

## Genealogical Resources

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## Recent Additions to the Collection

Items listed below without a **Ref.** designation may be borrowed. Call **604-331-3603** to request a book, or place your request through the online catalogue at **www.vpl.bibliocommons.com**.

**Ref.** items must be used in the library.

#### General

Finding Your Roots. Season 2
PBS Distribution, 2014
DVD 929.1 G25fa

Finding Your Roots. Season 3
PBS Distribution, 2016
DVD 929.1 G25fb

Fostering Family History Services: A Guide for Librarians, Archivists, and Volunteers by Rhonda L. Clark, 2016
Ref 027.6 C59f

The Name Therapist: How Growing Up With My Odd Name Taught Me Everything You Need to Know About Yours by Duana Taha, 2016 929.4 T12n

Organize Your Genealogy: Strategies and Solutions for Every Researcher by Drew (Andrew Martin) Smith, 2016 929.1 S640

The Rolnick Chromosomes: The Global Dispersion of the Rolnicks of Lithuania by Wilfred D. Stein, 2015 929.2 R75s

Seeing the Light: Four Decades in Chinatown by Dean Wong, 2016 979.77 W87s

#### Canada

Great Fortune Dream: The Struggles and Triumphs of Chinese Settlers in Canada, 1858-1966

by Chuenyan David Lai and Guo Ding, 2016 971.004 L18g

Hudson Bay Company Marriages, 1820-1851

by Gail Morin, 2016 929.371 M85h *Metis Families*, 3<sup>rd</sup> ed. by Gail Morin, 2016 929.371 M85m2

The Rise and Fall of Emilio Picariello by Adriana A. Davies, 2015 971.145 P59d

#### **British Columbia**

Homesteading and Stump Farming on the West Coast, 1880-1930: Powell River, Lund, Stillwater & Mysterious Horseshoe Valley by Barbara Ann Lambert, 2015 Ref. 971.133 P39L2h

Longshoring on the Fraser: Stories and History of ILWU Local 502/ ILWU Local 502 by Chris Madsen, Liam O'Flaherty, and Michelle La, 2016 331.88113875 M18L

Mapping My Way Home: A Gitxsan History by Neil J. Sterritt, 2016 970.2 S83m

Our Whole Bamfield Saga: Pioneer Life on Vancouver Island's West Coast by Judith Phillips, 2015 971.134 P560

Sakura in Stone: Victoria's Japanese Legacy

by Gordon Switzer and Ann-Lee Switzer, 2015 971.1004 S979s

Tide Rips & Back Eddies: Bill Proctor's Tales of Blackfish Sound

by Billy Proctor and Yvonne Maximchuk, 2015 971.11 P96t

Watershed Moments: A Pictorial History of Courtenay and District

by Christine Frances Dickinson, Judy Hagen, Deborah Griffiths, and Catherine Siba, 2015 971.12 D55w







## Where Mountains Meet the Sea: An Illustrated History of the District of North Vancouver

by Daniel Francis, 2016 971.133 F81w

Window to Freedom: A Journey of Survival by Marian Wiacek, 2016 940.548 W631w

#### **Prairie Provinces**

A World We Have Lost: Saskatchewan Before 1905

by W.A. Waiser, 2016 971.24 W14w

#### Ontario

Creating Kashubia: History, Memory, and Identity in Canada's First Polish Community by Joshua C. Blank, 2016 971.3004 B64c

The Italians Who Built Toronto: Italian Workers and Contractors in the City's Housebuilding Industry, 1950-1980 by Stefano Agnoletto, 2014 971.3004 A27i



#### Atlantic Provinces

Atlantic Canada's Unusual Place Names: Place Name Origins, Attractions, Legends, Characters, History, and Firsts by David Scott, 2015 910.3 C21s

Halifax: A Visual Legacy: 200+ Iconic Photographs of the City From 1853 to the Present

by William Naftel, 2015 971.622 N14h

### Written in the Ruins: Cape Breton Island's Second Pre-Columbian Chinese Settlement

by Paul Chiasson, 2016 971.6 C53w

#### Yukon

### Gold Rush in the Klondike: A Woman's Journey in 1898-99

by Josephine Knowles, 2016 971.91 K73g

#### **United States**

The Black Calhouns: From Civil War to Civil Rights With One African American Family by Gail Lumet Buckley, 2016 929.2 C15b

The Historical Atlas of New York City: A Visual Celebration of 400 Years of New York City's History, Rev. and Updated, 3<sup>rd</sup> ed. by Eric Homberger, 2016 974.71 H76h1

### New England Bound: Slavery and Colonization in Early America

by Wendy Warren, 2016 326 W29n

#### British Isles

#### **British Town Maps: A History**

by Roger J.P. Kain and Richard R. Oliver, 2015 912.41 K13b

### The Clans & Tartans of Scotland: A Guide to Scottish Family Names

by Neil Grant and contributing editor, Peter B. Stuart, 2015 929.2 C587s

### The London County Council Bomb Damage Maps, 1939-1945

by Laurence Ward, 2016 940.544 W25L

#### The Mistresses of Cliveden: Three Centuries of Scandal, Power, and Intrigue in an English Stately Home

by Natalie Livingstone, 2015 920.42 L788m

### The Seven: The Lives and Legacies of the Founding Fathers of the Irish Republic

by Ruth Dudley Edwards, 2016 941.50821 E26s

### The Vikings in Islay: The Place of Names in Hebridean Settlement History

by Alan Macniven, 2015 910.3 I827m

#### Europe

#### The Family Tree Polish, Czech & Slovak Genealogy Guide: How to Trace Your Family Tree in Eastern Europe

by Lisa A. Alzo, 2016 929.343 A47f

#### The Romanovs: 1613-1918

by Simon Sebag Montefiore, 2016 947.046 S44r

#### Trace Your German Roots Online: A Complete Guide to German Genealogy Websites

by James M. Beidler, 2016 929.343 B42t

#### Asia

### The Tears of the Rajas: Mutiny, Money and Marriage in India 1805-1905

by Ferdinand Mount, 2015 954.03 M92t

### Zhonghua Bai Jia Xing = The Chinese Family Names

Qi Lu Dian Zi Yin Xiang Chu Ban She, 2015 DVD CHI 929.4 Z637g





#### News from



This popular database for genealogical research is available at all branches of Vancouver Public Library.

#### **Updated and New Canadian**

#### **Databases**



- Biographical Dictionary of Canadian Jewry, 1897-1909
- Biographical Dictionary of Canadian Jewry, 1909-1914
- Canada, Photographic Albums of Settlement, 1892-1917
- Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, Canada, Homestead Grant Registers, 1872-1930
- Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada, Honeymoon and Visitor Registers, 1949-2011
- Ontario, Canada, Deaths, 1869-1938, 1943, and Deaths Overseas, 1939-1947
- Ontario, Canada, Marriages, 1801-1928, 1933-1934
- The Scot in North Britain, North Ireland, and North America
- Web: Canada, Virtual War Memorial Index, 1900-2014

#### **Updated and New United Kingdom**

#### Databases



- Beddington, Surrey, England, Royal Female Orphanage List of Children, 1890-1913
- Bexley, Kent, England, Electoral Registers, 1734-1965
- Bexley, Kent, England, WWI Registration Cards, 1914-1919
- Bodmin, Cornwall, England, Inmates at St. Lawrence's Asylum, 1840-1900
- Cornwall, England, Bodmin Gaol Records, 1821-1899

