



# Foundations

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## St. George's: Bermuda's Digital Classroom

### Heritage At your Fingertips!

Want to make a trip "down the country?" Do you want to look and see history come alive and have a front row seat? Well thanks to our generous community sponsor Advocates for Bermuda's Children, The St. George's Foundation can promise and deliver such experiences without leaving the classroom!

The St. George's Foundation has cut and pasted, dragged and dropped, and breathed new digital life into our website that is now a colorful, dynamic and seamless portal where the sights, sounds and sheer majestic glory await anyone who has a computer, a curious mind and willing fingertips.

Of particular significance for visitors is that through our website's newest interactive programmes, the World Heritage Digital Field Trip and 'A Day in the Life,' you are ushered into St. George's, Bermuda's historical treasure trove. How long you choose to stay is a personal choice, but there is much for inquiring minds to contemplate.

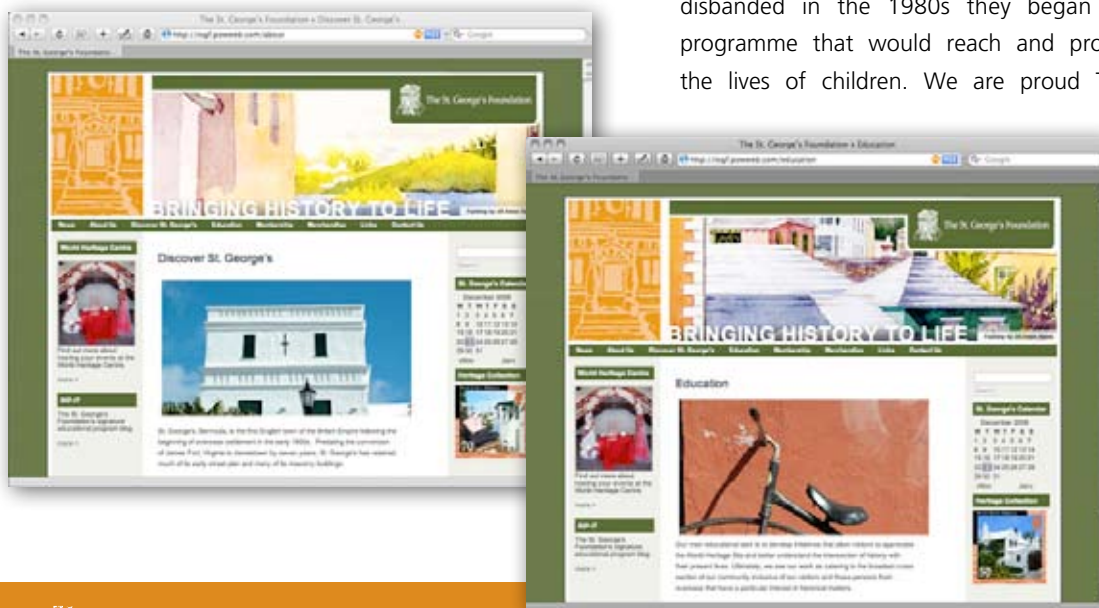
In commemoration of Bermuda's 400th anniversary the 'Day in the Life' series focuses on Bermuda's early settlement, those tentative yet intentional steps to forge a living in a new land. The ethos of perseverance through adversity and daring to create anew using local resources, is a spirit that is alive and well in our present day and in 2010 we will expand the programme to include living history narratives.

The new site also features past workshop resource materials, archived newsletters, and current events like the 400 for the 400th International Student Art Exhibition and UK World Heritage Youth Summit/World Heritage in Young Hands Programme.

Our website is the proverbial "Jewel in the Crown" of the myriad historical and cultural resources that are on offer at the St. George's Foundation and we encourage you to visit the World Heritage Centre and frequent our site.

We would like to offer our heartfelt thanks to Advocates for Bermuda's Children (ABC), an outgrowth of the 1979 International Year of the Child Committee. Once ABC disbanded in the 1980s they began searching for a programme that would reach and profoundly enhance the lives of children. We are proud The St. George's

Foundation was seen as a viable partner in such as worthwhile endeavour.



# 400 for the 400th: International Student Art Exhibition

Following on the heels of previous successful collaborations with community groups, The St. George's Foundation will work with the Masterworks Museum of Bermuda Art, the Ace Gallery and the Muscarelle Museum of Art in Williamsburg Virginia, to host the 2009 art showcase.

Bermuda's student artists are invited to pour their creative energies onto the canvass and interpret the significance of the historical links between Virginia and Bermuda.

The art exhibition is a continuation of TSGF's & Masterworks' summer collaboration called 'Bringing History to Life with Art.' Like the summer programme, the student art exchange will examine the relationship between history and art with particular focus on the Bermuda-Virginia connection.

Students are encouraged to submit their artistic interpretation of:

- Any aspect of the Sea Venture including the building of the Patience and Deliverance and their arrival in Jamestown in 1610.
- Early sites in St. George's including St. Peter's Church, the State House, Somers Garden, Fort St. Catherine, etc.
- Sites highlighting the Bermuda-Virginia connection like Tucker House, the Globe Hotel, Stiles House (presently Butterfield Bank), Shinbone Alley...
- A recreation of the Town of St. George (like the model in the World Heritage Centre).

Submissions are due at Masterworks Museum of Bermuda Art in The Botanical Gardens on February 28, 2009. The artwork will be on display at the World Heritage Centre and ACE Galleries during spring/summer 2009 and the Muscarelle Museum of Art, Williamsburg, Virginia this fall.

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