

400th anniversary of Brule expedition arrives in Aurora on Saturday

This year marks the 400th anniversary of the exploration of Ontario by Samuel de Champlain and to mark the occasion the Societe d'histoire de Toronto is recreating the route likely taken by Etienne Brule and the Wendat from Lake Couchiching to the mouth of the Humber River by foot and canoe.

Those participating in the journey are expected to arrive in Aurora this Saturday, September 12 at approximately 12.45 p.m., making a stop at the historic Aurora Armoury. There, they will be greeted by MPP Chris Ballard, Mayor Geoff Dawe and other members of Council.

Participants will travel from Newmarket to Aurora via the Nokiidaa Trail, which links to Aurora on St. John's Sideroad just east of Yonge Street. Details of the Aurora stop are yet to be finalized, but local First Nations and musicians from the Queen's York Rangers have been invited to participate.

For more on the 400th anniversary, visit www.sht.ca.