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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](#).

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

### General

#### ***The Empire on the Western Front: The British 62<sup>nd</sup> and Canadian 4<sup>th</sup> Divisions in Battle***

by Geoffrey Jackson, 2019  
940.41 J12e

#### ***Finding Your Roots, Season 5***

PBS, 2019  
DVD 929.1 G25fd

#### ***Mad Flight?: The Quebec Emigration to the Coffee Plantations of Brazil***

by John Zucchi, 2018  
325.1 Z94m

#### ***The Secret Life of Genes: Decoding the Blueprint of Life***

by Derek Harvey, 2019  
576.5 H34s

#### ***They Shall Not Grow Old***

Warner Bros. Home Entertainment, 2019  
DVD 940.3 T42j

#### ***Tracing Your Ancestors Using DNA: A Guide for Family and Local Historians***

edited by Graham S. Holton, 2019  
929.1 T75h

#### ***World War II: Map by Map***

by Simon Adams, Tony Allan, Kay Celtel, R.G. Grant, Jeremy Harwood, Philip Parker, and Christopher Westhorp, 2019  
940.53 A217wm

#### ***You Are What Your Grandparents Ate: What You Need to Know About Nutrition, Experience, Epigenetics & the Origins of Chronic Disease***

by Judith Finlayson, 2019  
616.042 F51y

### Canada

#### ***Bush Runner: The Adventures of Pierre-Esprit Radisson***

by Mark Bourrie, 2019  
971.01 R12b

#### ***Clearing the Plains: Disease, Politics of Starvation, and the Loss of Indigenous Life***, New ed.

by James W. Daschuk, 2019  
970.412 D22c1

***Flight of the Highlanders: The Making of Canada***

by Kenneth McGoogan, 2019  
971.004 M146f

***Iroquois in the West***

by Jean Barman, 2019  
970.3 I71B2i

***James Macleod: The Red Coats' First True Leader***

by Elle Andra-Warner, 2019  
971.05 M16a

***My Parents; This Does Not Belong to You***

by Aleksandar Hemon, 2019  
971.004 H48m

***The North-West is Our Mother: The Story of Louis Riel's People, the Métis Nation***

by Jean Teillet, 2019  
971.054 T26n

***Words Have a Past: The English Language, Colonialism, and the Newspapers of Indian Boarding Schools***

by Jane Griffith, 2019  
071.1 G85w

**British Columbia**

***Along the E&N: A Journey Back to the Historic Hotels of Vancouver Island***

by Glen Mofford, 2019  
971.12 M69a

***At the Bridge: James Teit and an Anthropology of Belonging***

by Wendy C. Wickwire, 2019  
971.1 T26w

***Cornelius O'Keefe: The Life, Loves, and Legacy of an Okanagan Rancher***

by Sherri L. Field, 2019  
971.15 O41f



***The Hot Springs Cove Story: The Beginnings of Maquinna Marine Provincial Park***

by Michael Kaehn, 2019  
971.12 K11h

***In His Steps: The Life and Times of Wilberforce Cooper, Vancouver's Skid Road Priest***

by Peter J. Cooper, 2019  
283.092 C77c

***Invisible Generations: Living Between Indigenous and White in the Fraser Valley***

by Jean Barman, 2019  
305.897 K291b

***Nothing to Write Home About: British Family Correspondence and the Settler Colonial Everyday in British Columbia***

by Laura Ishiguro, 2019  
971.1004 I79n

***Ranch Tales: Stories From the Frontier***

by Ken Mather, 2019  
971.1 M427r

***Resolve: The Story of the Chelsea Family and a First Nation Community's Will to Heal***

by Carolyn Parks Mintz, 2019  
971.175 P25r

***Searching for Pitt Lake Gold: Fact and Fantasy in the Legend of Slumach***

by Fred Braches, 2019  
971.133 B796s

***Shared Histories: Witsuwit'en-Settler Relations in Smithers 1913-1973***

by Tyler McCreary, 2018  
970.3 D39M1s

***Time Travel in North Vancouver: A Peek into the Past***, Revised & updated

by Sharon Proctor, 2018  
971.133 P964t1

***Unmooring the Komagata Maru: Charting Colonial Trajectories***

edited by Rita Dhamoon, Davina Bhandar, Renisa Mawani, and Satwinder Kaur Bains, 2019  
325.1 U58d