- Cornwall, England, Congregational and Baptist Church Registers, 1763-1923
- Cornwall, England, Militia and Sea Fencibles Index, 1780-1831
- Cornwall, England, Penzance Dispensary Admissions, 1828-1841
- Cornwall, England, Workhouse Admission and Discharge Records. 1839-1872
- Emigrants in Bondage, 1614-1775
- England & Scotland, Select Cemetery Registers, 1800-2014
- Glasgow, Lanarkshire, Scotland, Electoral Registers, 1857-1962
- Gloucestershire, England, Electoral Registers, 1832-1974
- Gloucestershire, England, Land Tax Records, 1713-1833
- Gloucestershire, England, Prison Records, 1728-1914
- Medway, Kent, England, Poor Law Union Records, 1836-1937
- Norfolk, England, Church of England Baptism, Marriages, and Burials, 1535-1812
- Norfolk, England, Church of England Births and Baptisms, 1813-1915
- Norfolk, England, Church of England Deaths and Burials, 1813-1990
- Norfolk, England, Church of England Marriages and Banns, 1754-1940
- The Scot in North Britain, North Ireland, and North America
- Scotland, Nursing Applications, 1921-1945
- Somerset, England, Church of England Baptisms, 1813-1914
- Somerset, England, Church of England Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials, 1531-1812
- Somerset, England, Church of England Burials, 1813-1914
- Somerset, England, Church of England Confirmations, 1843-1913
- Somerset, England, Gaol Registers, 1807-1879
- Somerset, England, Marriage Registers, Bonds and Allegations, 1754-1914

- Somerset, England, School Registers, 1860-1914
- Sutton, Surrey, England, Church of England Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, 1538-1812
- Sutton, Surrey, England, Church of England Births and Baptisms, 1813-1915
- Sutton, Surrey, England, Church of England Deaths and Burials, 1813-1985
- Sutton, Surrey, England, Church of England Marriages and Banns, 1754-1940
- Sutton, Surrey, England, Electoral Registers, 1931-1970
- Sutton, Surrey, England, Tax Collection Rate Books, 1783-1914
- Sutton, Surrey, England, Water Rate Books, 1868-1911
- Truro, Cornwall, England, Police Charge Books, 1846-1896
- UK & Ireland, Nursing Registers, 1898-1968
- UK & Ireland, Queen's Nursing Institute Rolls of Nurses, 1891-1931
- UK, British Army and Navy Birth, Marriage and Death Records, 1730-1960
- U.K., Civil Divorce Records, 1858-1915
- UK Merchant Seamen Deaths, 1939-1953
- UK, Registers of Births, Marriages and Deaths at Sea. 1844-1890
- UK, Registers of Births, Marriages and Deaths From British Consulates, 1810-1968
- Web: London, England, Proceedings of the Old Bailey and Ordinary's Accounts Index, 1674-1913
- Web: Scotland, Non-OPR Banns and Marriages Index, 1656-1875
- Web: Scotland, Non-OPR Births and Baptisms Index, 1666-1874
- Web: Scotland, Non-OPR Deaths and Burials Index, 1673-1855
- Web: UK, Chinese Maritime Customs Service Index, 1854-1950
- Web: United Kingdom, Royal Naval Seamen Index, 1853-1872



### News from FAMILY SEARCH

### Updated and New Canadian Collections

- Canadian Headstones
- New Brunswick, Saint John, Saint John, Burial Permits, 1889-1919
- Ontario, County Marriage Registers, 1858-1869
- Ontario, District Marriage Registers, 1801-1858

## United Kingdom and Ireland Collections Recently Added or Updated

- England and Wales Census, 1851
- England and Wales Census, 1881
- England, Lancashire, Oldham Cemetery Registers, 1797-2004
- England, Sussex, Parish Registers, 1538-1910
- United Kingdom, World War I Women's Army Auxiliary Corps Records, 1917-1920

FamilySearch has added millions of records online from around the world. Check out the new and updated collections that have been added to Australia & New Zealand, Continental Europe, South America and the United States. Click on Last Updated to get the latest additions to the collections.

Australia & New Zealand www.familysearch.org/search/collection/list /?page=1&region=AUSTRALIA\_NEW\_ZEAL AND

Continental Europe
www.familysearch.org/search/collection/list
/?page=1&region=EUROPE

South America www.familysearch.org/search/collection/list /?page=1&region=SOUTH\_AMERICA

United States of America www.familysearch.org/search/collection/list /?page=1&region=UNITED\_STATES

## New at the Vancouver Public Library

### This Vancouver & Explore This Vancouver

VPL launches **This Vancouver** online, the city's newest digital destination for local history. **This Vancouver**, an online home for preserving and sharing stories of our city, its events and its people, is the result of the library's collaboration with community members on community-based digital projects. Check out the following digital collections, part of the newly live **This Vancouver** at: **www.thisvancouver.vpl.ca/** 

- Carnegie Stories: Listen to the stories of the people living in the Downtown Eastside of Vancouver conducted by local resident Laurel Kimbley.
- Chinatown Stories: Stories about Vancouver's Chinatown as experienced by long-time Chinatown residents.
- Expo Retro: Shared memories in celebration of the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Expo 86.
- Remembering Our DTES Women: In collaboration with the Women's Memorial March Committee, the library has digitized the 120+ beautiful panels that form the Women's Memorial March Quilt.
- West End Stories: Listen to reminiscences about the West End; oral stories from individuals who grew up and went to school in Vancouver's West End.

 Winter in Vancouver: Scenic winter photographs from Vancouver Public Library's Philip Timms photography collection.

Explore This Vancouver is the library's newly launched cultural and local history tour app. For more information see: www.vpl.ca/find/details/app

Explore Vancouver Public Library's growing Historical Photographs of BC and Yukon collection at:

www.vpl.ca/find/details/historical\_photographs\_of\_bc\_and\_yukon

Learn more about recording, preserving and sharing stories and memories with our Storytelling with Interviews subject guide at: www.guides.vpl.ca/storytelling\_with\_interviews



#### FindMyPast \*

Check out these new and updated additions to the **FindMyPast** Collections at: **www.findmypast.com** 

- Britain, Children's Employment Commission Part 2, 1842
- Britain, Enemy Aliens and Internees,
   First and Second World Wars
- Britain, Knights of the Realm & Commonwealth Index
- British Army Casualty Lists 1939-1945
- British Army Casualty Lists 1939-1945 Image Browse
- British Newspapers 1710-1953
- British Royal Navy & Royal Marines, Battle of Jutland 1916 Servicemen
- British Royal Navy & Royal Marines Service and Pension Records, 1704-1919

- City of London, Gunmakers' Company Freedoms and Admissions, 1656-1936
- Devon, Plymouth Prison Records, 1832-1919
- Dorset Baptisms
- Ireland, Children's Employment Commission Part 2, 1842
- Ireland Dog Licence Registers
- Ireland, Outrage Reports 1836-1840
- Ireland Poor Law Reports
- Ireland, Society of Friends (Quaker) Births
- Irish Petty Sessions Court Registers 1828-1912
- London Post Office Directories 1842, 1851 and 1861, Browse
- Middlesex, London, Old Bailey Court Records, 1674-1913
- Prisoners of War 1715-1945
- Queensland Births 1829-1919
- South Australia Rate Books
- Surrey Marriages
- United States, Early American Families
- United States, Early American Vital Records
- United States Marriages
- United States, Transatlantic Migration
- Victoria Coastal Passenger Lists, 1852-1924
- Warwickshire, Birmingham, St Martin In the Bull Ring Parish Registers 1554-1929
- Warwickshire Burials
- Westminster Burials
- Westminster, Poor Law and Parish Administration
- Wiltshire Baptisms 1538-1866
- Yorkshire West Riding Marriages

<sup>\*</sup> NOTE: Full access to all is by subscription



## Canadian Archives and Genealogical Societies

#### **Archives of Ontario**

### Ontario Vital Statistics: Registrations of Births, Marriages and Deaths

The Archives of Ontario releases Vital Statistics records through Ancestry. Check what birth, marriage and death records are available at:

www.archives.gov.on.ca/en/microfilm/vsmain.aspx



### Bibliotheque et Archives Nationales du Québec

Revues et journaux québécois New additions to the collection include the following:

