

## Piermaster's Green Excavation

The Museum of Liverpool Archaeology team will be leading a community archaeology excavation on Piermaster's Green, Royal Albert Dock (adjacent to the Piermaster's House) this summer. The project will investigate the site of two of the four houses which stood at Albert Parade, numbers 7 and 8 Albert Parade. These were the homes of dock masters and their families before they were destroyed during the Liverpool blitz of the Second World War. The residences were built in 1852 six years after the opening of the Royal Albert Dock 175 years ago!

### What do we hope to find?

We will be opening between two and three trenches and hope to uncover some of the foundations of the dock master's homes. We aim to find out more about family life on the docks by excavating where the dock masters and their families lived, worked and played and by examining material remains uncovered.

The excavation will enable us to tell more of the story of the docks, to engage with local communities and to teach new skills.

### How to get involved

We will be digging on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday each week from the 26<sup>th</sup> of May until 30<sup>th</sup> July with Covid-19 safety measures in place. If you would like to get involved with the excavation, we have 10 three day places available for local residents to volunteer, learn new skills and create memorable experiences.

If digging is not your thing we would love for you to come and see what we get up to on your daily walk, via social media and the web. There will also be research opportunities and post-excavation volunteering events during the second half of the project. We will be sharing what we discover throughout the project and if you have any memories of the houses or the docks we would love to hear those too.

To sign up as an excavation volunteer please email Vanessa Oakden, Curator of Regional & Community Archaeology at [Vanessa.Oakden@liverpoolmuseums.org.uk](mailto:Vanessa.Oakden@liverpoolmuseums.org.uk) by the 31<sup>st</sup> of March.



Albert Parade, The Illustrated London News, May 1886