***A Woman in Between: Searching for Dr. Victoria Chung = Zhang Xiaobai Yi Sheng***

by John Price with Ningping Yu, 2019  
610.92 C55p

**Prairie Provinces**

***When Trains Ruled the Rockies: My Life at the Banff Railway Station***

by Terry Gainer, 2019  
971.233 G14w

**Ontario**

***Four Unruly Women: Stories of Incarceration and Resistance From Canada's Most Notorious Prison***

by Ted McCoy, 2019  
364.374 M13f

**Atlantic Canada**

***Birchtown and the Black Loyalist Experience: From 1775 to the Present***

by Stephen Eric Davidson, 2019  
971.6004 D25b

***"Dangerous Enemy Sympathizers": Canadian Internment Camp B, 1940-1945***

by Andrew Theobald, 2019  
940.547 T38d

***The Nova Scotia Atlas***, 7<sup>th</sup> ed.  
prepared by Internal Services, GeoNOVA, 2019

912.716 N9351n2

***Nova Scotia From the Air: Then and Now***

by Len Wagg, 2019  
971.6 W13n

***Threads in the Acadian Fabric: Nine Generations of an Acadian Family***

by Simone Poirier-Bures, 2018  
971.6 P75t

**United States**

***America's Jewish Women: A History From Colonial Times to Today***

by Pamela Susan Nadell, 2019  
305.40973 N13a

***The British Are Coming: The War for America, Lexington to Princeton, 1775-1777***

by Rick Atkinson, 2019  
973.3 A87b

***Civil War Medicine: A Surgeon's Diary***

edited by Robert D. Hicks, 2019  
973.775 F97h

***The Darkest Year: The American Home Front, 1941-1942***

by William K. Klingaman, 2019  
940.5373 K65d

***Getting What We Need Ourselves: How Food Has Shaped African American Life***

by Jennifer Jensen Wallach, 2019  
641.0973 W19g

***Ghosts of Gold Mountain: The Epic Story of the Chinese Who Built the Transcontinental Railroad***

by Gordon H. Chang, 2019  
973.04 C4561g

***Girl in Black and White: The Story of Mary Mildred Williams and the Abolition Movement***

by Jessie Morgan-Owens, 2019  
326.92 W72m

***The Jamestown Brides: The Story of England's "Maids for Virginia"***

by Jennifer Potter, 2019  
975.5 P86j



***Murder Once Removed***

by Stephanie C. Perkins, 2019  
FIC MYS

***Reconstruction: America After the Civil War***

PBS, 2019  
DVD 973.8 R3111a

***Sisters and Rebels: A Struggle for the Soul of America***

by Jacquelyn Dowd Hall, 2019  
305.40973 H17s

***Tangled Roots***

by Marcia Dutton Talley, 2019  
FIC MYS

***The White Devil's Daughters: The Women Who Fought Slavery in San Francisco's Chinatown***

by Julia Flynn Siler, 2019  
306.74 S58w

**British Isles**

***100 Churches 100 Years***

edited by Susannah Charlton, Elain Harwood and Clare Price, 2019  
726.0941 O56c

***Five Days Gone: The Mystery of My Mother's Disappearance as a Child***

by Laura Cumming, 2019  
362.8297 E49c

***The Five: The Untold Lives of the Women Killed by Jack the Ripper***

by Hallie Rubenhold, 2019  
362.88 R89f

***The Forgotten Child: The Powerful True Story of a Boy Abandoned as a Baby and Left to Die***

by Richard Gallear with Jacquie Buttriss, 2019  
362.76 G16f

***Gatsby's Oxford: Scott, Zelda and the Jazz Age Invasion of Britain: 1904-1929***

by Christopher A. Snyder, 2019  
942.57 S67g

***Henry VII: The Maligned Tudor King***

by Terry Breverton, 2019  
942.051 H52br

***Palaces of Pleasure: From Music Halls to the Seaside to Football, How the Victorians Invented Mass Entertainment***

by Lee Jackson, 2019  
941.081 J12p



***Prince Albert: The Man Who Saved the Monarchy***

by A.N. Wilson, 2019  
941.081 A33wi

***The Regency Years: During Which Jane Austen Writes, Napoleon Fights, Bryon Makes Love, and Britain Becomes Modern***

by Robert Morrison, 2019  
941.073 M88r

***The Shadow King: The Life and Death of Henry VI***

by Lauren Johnson, 2019  