- L'Abeille canadienne, 1818-1819
   www.collections.banq.qc.ca/ark:/52327/2 656574
- Journal de l'instruction publique, 1857-1879
   www.collections.banq.qc.ca/ark:/52327/2 640936
- Le Journal de Québec, 1842-1889 www.collections.banq.qc.ca/ark:/52327/2 644731
- Jardin littéraire illustré, 1898 www.collections.banq.qc.ca/ark:/52327/2 640431
- Journal of education, 1857-1879 www.collections.banq.qc.ca/ark:/52327/2 641309
- Le foyer canadien, 1863-1866
   www.collections.banq.qc.ca/ark:/52327/2 656551
- Magasin du Bas-Canada, 1832
   www.collections.banq.qc.ca/ark:/52327/2
   656559

- Le magasin de Québec The Quebec magazine, 1792-1794 www.collections.banq.qc.ca/ark:/52327/2 656805
- The Scribbler, 1821-1827
   www.collections.banq.qc.ca/ark:/52327/2 664893
- The Snow drop or juvenile magazine, 1847-1853 www.collections.banq.qc.ca/ark:/52327/2 656731
- Bulletin des recherché historiques, 1895-1968 www.collections.banq.qc.ca/ark:/52327/2 656927

Browse Bibliotheque et Archives Nationales du Québec's **Digital Collection** at : www.banq.qc.ca/collections/ collection\_numerique/

### British Columbia Genealogical Society

### United Empire Loyalist Vancouver Branch Collection

"On Friday, September 16, 2016, members of the BC Genealogical Society (BCGS) and the Vancouver Branch of the United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada gathered to celebrate cutting of the ribbon for the UEL library collection, which is now housed at the BCGS Library in Surrey. The agreement between the two societies allows access to the entire BCGS collection.

The United Empire Loyalists are descendents of individuals and families loyal to the British Crown, who left the United States once the colonies separated from England in the late 1700s. Check out your ancestry at www.bcgs.ca/ or www.uelac.org/ to see if you are a descendent of a United Empire Loyalist."

From Rob Whitlock, President of the British Columbia Genealogical Society

#### **Nova Scotia Archives**

#### Vital Statistics Annual Update

Additional historical vital statistics have now been indexed and digitized. Check it out at: www.novascotiagenealogy.com/

#### Footprints in the Sand: Pre-1867 Government Records for Sable Island

Explore this web resource which provides a wealth of information of life in this Nova Scotia settlement.

www.novascotia.ca/archives/sable/

### Provincial Archives of New Brunswick

Kings County Record Newspaper: Death Index, 1897-1936

Access the death index to 11,262 entries from the Kings County Record newspaper produced by John Fynn.

www.archives.gnb.ca/Search/MC3952/default.aspx?culture=en-CA

#### **New Brunswick Great War Project**

Learn about New Brunswick's commitment to the Great War through the soldiers and nurses from New Brunswick, as well as through the news coverage of the war from three provincial newspapers, the Kings County Record, St. John Standard and Fredericton's Daily Gleaner.

www.archives.gnb.ca/Search/NBGWP/default.aspx?culture=en-CA

#### Victoria Genealogical Society Newspaper Events Index

This is an index with over 58,000 entries from a large assortment of newspaper clippings of births, marriages, obituaries, anniversaries, engagements, change of name notices and other social events.

www.victoriags.org/indexes/newspaper/newspaper.php



# Canadian Universities New and Updated Digital Initiatives

### **Brock University Woodruff Family Fonds**

This new addition to the university's digital collections chronicles the life of the Woodruff Family in Upper Canada, their involvement in the War of 1812, the Upper Canada Rebellions, the construction of the second Welland Canal, and much more.

www.dr.library.brocku.ca/handle/ 10464/6430

#### Simon Fraser University Digitized Collections

From images and photographs to diaries and oral histories explore Simon Fraser University's new **Digitized Collections** site. www.digital.lib.sfu.ca/#

#### **Digitized Newspapers**

Also, browse SFU's new **Digitized Newspapers** site at: **www.newspapers.lib.sfu.ca**/

### University of British Columbia Open Collections

The University of British Columbia Library's publicly accessible collections of digitized resources include books, manuscripts, newspapers, journals, audio-visual recordings, maps, photographs and more. Explore new additions to the following resources.

B.C. Historical Books www.open.library.ubc.ca/collections/ bcbooks

B.C. Historical Newspapers www.open.library.ubc.ca/collections/bcnewspapers

#### B.C. Sessional Papers www.open.library.ubc.ca/collections/ bcsessional

Browse UBC's **Open Collections** at: **www.open.library.ubc.ca**/

### University of Saskatchewan Remember Us

Learn about the one of a kind and rare materials from the University of Saskatchewan to commemorate the First World War Centenary. Check back for new additions to the website.

www.greatwar.usask.ca/

#### University of Toronto

lipad - Linked Parliamentary Data

The Canadian Parliamentary Debates ("Hansard") from 1901 to today has been digitized and is searchable. Search within for a particular location, politician, speaker, political party or topic of interest.

www.lipad.ca/

### University of Victoria British Colonist

This online collection of historic newspapers has now been expanded to cover the years from 1858 to 1950. Most recent additions to the collection cover the years from 1941 to 1950. www.britishcolonist.ca/index.html

#### **Chinese Canadian Artifacts Project**

Brings together and makes accessible in a single, searchable database over 6000 Chinese Canadian artifacts held by sixteen local and regional museums throughout British Columbia.

www.ccap.uvic.ca/index.php

### Mathew Ko Colour Films: Victoria's Chinatown and Region, c.1939-c.1950

The amateur films of Mathew Ko, which contain no sound tracks, captures family and community life in Victoria and the region from the late 1930s to early 1950s.

www.uvic.ca/library/featured/collections/asian/Mathew-Ko-Colour-Films.php

Browse through the university's **Digital Collections** at:

www.uvic.ca/library/featured/collections/
index.php



## Getting Started... Scandinavian Family History

(Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, Sweden)

Are you looking for your Scandinavian ancestors? Genealogists can begin their search with **Ancestry Library Edition** (accessible at the Vancouver Public Library) and/or with the Scandinavian data collections at **FamilySearch**.

Also, check out the following as potentially useful tools and resources, where everything from research guides to searchable databases to digital collections are available for family historians researching their Scandinavian roots.

Please **NOTE** that some tools and resources may not be available in English and some require either a subscription or membership for full access.



Danish National Archives www.sa.dk/en/

Dansk Demografisk Database www.ddd.dda.dk/ddd en.htm

My Danish Roots.com www.mydanishroots.com/

Samfundet for Dansk Genealogi og Personalhistorie (Society for Danish Genealogy and Personal History) www.genealogi.dk/

#### Finland +

Finland's Family History Association www.sukuhistoria.fi/sshy/index\_eng.htm

Genealogical Society of Finland www.genealogia.fi/index.php?language\_id= 1&p=226

Institute of Migration Emigrant Register Database www.maine.utu.fi/index\_e.php

National Archives Service of Finland Arkistolaitos www.arkisto.fi/en/frontpage

National Library of Finland Digi – Digital Collections www.digi.kansalliskirjasto.fi/

### Iceland

National Archives of Iceland www.skjalasafn.is/ national archives of iceland



National Archives of Norway Digital Archives www.arkivverket.no/eng/Digitalarkivet

Norway-Heritage www.norwayheritage.com/

Norwegian American Genealogical Center & Naeseth Library www.nagcnl.org/

Norwegian Historical Data Centre Faculty of Social Science, University of Tromse The Arctic University of Norway www.rhd.uit.no/indexeng.html



Arkivdigital www.arkivdigital.net/

Genealogiska Foreningen Genealogy Society of Sweden www.genealogi.net/

Swedish National Archives Riksarkivet www.riksarkivet.se/startpage

Swenson Swedish Immigration Research Center Augustana College www.augustana.edu/generalinformation/swenson-center

Look for additional help and resources through the Family History Research Wiki (www.familysearch.org/wiki/en) and Cyndi's List (www.cyndislist.com/).

