Project Summary

A 2008 Champlain Valley National Heritage Partnership Implementation Grant to the Lake Champlain Maritime Museum was instrumental in planning for the 2009 voyage of the replica canal schooner Lois McClure.

Beginning on May 8, 2009 and ending on September 20, 2009, the “Discover 1609” voyage brought the vessel to 21 ports of call. More than 20,000 people visited the vessel during the Quadricentennial year. The voyage was primarily supported through a $150,000 EPA grant managed by the LCBP and through donations from other public and private sources.

More than 20,000 people boarded the Lois McClure in 2009