



The Third Annual Craft Spirits Festival  
**Oct. 20 – 22, 2017**  
 Lunenburg, Nova Scotia  
 Schedule & Workshop Details

*Festival Mandate: Celebrate the growth of the Craft Spirits industry in Nova Scotia with a collection of fun, informative, delicious, playful events and workshops in the beautiful environment of Lunenburg.*

After two successful Craft Spirits Festivals in 2015 & 2016, we continue to improve and we're back with an even better event. We are repeating some of the most successful workshops and events, while introducing some innovative new opportunities to enjoy local spirits and learn more about how they are made and how to serve them. Best of all, you can check in on Friday and stay until Sunday at noon, never once needing to get back into your car!

## **Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup>**

**5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Spirited Away in Lunenburg Spirits Festival Preview

The Port By the NSLC – 5845 Clyde Street, Halifax

Join three of our participating distillers in Halifax at the Port for a preview of the Festival.

The event is free of charge and includes, tastings and cocktails. Come share the Festival buzz!

## **Friday, Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>**

**Noon – 5:00 p.m. Arrivals**

Pick up your passes and tickets at Ironworks Distillery, 2 Kempt Street

Check in at your accommodations.

**5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Spirited Dining:**

Explore Spirited Specials at several of Lunenburg's fine restaurants.

**7:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. Sip & Dash**

Always one of the most fun events of the Spirits Festival. Join one of eight ‘teams’. Everyone meets at the Smuggler’s Cove Inn then everyone divides up and goes to a different venue. Each venue has a mixologist with a wonderful signature cocktail or a Distiller with new products to sample and stories to tell of its creation. Every fifteen minutes you’ll march off to the next location. Discover some of Lunenburg’s secret places; this year’s location list includes the shop at Adams & Knickle Shop and other hidden gems.

**10:00 p.m. - The After Party: Relax and Chill**

Join other Festival visitors, Mixologists and Distillers for a late night cocktail party at the Smuggler’s Cove. Enjoy the performance of our visiting flair bartender, Matt Conway.

**Saturday, Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>****9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Breakfast: On your own.****10:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Workshops & Events**

Round One – Select one workshop or activity (see Workshop / Event Details below).

- Bottle Fishing (aka Rum Running) History & Rum Cocktails (Tickets required)
- DIY Gin: History, geography & gin! Create your own to take home (Tickets required)
- Sip & Scavenge: A Spirited Scavenger hunt through Lunenburg (Tickets required)

**12:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Lunch break: On your own****2:30 p.m.–4:00 p.m. Workshops & Events**

Round Two – Select one workshop or activity (see Workshop /Event Details below).

- Bottle Fishing (Rum Running) History & Rum Cocktail (Tickets required)
- DIY Gin making: Create your own bottle of Gin! (Tickets required)
- Bitter & Shaken: hand crafted bitters explained by the pros (Tickets required)
- Books & Booze: the cocktail as a literary character. (Tickets required)
- Beer Cocktails: A hot new cocktail trend (Tickets required)

**1:00 pm – 4:00 pm Fire & Water & Oak: Barrel Reconditioning**

Across from Ironworks Distillery at 2 Kempt Street, Master Cooper Pete Bradford will be re-conditioning oak barrels over fire. – No Ticket required! Come be amazed!

**5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Spirited Dining in Lunenburg:**

Explore Spirited Specials at several of Lunenburg’s fine restaurants.

**7:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. Spirited Away Gala: Lunenburg Opera House.**

Join with ten of our local craft distillers, as well as our special guests from the UK, Portobello Road Gin as they sample their products. Watch five mixologists show off their spirited talents. Catered by the talented students from the culinary arts programme at the NSCC Lunenburg campus, great company & smooth music in a

unique heritage setting.

### **10:30p.m. – 12:00 a.m. The After-party – Part II**

Late night cocktails at Smugglers Cove with our guest, flair bartender Matt Conway.

## **Sunday, Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup>**

### **Windup Brunch 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.**

Windup Breakfast at Lincoln Street Food, featuring locally sourced ingredients and virgin cocktails to smooth your departure.

## **WORKSHOP DETAILS:**

### **Bottle Fishing (aka Rum Running) History & Rum Cocktails:**

**Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup> – 10:30 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.**

**Location: Aboard the Theresa E. Connor schooner at the waterfront**

Mixologist: Shane Beehan. 90 minutes. Limit of 30 participants.