#### Maps and Gazetteers



#### **City of Vancouver Archives**

The Vancouver Archives recently digitized 2100 historical maps of Vancouver and surrounding areas. These maps can be viewed through the Archives holdings search. www.searcharchives.vancouver.ca/search/advanced

A small number of them are on Flickr www.flickr.com/photos/vancouver-archives/sets/72157666436867171

#### **HistoryPin**

Check out this collaborative forum of "pinned" historical photos and shared stories and memories, telling the histories of local communities.

www.historypin.org/en/

### London Metropolitan Archives Collage, The London Picture Map

This digital photo archive of the city of London with more than 150,000 pictures mapped provides a visual street by street history of London.

www.collage.cityoflondon.gov.uk/london-picture-

map?WINID=1472251814468#51.5063044053 65%2F-

0.1259049224854607%2F13%2FRoadMap%2 F-1

#### **National Library of Wales**

**Cynefin: The Tithe Maps of Wales** 

This is a project to digitize and transcribe the tithe maps of Wales.

www.cynefin.archiveswales.org.uk/

### New York Public Library Map Warper

Learn about this tool, how you can participate and then search or browse the map collection. www.maps.nypl.org/warper

### United States National Archives and Records Administration

**Enumeration District Maps for United States 1950 Census** 

Enumeration District Maps are being added to the National Archives online catalog in preparation for the 1950 Census population schedule which will be released in April 2022.

www.unwritten-

record.blogs.archives.gov/2016/06/08/snaps hot-usa-1950-census-enumeration-district-maps



### Vancouver Vanishes Facebook Group

### Demolished Character Houses in Vancouver

Interactive map showing the locations, images and historical information about the character houses that have been demolished in Vancouver. Map will be updated as new findings become available. To view a Facebook account is needed.

www.facebook.com/VancouverVanishes

## New and Updated Digital Initiatives

#### **ArchiveGrid**

Check out the recent additions to ArchiveGrid, where primary source materials from historical documents to family histories to personal papers and much more can be accessed. This gateway helps researchers locate materials from over 1,000 archival institutions providing over four million records.

www.beta.worldcat.org/archivegrid

#### Archives départementales de Seine-Maritime

#### L'Inscription Maritime

Collection of passenger lists departing from the French port of Le Havre for North America or the French colonies are now online. This collection also includes surviving shipping documentation for vessels registered at Le Havre.

www.archivesdepartementales76.net/recher cher/archives-en-ligne/inscription-maritime/

Search other online collections of the Archives départementales de Seine-Maritime at: www.recherche.archivesdepartementales76 .net/?id=recherche\_guidee

#### **British Library**

Discovering Literature: 20th century

Discover the literary and historical treasures of the British Library which include items such as manuscripts, illustrations, diaries, letters, photographs, maps and newspapers. Delve into these treasures to learn and get a glimpse of the cultural, historical and political contexts that these materials were written in.

www.bl.uk/20th-century-literature

Also, explore **Discovering Literature:**Romantics and Victorians at:
www.bl.uk/romantics-and-victorians

### British Red Cross First World War Volunteers

Now searchable online are more than 90,000 people who volunteered for the British Red Cross at home and abroad during the war. The records include time served, duties performed and awards received. Scans of the original index cards are posted.

www.redcross.org.uk/About-us/Who-we-are/History-and-origin/First-World-War

### Canadian National Digital Heritage Index

An index of digitized Canadian heritage collections which are found in provincial and territorial libraries and Canadian universities is now accessible.

www.cndhi-ipnpc.ca

#### **Digital Public Library of America**

Digital Public Library of America and FamilySearch have partnered to expand the access to digitized historical books such as family histories, local and county histories, gazetteers, genealogy magazines and much more.

www.dp.la/info/2016/06/22/dpla-and-familysearch

#### Duchas.ie

#### Schools' Collection

View the materials available from this ongoing project to digitize the **National Folklore Collection of Ireland** and also check out their **Irish Surname Index**. Watch for new additions to the website.

www.duchas.ie/en

#### **Europeana 1914-1918**

Revisit, browse, and discover stories, historical documents and films about the Great War. www.europeana1914-1918.eu/en



## Fold3 \* Historical Military Records War of 1812 Pension Files

This is an ongoing project to digitize and make freely available approximately 7.2 million records of pensions belonging to veterans of the War of 1812. In **Fold3** specific publications like this are free to search but others require a subscription.

www.fold3.com/browse/247/h5iT6dgqR

\*NOTE: Full access to all is by subscription

#### **Internet Archive**

The Internet Archive (IA) is a non-profit digital library offering permanent access to collections of digitized materials, including books, websites, audio, and moving images. www.archive.org/index.php

New additions to the **Internet Archive** which may be of interest include:

#### **Allen County Public Library**

A collaboration between the Allen County Public Library and Internet Archive to make public domain portions of its genealogy collection available online.

www.archive.org/details/allen\_county?sort=-publicdate

#### **Brigham Young University**

Discover the recent additions to the Internet Archive from the libraries of Brigham Young University.

www.archive.org/details/brigham\_young\_u niversity?&sort=-publicdate&page=2

### Peterborough, Ontario, Canada – City Directories

In partnership with the City of Peterborough, the Peterborough Public Library, the Peterborough Museum and Archives, the Trent Valley Archives and the Trent University Archives, together with the Internet Archive have digitized their collections of over 100 city and county directories going back as far as 1858. City directories include listings for residents and businesses with contact details and sometimes occupational information included. They are an excellent way to learn more about an ancestor and be able to track their location year by year.

www.archive.org/details/ peterboroughcitydirectories



### University of Toronto - Thomas Fisher Canadiana Collection

Explore the latest additions of the Thomas Fisher Canadiana Collection to the Internet Archive.

www.archive.org/details/thomasfishercanad iana?sort=-publicdate

## Irish Genealogical Research Society The List of Church of Ireland Parish Registers

Together with the RCB Library this resource with its colour coded index should be the first port of call for researchers wanting to use the Church of Ireland parish registers.

www.beta.ireland.anglican.org/cmsfiles/pdf/ AboutUs/library/registers/ParishRegisters/ PARISHREGISTERS.pdf



#### Irishgenealogy.ie Civil Records

Great news! Historic records of births, marriages and deaths of the General Register Office (GRO) are now available online. Years covered include:

Births: 1864-1915Marriages: 1882\*-1940Deaths: 1891\*-1965

\*Note: Pre-1882 marriage and pre-1891 death records are currently being updated and will be available in due course.

www.irishgenealogy.ie/en/

### Israel Genealogy Research Association

Learn about the Israel Genealogy Research Association website and their All Israel Database (AID) collection. Registration required.

www.genealogy.org.il/

### National Archives Great Wharton

This new online platform from the National Archives is part of its First World War programme. Through the fictional town of Great Wharton uncover the quirky and unusual side of the British Home Front during the Great War.

www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/first-world-war/home-front-stories/#

#### National Archives of Ireland Decade of Centenaries Website

In the twentieth century the decade from 1912 to 1923 was a transformative and turbulent period in Ireland's history. The country experienced the 1913 Lockout, World War I, the 1916 Easter Rising, the War of Independence and a divisive civil war. Explore the following related to this crucial time in Irish history.

www.centenaries.nationalarchives.ie/centenaries/

### **Dublin Metropolitan Police Movement of Extremists Files, 1915-1916**

These files comprise details of police monitoring of pro-independence suspects preceding the Easter uprising. www.nationalarchives.ie/digital-resources/chief-secretarys-office-crime-branch-dublin-metropolitan-police-dmp-movement-of-extremists-29-may-1915-20-april-1916/

### Property Losses (Ireland) Committee 1916 Compensation Files

View digitized applications for compensation for damage or loss of property caused directly or indirectly by events of the 1916 Rising. www.centenaries.nationalarchives.ie/centenaries/plic/index.jsp

### Reports of the Irish Trade Union Congress, 1901-1925

The National Archives in partnership with the Irish Congress of Trade Unions have digitized these reports which provide a record of the Irish labour movement during this transformative period in Ireland's history. www.centenaries-ituc.nationalarchives.ie/

### National Archives of Ireland Genealogy Website

The following new record series with relevant linked images are now accessible and searchable.

