restoring and preserving historic wooden boats.

Through education, restoration projects, and community programming, GBHL helps preserve and share Georgian Bay boating heritage with future generations.

This youth program supports that mission by providing hands-on learning opportunities that connect youth with heritage, skills, and community.

Contact us to save a place or to learn more about our organization.

GEORGIAN BAY HERITAGE LEAGUE

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