

# Historic Park to Celebrate French Canadian Culture

Summertime is the best time to enjoy free entertainment in your local national park! Fleur de Lis will be performing French Canadian music in the garden area of New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park in downtown New Bedford on Thursday evening, August 23 from 6:30 to



7:30 PM as part of its Thursday evening summer concert series. Then, on Saturday, August 25 from 12 noon-2 PM, Ron Tor Bendiksen will be demonstrating the art of net-making in the garden, while Ruth and Abby, the national park's 1850s ladies, offer a fun hands-on activity for children. The Saturday afternoon activities are part of the park's Maritime Heritage series. The concerts and maritime crafts are offered free each week at the park during July and August.

In addition to the Thursday evening concert, there will be a video on life in Canada (5:30 – 6:30), artifacts of French Canadian life, as well as posters, and books pertaining to French Canadian culture.