Catholic Qualification Rolls, 1700-1845 www.census.nationalarchives.ie/search/cq/home.jsp

Diocesan and Prerogative Marriage Licence Bonds Indexes, 1623-1866 www.census.nationalarchives.ie/search/dm/ home.jsp

Prerogative and diocesan copies of some wills and indexes to others, 1596-1858 www.census.nationalarchives.ie/search/dw/home.jsp

Records of the Registrar General of Shipping and Seamen, 1860-1921 www.census.nationalarchives.ie/ search/cl/home.jsp

Soldiers' Wills www.soldierswills.nationalarchives.ie/ search/sw/home.jsp

Valuation Office books 1824-1856 www.census.nationalarchives.ie/search/vob/home.jsp

Will Registers 1858-1900 www.census.nationalarchives.ie/search/wr/home.jsp



Also, available for free on **FindMyPast**, these four NAI searchable collections which include land valuation records, original wills and merchant navy crew lists.

### Ireland, Catholic Qualification & Convert Rolls 1701-1845

www.search.findmypast.com/search-world-Records/ireland-catholic-qualification-and-convert-rolls-1701-1845

Ireland Merchant Navy Crew Lists 1863-1921

www.search.findmypast.com/search-world-Records/ireland-merchant-navy-crew-lists-1863-1921

Ireland, Original Will Registers 1858-1920 www.search.findmypast.com/search-world-Records/ireland-original-will-registers-1858-1920

Ireland Valuation Office Books www.search.findmypast.com/search-world-Records/ireland-valuation-office-books

### National Library of Scotland Histories of Scotlish Families

The National Library of Scotland has digitized a selection of almost 400 printed items relating to the histories of Scotlish families from all areas of Scotland, from Dumfries to Shetland included.

www.digital.nls.uk/histories-of-scottish-families/pageturner.cfm?id=93506071

#### **National Library of Wales**

#### **People's Collection Wales**

Through photographs, documents, sound recordings and videos this resource enables you to share your stories and memories of Wales, so others can learn more about its history, traditions and culture.

www.peoplescollection.wales

#### **Welsh Almanac Collection**

The National Library of Wales has digitized a large collection of Welsh almanacs containing astronomical and astrological guides, lists of fairs and markets, a guide to reading Welsh and keeping accounts, a list of law terms, the name of Welsh bishops, and miscellaneous advertisements. The almanac collection dates from 1648 to 1819 and is a fascinating source of information of Welsh history and culture. Much of the text is in Welsh.

www.llgc.org.uk/en/discover/digitalgallery/printed-material/the-welsh-almanaccollection

### New Bedford Whaling Museum Whaling Crew List Database

The New Bedford Whaling Museum in Massachusetts has transcribed the crew lists for those whaling expeditions leaving the port of New Bedford from 1840 to 1927. You can also find images of vessels and maps of whaling destinations.

www.whalingmuseum.org/online\_exhibits/crewlist



#### **OpenArchives**

Genealogical data of Dutch archives which provide access to records of civil and church registries, as well as military and personal administration. Portions of OpenArchives are free to use. However, some features and functions require either logging in or subscribing to use.

www.openarch.nl/?lang=en







## University College Dublin Dublin Metropolitan Police (DMP) Prisoners Books

University College Dublin has posted prisoner book records from 1905-1908 and 1911-1918 online. Details of over 30,000 people who were arrested during this period are included in the books. Information includes date of and grounds for arrest and the name of the arresting officer.

www.digital.ucd.ie/view/ucdlib:43945

#### **World Digital Library**

In cooperation with libraries, archives, museums, educational institutions and with the support of the United Nations Educational, Cultural and Scientific Organization (UNESCO), this project by the United States Library of Congress makes freely accessible rare books, photographs, manuscripts, journals, newspapers, maps and much more from all over the world.

www.wdl.org/en



#### **Best Genealogy Websites 2016**

Family Tree Magazine has posted their annual installment of 101 Best Websites 2016. There are many great sites to help you explore your family history. Some may be familiar to you, and some of those may have new content you might want to consider, while others are new to you.

Listed under **Best International Genealogy Websites** of 2016 are once again two familiar
Canadian websites:

#### Canadiana

#### www.canadiana.ca/en/home

Check out their newly launched World
Wars Aboriginal Veterans Portal which
documents the lives of aboriginal soldiers of
the First and Second World Wars.
www.av.canadiana.ca

Library and Archives Canada www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/Pages/home.aspx

See more of the 101 Best Websites 2016 at: www.familytreemagazine.com/article/ 101-best-websites-2016



Genealogy Programs at the Vancouver Public Library



BCGS Downtown Vancouver Genealogy Group Second Tuesday of each month 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Board Breakout Room Level 7, Central Branch 350 West Georgia Street

Genealogy Discussion – bring your ideas, questions and latest discoveries. It's a friendly, helpful group – all interested in genealogy and family history are welcome.

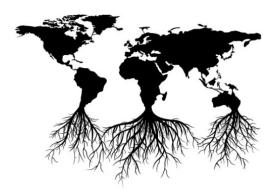
Genealogy: Trace Your Ancestors with Ancestry Library Edition Tuesday, October 25, 2016 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Computer Training Lab Level 7, Central Branch 350 West Georgia Street

Learn about the exciting online resources available through the library's ancestry database.

Registration required. Register at: www.vpl.bibliocommons.com/events/5798f4 1489491a9f0b057d8f

For more information contact: Programming and Learning Services at info@vpl.ca at 604 331-3603



Genealogy: Trace Your Ancestors with FamilySearch
Tuesday, November 1, 2016
2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Computer Training Lab
Level 7, Central Branch
350 West Georgia Street

Learn about this exciting online resource for family research available on the internet at this hands-on genealogy workshop.

Registration required. Register at: www.vpl.bibliocommons.com/events/5798f4 ae89491a9f0b057da1

For more information contact: Programming and Learning Services at info@vpl.ca at 604 331-3603

Genealogy Express Tuesdays, November 1 and 22, 2016 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Dunbar Branch Library 4515 Dunbar Street

Drop by for advice on researching your family history and tackling tough genealogy puzzles. Get tips to become a power user of FamilySearch and Ancestry Library Edition. Check out new genealogy books from the library collection and learn more about the wealth of genealogy records available at VPL.

For more information contact: Dunbar Branch Library at **604 665-3968** 



Genealogy: Trace Your Ancestors with Library and Archives Canada Tuesday, November 8, 2016 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Computer Training Lab

Level 7, Central Branch 350 West Georgia Street

Learn about this exciting online resource for family research available on the internet at this hands-on genealogy workshop.

Registration required. Register at: www.vpl.bibliocommons.com/events/5798f4 f989491a9f0b057e46

For more information contact: Programming and Learning Services at info@vpl.ca at 604 331-3603

## Other Vancouver Public Library Programs of Interest

Share Your Story: Digital Storytelling Workshop for Older Adults
See the Vancouver Public Library
Events Calendar for:
Dates, Times and Locations
www.vpl.bibliocommons.com/
events/search/index

Create a short autobiographical film describing a significant event in your life that had a powerful impact. Have fun collaborating with other older adults (55+) and share a bit of history in this free 10-week workshop.

Note: This workshop series, Digitizing the wisdom of our elders: From digital storytelling to life learning (2014s0436), was made possible by a grant from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council and the Age-Well National Centres of Excellence.

Participants will have the opportunity to fill out an optional short questionnaire for research purposes before and after the course. This is not required to attend the course and results will be kept confidential.

In partnership with Simon Fraser University.

Registration required.