Quench your thirst for some Rum Running history on board the vessel, Theresa E. Connor, Canada's oldest salt-bank schooner, built in 1938. This event will include Rum cocktails, an irreverent Rum Running skit, an informed abridged Nova Scotia Rum Running history, a Rum distiller, and of course, all kinds of NS Rum samples.

### **DIY Gin making: Create your own bottle of Gin!**

**Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup> – 10:30 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.**

**Location: Ironworks Distillery Production Room, 2 Kempt Street**

Distillers: Lynne and special guests 90 minutes. Limit of 20 participants.

Vodka is science, but making Gin, that is an art! Explore one of the world's most personal spirits. Working with a couple of distillers, Lynne from Ironworks and our special guests, the distillers from Portobello Road Gin in London UK, you will be introduced to the many botanicals used in the production of Gin. Express your artistry and compound your own personal bottle of Gin to take home and all the while learning about Gin's wild and wooly history. All of this fun takes place at Ironworks Distillery.

### **Bitters & Shaken: Go beyond Angostura**

**Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup> – 2:30 p.m.**

**Location: Lunenburg School of the Arts,**

Mixologist / bitters Professors: Jeffrey Van Horne & Matt Boyle

We investigate the world of bitters and learn how to use them to create marvelous cocktails. Take a lesson in drink construction and then take your new skills home. Option to purchase a full kit of bartending equipment to take home with you.

**Beer Cocktails: A hot new cocktail trend****Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup> – 2:30 p.m.****Location: TBA**

Mixologist: Anne-Marie Bungay-Larose

Craft Brewer: Patrick Jardine of Saltbox Brewery, Mahone Bay.

At long last, premium local beer meets creative cocktail culture for the first time at our festival! Prepare to see your favourite beverages through a whole new lens with award-winning mixologist Anne-Marie Bungay and Craft Brewer Patrick Jardine of Salt Box Brewery. Bring your taste buds but leave your preconceptions at the door - this taste trend packs a whole lot of surprises!

**Books & Booze: Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2:30 p.m.**

Readers: An assortment of talented voices Mixologist: Michael Hopper

Join us for a spirited romp in the world of words with booze as our muse. From classics to Can-Lit, we'll listen to entertaining readings from volumes featuring some famous, fictional (and not so fictional) drinkers, all the while sipping on the cocktails they describe in such loving detail. Edification with libations. What could be more genteel! Developed with the help of **Lexicon Books**.

**EVENT DETAILS:****Sip 'n' Scavenge:****Saturday, October 21 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.****Locations: All over Lunenburg!**

Join us for Sip and Scavenge, the first ever Scavenger hunt of the Spirited Away weekend. Each team will begin at the starting location with a different clue, leading them on an exploration of Old Town Lunenburg through a curated hunt for people, places, things and of course, refreshments along the way. The winning team will win the bounty, and, in true Spirited Away style, you won't want to miss it!

**Spirited Dining: Friday and Saturday, October 20 & 21<sup>st</sup> -**

**5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Once again we have challenged Lunenburg's talented chefs to create something special integrating our local spirits into their menus! Please reserve directly at these participating restaurants.

**Sip & Dash: Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup>**

**7:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.**

Assorted Locations within blocks of each other!

Eight venues each with a mixologist creating fabulous cocktails or a local distiller presenting their products for sampling. We will take you to some of the hidden gems of Lunenburg like the Dory Shop - walk with your team from one venue to the next, exercise along with your libations – dare we say it's almost good for you?

**The After Party: Friday and Saturday, Oct. 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>**

**10:30 p.m. – 12:00 am**

Locations : Smuggler's Cove

Join other Festival visitors, Mixologists and Distillers for a late night cocktail party at the Smugglers Cove. Enjoy the performance of our visiting flair bartender, Matt Conway.

**Spirited Away Gala: Sat. Oct 21<sup>st</sup>, 7:30 pm – 10:30 pm**

Location: Lunenburg Opera House, 290 Lincoln Street

Join us again in the fabulously renovated Lunenburg Opera House. Craft Distillers from across Nova Scotia will be sampling and selling all their new products. A team of mixologists will be on hand mixing cocktails with Nova Scotia spirits/liqueurs. There will be great food created by the talented students from NS Community College Lunenburg Campus along with mellow music and minimal speeches. Last year was a party to remember, don't miss this year's.

**Wind Up Breakfast: 9:00 am – 10:30 am**

Location: Lincoln Street Food, 200 Lincoln Street

Well that was fun!

We wind up our weekend with the fine morning fare at Lincoln Street Food. Local foods, well prepared and beautifully presented. Bon voyage to all until next time.