For more information or to register: 1-778-344-3193 (local Vancouver number) or email mvanchuo@sfu.ca



#### Saving Stories, Part 1 Saturday, September 24, 2016 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Mount Pleasant Branch Library 1 Kingsway

Are you interested in preserving your lovedones' personal stories? In this two-part workshop, learn about getting started with an oral history project and how the Inspiration Lab at Central Library can support you. Topics include digital project basics, using Inspiration Lab hardware and software, and the fundamentals of interviewing.

Part One is an introduction to oral history projects and the Inspiration Lab.

Part Two is held in the Inspiration Lab at Central Library and lets you explore the available resources while being supported by VPL staff.

Registration required. Register at: www.vpl.bibliocommons.com/events/57730 15ac6b529da48019761

For more information contact: Mount Pleasant Branch Library at **604 665-3962** 



### **Self Publishing 100: Introduction to Ebooks**

Tuesday, September 27, 2016 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

West Point Grey Branch Library 4480 West 10<sup>th</sup> Ave.

Want to share your story with the world? Learn how to get on the path toward creating your first ebook! This session will introduce you to what you need to know to get started, and how to begin to navigate the options for making your ebook available to readers. After

participating in this session, you will be ready to take our hands-on session to create your own ebook in VPL's Inspiration Lab.

Registration required.

For more information contact: West Point Grey Branch Library at **604 665-3982** 

### **Self Publishing 100: Introduction to Ebooks**

Thursday, September 29, 2016 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Mount Pleasant Branch Library 1 Kingsway

Want to share your story with the world? Learn how to get on the path toward creating your first ebook! This session will introduce you to what you need to know to get started, and how to begin to navigate the options for making your ebook available to readers. After participating in this session, you will be ready to take our hands-on session to create your own ebook in VPL's Inspiration Lab.

Registration required.

For more information contact: Mount Pleasant Branch Library at **604 665-3962** 



Saving Stories: Part 2 Saturday, October 1, 2016 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Inspiration Lab Level 3, Central Branch 350 West Georgia Street

Are you interested in preserving your lovedones' personal stories? In this two-part workshop, learn about getting started with an oral history project and how the Inspiration Lab at Central Library can support you. Topics include digital project basics, using Inspiration Lab hardware and software, and the fundamentals of interviewing.

Part One is an introduction to oral history projects and the Inspiration Lab.

Part Two is held in the Inspiration Lab at Central Library and lets you explore the available resources while being supported by VPL staff.

Registration required. Register at: www.vpl.bibliocommons.com/events/5772fa 45c6b529da48019615

For more information contact: Programming and Learning Services at info@vpl.ca at 604 331-3603

Hollywood North: Share Your Story Tuesday, October 4, 2016 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Inspiration Lab

Level 3, Central Branch 350 West Georgia Street

Everyone has a story about seeing a film set appear in Vancouver or spotting a film star. Come to the Inspiration Lab and share a brief audio clip about your favourite stories and film encounters that you experienced in and around Vancouver. Your story may become part of our Hollywood North digital collection, showcasing the community's love of Vancouver's contributions to the film industry. For submission steps and criteria go to: www.vpl.ca/programs/details/hollywood\_north\_exposition

Registration required.

For more information contact: Programming and Learning Services at info@vpl.ca at 604 331-3603



## Hollywood North: Share Your Photos Wednesday, October 5, 2016 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Inspiration Lab Level 3, Central Branch 350 West Georgia Street

Do you have some favourite photos of movie stars or film sets that pop up around Vancouver? Bring any photos that you took yourself to the Inspiration Lab and we will teach you how to make them look fabulous using photo editing software. We can also help you digitize any physical photos. You have the option to submit any digital photos you took yourself to the library where they may be included in Hollywood North digital collection! For submission steps and criteria go to: www.vpl.ca/programs/details/hollywood north exposition

Registration required.

For more information contact: Programming and Learning Services at info@vpl.ca at 604 331-3603

#### Practical Book Marketing Saturday, October 15, 2016 10:00 a.m. – 2:45 p.m.

Alma VanDusen and Peter Kaye Rooms Lower Level, Central Branch 350 West Georgia Street

Does the prospect of marketing your book leave you feeling overwhelmed? Have you been told that you need a 'platform'? Author, editor and teacher Susan Kelly will show you how to create and implement an online marketing plan that will translate into readers and a long-term career as an author.

#### Learn about:

- Setting smart goals
- Creating a promotional calendar
- Finding reviewers
- Setting up an online book tour
- Targeted advertising
- And more

Registration required. Register at: www.vpl.bibliocommons.com/events/57b64 5bd7f16b3136200966b

For more information contact: Programming and Learning Services at info@vpl.ca at 604 331-3603

Horrible History: VPL Special Collections Tour
Saturday, October 22, 2016
3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Special Collections
Level 7, Central Branch
350 West Georgia Street

Enjoy a one-hour tour of some of the more sinister items in VPL's collection with our writer in residence, Sam Wiebe.

For more information contact: Programming and Learning Services at info@vpl.ca at 604 331-3603

## Intro to Audio Editing with Reaper Thursday, October 27, 2016 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Inspiration Lab Level 3, Central Branch 350 West Georgia Street

Want to edit your recorded audio with REAPER? In this class, we'll practice the basics of sound editing, including splitting clips, importing audio, and working with multiple tracks. Learn best practices for saving and sharing your work in advance, you can visit the REAPER study guide.

www.guides.vpl.ca/content.php?pid=668538&sid=5535484

Registration required. Register at: www.vpl.bibliocommons.com/events/57b77 75460b8ce010062209e

For more information contact: Programming and Learning Services at info@vpl.ca at 604 331-3603

## Alternate Histories Author Panel Thursday, November 3, 2016 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Alice MacKay Room Lower Level, Central Branch 350 West Georgia Street

Whether set in revolutionary China, a present day Edmonton inhabited by ghosts, San Francisco during the 1906 earthquake, or a reimagined 1930s Los Angeles, these four authors use time and place to create exciting, thought-provoking stories that blend genres and make us re-imagine the worlds we live in. Join Janie Chang (Three Souls), Dietrich Kalteis (House of Blazes), SG Wong (Devil Take the Hindmost) and E.C. Bell (Drowning in Amber) in a discussion of place, time, setting, and genre, moderated by writer in residence Sam Wiebe.

For more information contact: Programming and Learning Services at info@vpl.ca at 604 331-3603



## Programs Elsewhere in the Lower Mainland

#### Monthly British Columbia Genealogical Society Meetings Second Wednesday of each month year round

7:30 p.m.

Danish Lutheran Church Downstairs Hall 6010 Kincaid Street, Burnaby, B.C.

Visitors are always welcome. For more information:

www.bcgs.ca/

#### Family Tree Options Instructor: Jeannie Vance Saturday, September 24, 2016 1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Surrey Public Library Cloverdale Library 5642 – 176A Street, Surrey, B.C. \$10 charge

Discover online, database, and print options for your family tree.

Jeannie Vance will deliver a review of electronic and paper options for your family tree, including backing up files and sharing files with others.

Register in person at the Cloverdale Library, call 604-598-7327, or email familyhistory@surrey.ca





Collection Orientations
Saturdays, October 1, November 5,
December 3, 2016
10:00 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.

Surrey Public Library Cloverdale Library 5642 – 176A Street, Surrey, B.C. No charge

Get familiar with the Family History Collection. Learn how to use one of the most extensive collections of Canadian genealogical materials in Western Canada! Our orientation will help you find online information, books and journals, and microfilm records available for research at the library.

Pre-registration recommended.

Register in person at the Cloverdale Library, call **604-598-7327**, or email **familyhistory@surrey.ca** 

Fun Family History Fridays Fridays, October 7, November 4, December 2, 2016 2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Surrey Public Library Cloverdale Library 5642 – 176A Street, Surrey, B.C. Free. Drop-in

Join us to share and explore different topics in family history. First Friday of the month (except on holiday long weekends).

For more information call **604-598-7328** or email **familyhistory@surrey.ca** 



Finding Your Roots - Tri-Stake Seminar Saturday, October 15, 2016 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Surrey Family History Center 6270 – 126 Street, Surrey, B.C. Free

The Finding Your Roots Seminar is a FREE family history workshop with well over 35 classes with excellent instructors to choose from. Come and enjoy learning how to research your family history.

Preregistration is required.

For more information: www.findingyourroots.ca

Sawmills and Opera Houses: The Origins of Chinatown Tuesday, October 18, 2016 7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Vancouver Heritage Foundation Location: University Women's Club at Hycroft 1489 McRae Avenue, Vancouver, B.C. Tickets: \$15 or \$9 with a valid Student ID Sawmills, opera houses, train stations, merchants and entrepreneurs all had a hand in shaping one of North America's largest remaining Chinatowns. Civic Historian John Atkin, will explore the origins of Vancouver's Chinatown and look at the forces that created and shaped this important part of the city.

Register online.

If you have any questions call **604.264.9642** or email

mail@vancouverheritagefoundation.org



Brick Walls
Sharing Strategies on Tough
Genealogy Problems
M. Diane Rogers, Brenda L. Smith,
Peter Whitlock, and Laurie Cooke
Saturday, October 29, 2016
1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Co-sponsored with the BC Genealogical Society (BCGS)
Surrey Public Library
Cloverdale Library
5642 – 176A Street, Surrey, B.C.
Charge: \$20 (includes food)
Additional charge of \$10 for 1-on-1 meeting with an Expert
Great door prizes include a free 1 year World subscription to Find My Past!

Another brick in the wall! Our experts, Diane, Brenda, and Peter, return to help you overcome difficult Family History challenges. Panel members will meet attendees who submitted questions in advance for 1-on-1, fifteen minute consultations. Guest speaker Laurie Cooke will address the main group during this time with a presentation about a 1908 murder: "Did They Hang the Wrong Man?"

A light meal and refreshments will be provided, with time for questions and sharing.

For more details, or to submit your 1-on-1 questions, contact the Cloverdale Library or the BCGS (www.bcgs.ca).

All Programs require pre-registration and are held at the Cloverdale Library unless otherwise noted. To register, please visit the Cloverdale Library, call **604-598-7328**, or email **familyhistory@surrey.ca** 



#### Abbotsford's Forgotten WWI Soldiers Tuesday, November 8, 2016 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Fraser Valley Regional Library Abbotsford Community 33355 Bevan Avenue, Abbotsford, B.C.

WWI's bloody battles claimed the lives of many soldiers who called Abbotsford home. While the local newspaper Honour Rolls recognized their ultimate sacrifice, some of these valiant soldiers' names were not memorialized on the Abbotsford Cenotaph. Join UFV Professor Emeritus and former VP of the Abbotsford Legion, Peter William Slade, and learn more about these forgotten soldiers and the battles fought by them and their Canadian comrades.

Registration required.

Call 604 853-1753 or visit the library to register.

The Kitsilano Indian Reserve Speaker: Douglas Harris, Nathan T. Nemetz Chair of Legal History, UBC Faculty of Law Thursday, November 24, 2016 7:30 p.m.

Vancouver Historical Society Location: Museum of Vancouver 1100 Chestnut Street, Vancouver, B.C.

Allotted by the colony of British Columbia in the 1860s and expanded in 1876 after the colony joined Canada, the Kitsilano Indian Reserve amounted to 80 acres at the mouth to False Creek. It included the age-old Coast Salish village site of Snaag. In 2002, a unanimous five-judge panel of the British Columbia Court of Appeal upheld a trial court decision that approximately 10.5 acres of the former Kitsilano reserve should again be Indian reserve. With the decision, the reserve reappeared in the heart of Vancouver. What happened to it between 1876 and 2002? How did it disappear? And what about the other 70 acres, most of which are now Vanier Park, the Molson Brewery site, city streets, or office and apartment buildings? This talk explores the history of the Kitsilano Indian Reserve and the changing legal framework that surrounds whatever it is that might come next on this important parcel of land that is within and beyond the City of Vancouver.

For more information: www.vancouver-historical-society.ca/events.htm

Family History Show & Tell Saturday, November 26, 2016 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Surrey Public Library Cloverdale Library 5642 – 176A Street, Surrey, B.C. No charge

Join us for the Annual Show & Tell

We welcome you once again to bring in your own creations or historic items – anything that

tells a story: quilts, scrapbooks, digital collages, historic home movie clips or unusual family artifacts. You can visit, showcase your items for viewing, or show and tell the story (ten minutes maximum). You might be inspired or discover a Christmas gift idea. Light refreshments provided. Stick around for our Collector's Show & Tell.

Register in person at the Cloverdale Library, call 604-598-7327, or email familyhistory@surrey.ca



Collectors Show & Tell Saturday, November 26, 2016 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Surrey Public Library Cloverdale Library 5642 – 176A Street, Surrey, B.C. No charge

Do you have an amazing collection to share?

Do you have an amazing collection of stamps, posters, bobble-head dolls, old 78 records, autographs of famous people, postcards, hockey or baseball cards, coins, or anything else? Bring them (or pictures) to the Cloverdale Library. This is an opportunity to display what you collect, or just come by to view. This event is preceded by The Family History Show & Tell.

Register in person at the Cloverdale Library, call **604-598-7327**, or email **familyhistory@surrey.ca** 

#### Who was Major Matthews? Tuesday, November 29, 2016 7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Vancouver Heritage Foundation Location: University Women's Club at Hycroft 1489 McRae Avenue, Vancouver, B.C. Tickets: \$15 or \$9 with a valid Student ID

Vancouver's first City Archivist, Major James Skitt Matthews, was more than a collector and self-styled historian; he was deeply fascinated by stories big and small about Vancouver. A great deal of Vancouver's history was captured in his correspondence, subject files and photograph collection. Vancouver's current City Archivist, Heather Gordon, will illuminate the life and importance of this Vancouver figure.

Register online.

If you have any questions call **604.264.9642** or email

mail@vancouverheritagefoundation.org

Start Searching your Family History Speaker: Brenda L. Smith Saturdays, January 14 & 28, February 11 & 25, March 18, 2017 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Surrey Public Library Cloverdale Library 5642 – 176A Street, Surrey, B.C. Charge: \$100 for the series

A beginners' workshop in 5 lessons.

This series of five 3-hour classes, developed by writer and researcher Brenda L. Smith, addresses each beginning family history researcher's need for guidance in embarking on a very personal journey. Working with their own materials, and supporting each other, learners will discover their particular motives and set goals for their research, organize and evaluate their data, and plan the first stage of their individual programs.

Participants must be able to commit to attending all five sessions.

Register in person at the Cloverdale Library, call **604-598-7327**, or email **familyhistory@surrey.ca**. Payment required upon registration.



Start Writing your Family History Speaker: Brenda L. Smith Saturdays, January 14 & 28, February 11 & 25, March 18, 2017 1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Surrey Public Library Cloverdale Library 5642 – 176A Street, Surrey, B.C. Charge: \$100 for the series

A communications workshop in 5 lessons.

This series of five 3-hour classes, developed by writer and researcher Brenda L. Smith, addresses the beginning family history researcher's need to report and publish research findings. Working with their own materials, and supporting each other, learners discover how to move from the gathering of information to creating a publishable product. Learners will set goals for their research, organize and evaluate their data, and practice writing basic history research reports. Participants must be willing to commit to attending all five sessions. Participants must have email/attachment capacity and be willing to share their writing samples with classmates and share oral evaluation of each other's work. Pre-requisite: completion of Start Searching your Family History or approval from the instructor.

Register in person at the Cloverdale Library, call **604-598-7327**, or email **familyhistory@surrey.ca.** Payment required upon registration.

Early Vancouver Artists: surviving while being creative Speaker: Gary Sim, author and architectural technologist Thursday, February 23, 2017 7:30 p.m.

Vancouver Historical Society Location: Museum of Vancouver 1100 Chestnut Street, Vancouver, B.C.

From the time that Vancouver was carved out of old growth forest little more than one hundred and twenty years ago, artists, both native-born and new arrivals sought to nourish their souls while sustaining a livelihood within the new city and growing province. Those who put down roots in the raw city creatively sought ways to make a living, by becoming teachers and illustrators, founding galleries and fine arts groups and organizing to exhibit and sell their work. Artists like Sam Maclure, Sophie Pemberton and Emily Carr are just a few of these creative souls. Vancouver-born artist. author, researcher, and architectural technologist Gary Sim will examine some of the artwork and accomplishments of Vancouver's earliest resilient artists.

For more information: www.vancouver-historical-society.ca/events.htm



#### The Ferries of Indian Arm Speaker: Ralph Drew, Mayor of Belcarra Thursday, March 23, 2017 7:30 p.m.

Vancouver Historical Society Location: Museum of Vancouver 1100 Chestnut Street, Vancouver, B.C.

As prosperous times before the First World War created a local surge in immigration and a building boom in Vancouver, affluent Vancouverites began looking for scenic summer retreats close to the city. However, without roads or bridges to access the North Arm of Burrard Inlet (Indian Arm), reliable ferries became essential to developing these new recreational properties. As a result, during 70 years of the 20<sup>th</sup> century scheduled ferry runs from Vancouver to steamer landings on the fjord, travelling post offices a floating grocery stores became unique and critical services to the many small communities scattered along Indian Arm. This unique service has been key to shaping the history and psyche of Indian Arm residents of today.

For more information: www.vancouver-historical-society.ca/events.htm

## Programs Elsewhere in British Columbia

#### Harvest Your Family Tree 2016 September 23 – 25, 2016

Kelowna & District Genealogical Society Okanagan College Campus, Centre for Learning 1000 KLO Road, Kelowna, B. C.

The Kelowna & District Genealogical Society is holding its bi-annual genealogy conference in Kelowna, British Columbia on September 23 to 25, 2016. This is Western Canada's largest

conference which has something for everyone interested in researching their family tree. There is a full day of seminars featuring renowned international speakers.

For the conference on Saturday there are 28 different topics to choose from. Some of these include:

- 5 Ways to Enhance Your Genealogy Research with Old Maps
- The 1939 Register
- Crowdsourcing Your Family Research
- Finding Irish Records Online
- Genealogy at Library and Archives Canada
- Getting the Most Out of Discovery, the National Archive's (TNA- England) Powerful Catalogue
- Google Tools and Procedures for Solving Family History Mysteries
- Mobile Genealogy: How to Use Your Tablet and Smartphone for Family History Research
- Social Networking101 for Family History
- Western Canada by Rail

Preregistration is required.

For more information: www.kdgsconference2016.blogspot.ca

# Family Connections – Finding your Ancestors Saturday, October 22, 2016 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m

Vancouver Island Regional Library Qualicum Beach 660 Primrose Street, Qualicum Beach, B.C. Free – drop-in

Members of the Qualicum Beach Family History Society will be providing short one-onone sessions for library customers to assist them with their genealogy research.

For more information call **250-752-6121** or Additional Contact Info at: **www.qbfhs.ca** 

Making Sense of the Science:
Deciphering Your DNA Results
Annual Seminar 2016
Speakers: Wedlidi Speck, Barbara
Johnson, Merna Forster, Tim Duncan
Saturday, October 29, 2016
9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Victoria Genealogical Society Location: St Leopold Mandic Church 4081 Gordon Head Road, Victoria, B.C.

Early Bird – On or before Sept. 24, 2016

- VGS Members \$80.00
- VGS Non-Members \$90.00

Standard – On or after Sept. 25, 2016

- VGS Members \$90.00
- VGS Non-Members \$100.00

Last year's DNA seminar inspired many of you to have your own and other family members' DNA tested. But we have heard overwhelmingly that understanding the results is another matter altogether. Many of you find yourself scratching your heads in bewilderment at the dizzying array of numbers, names and lists that you received. Or you've been sent a long list of "cousin matches", DNA Circles, or Chromosome Display Tools, but have no idea what they mean or how to use them to find actual family connections.

If your DNA results haven't proven to be the treasure trove of information you were hoping for, then please join the Victoria Genealogical Society for a day of DNA discovery! Three dynamic and knowledgeable speakers will help you understand how to uncover the exciting clues that could be hiding in your test results.

For more information: www.victoriags.org/seminar.php



Aqua Vitae: The Saloons and Hotel Bars of Victoria, 1851-1917
Speaker: Glen A. Mofford
Sunday, October 30, 2016
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Friends of the B.C. Archives
Newcombe Auditorium, Royal BC Museum
675 Belleville Street, Victoria, B.C.

Glen A. Mofford will give an illustrated talk based on his new book, Agua Vitae: The saloons and hotel bars of Victoria, 1851-1917. He will describe the research behind the book and its contents. He will discuss some familiar buildings and landmarks today, and describe what took place in them during the days of 5 cent beers, smoky saloons and swinging doors. An era ended when Prohibition was introduced in BC in October 1917. He will touch on the impact of Prohibition in Victoria and the advent of beer parlours, his current research project. Mr. Mofford was born in Victoria and graduated from Simon Fraser University with a degree in History. He has a passion for the social history of BC and devoted more than ten years to researching and writing about BC's historic hotels and drinking establishments. Follow him on Twitter at @BCPubHistory.

For more information:

www.friendsofbcarchives.wordpress.com/ upcoming-events

A Perfect Eden: Encounters by Early Explorers of Vancouver Island Speaker: Michael Layland Sunday, November 20, 2016 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Friends of the B.C. Archives Newcombe Auditorium, Royal BC Museum 675 Belleville Street, Victoria, B.C. Free for members \$5 for non-members

Michael Layland will introduce his new book, A Perfect Eden: Encounters by Early Explorers of Vancouver Island. This book is a companion to

his acclaimed 2013 publication, The Land of Heart's Delight: Early Maps and Charts of Vancouver Island. The stories he recounts in A Perfect Eden create a multi-layered tale of discovery, exploration and encounter, from precontact to 1858. Accompanying his text are over 100 illustrations: portraits of the explorers, paintings of their ships, the places and people they found, and maps of their routes. The presentation will be supported by a PowerPoint with illustrations from the book. Michael Layland has served as president of the Friends of the BC Archives, the Victoria Historical Society, and on the committee of the Historical Map Society of BC. He was trained as an officer and mapmaker with the Royal Engineers and has lived in Victoria since 1991. More information about the author at: www.michaellayland.com. Copies of A Perfect Eden (2016) and The Land of Heart's Delight (2013) will be on sale at this event.

#### For more information:

www.friendsofbcarchives.wordpress.com/ upcoming-events



#### Also Noted...

#### **Ancestry Day in Washington State**

September 23 – 24, 2016 Tacoma, Washington

For more information:

www.eventbrite.com/e/ancestry-day-in-washington-state-tickets-26178375225

#### International Society for British Genealogy and Family History 2016 British Institute

October 10 – 14, 2016 Salt Lake City, Utah

For more information: www.isbgfh.org/cpage.php?pt=56

### Whatcom Genealogical Society 2016 Fall Seminar

October 15, 2016 Bellingham, Washington

For more information: www.wagenweb.org/whatcom/ WGS/wgs.htm

#### **Great Canadian Genealogy Summit**

October 21 – 23, 2016 Brampton, Ontario

For more information: www.cangensummit.ca

#### Salt Lake Christmas Tour 2016

December 4 – 10, 2016 Salt Lake City, Utah

For more information: www.sites.google.com/site/saltlakechristmastour

#### RootsTech 2017

February 8 – 11, 2017 Salt Lake City, Utah

For more information: www.rootstech.org/?lang=eng

#### Who Do You Think You Are?

April 6 – 8, 2017 Birmingham, England

For more information: www.whodoyouthinkyouarelive.com

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