942.043 H52j

***Ships of Heaven: The Private Life of Britain's Cathedrals***

by Christopher Somerville, 2019  
726.0941 S69s

***The Song of Simon de Montfort: The Life and Death of a Medieval Revolutionary***

by Sophie Ambler, 2019  
942.034 M78a

***Tracing Your Ancestors' Childhood: A Guide for Family Historians***

by Sue Wilkes, 2013  
929.341 W68t

***Ungovernable: The Victorian Parent's Guide to Raising Flawless Children***

by Therese Oneill, 2019  
305.40942 O58uv

***Victoria & Albert: The Wedding***

PBS, 2019  
DVD 942.081 V64den

***The Young Victoria***

by Deirdre Murphy, 2019  
941.081 V64mu

**Europe**

***The Borgias: Power and Fortune***

by Paul Strathern, 2019  
929.2 B73s

***D-Day Girls: The Spies Who Armed the Resistance, Sabotaged the Nazis, and Helped Win World War II***

by Sarah Rose, 2019  
940.5485 O23r

***A Forgotten Hero: Folke Bernadotte, the Swedish Humanitarian Who Rescued 30,000 People From the Nazis***

by Shelley Emling, 2019  
940.5318 B51e

***King and Emperor: A New Life of Charlemagne***

by Janet L. Nelson, 2019  
944.01 C47n

***Lotharingia: A Personal History of Europe's Lost Country***

by Simon Winder, 2019  
944.38 W76L

***Nature's Mutiny: How the Little Ice Age of the Long Seventeenth Century Transformed the West and Shaped the Present***

by Philipp Blom, 2019  
363.70094 B65n

***The Scholems: A Story of the German-Jewish Bourgeoisie From Emancipation to Destruction***

by Jay Howard Geller, 2019  
305.8924 S368g

***Sudden Courage: Youth in France Confront the Germans, 1940-1945***

by Ronald C. Rosbottom, 2019  
940.5485 R789s

***The Unwanted: America, Auschwitz, and a Village Caught in Between***

by Michael Dobbs, 2019  
940.5318 D632u

***The Volunteer: One Man, an Underground Army, and the Secret Mission to Destroy Auschwitz***

by Jack Fairweather, 2019  
940.5318 P63f

**Africa**

***A Fistful of Shells: West Africa From the Rise of the Slave Trade to the Age of Revolution***

by Toby Green, 2019  
966 G79f

***The Golden Rhinoceros: Histories of the African Middle Ages***

by François-Xavier, Fauvelle-Aymar, 2018  
960 F27g

**Asia**

***African Samurai: The True Story of Yasuke, a Legendary Black Warrior in Feudal Japan***

by Thomas Lockley and Geoffrey Girard, 2019  
952.024 Y29L

***Barbarians at the Wall: The First Normadic Empire and the Making of China***

by John Man, 2019  
939.6 M26b

***The Bells of Old Tokyo: Meditations on Time and a City***

by Anna Sherman, 2019  
952.135 S55b

***Under Red Skies: Three Generations of Life, Loss, and Hope in China***

by Karoline Kan, 2019  
951.06 K16u





## New at the Vancouver Public Library

### Connection to Kith and Kin: Indigenous Ancestry Search

**Ariel Caldwell**  
Teen Services Librarian, Vancouver Public  
Library, Northeast Area

Connection to Kith and Kin is a small-group workshop tailored to Indigenous participants' searches for family documents available through library, LAC, and internet resources. Two VPL librarians and one archivist from Library and Archives Canada, plus a Cultural Support Worker from the Indian Residential School Survivors' Society support 4-6 participants at a time, as they search for documents online. Since March, approximately 65 individuals came to look for family records. Some of those participants came back multiple times. The program was created in response to Indigenous organizations' request to make this information available in an appropriate way. Workshops take place on Wednesdays from 3:30-5:30 at the Britannia Library. To register, contact the Britannia library at 604-665-2222. If you have questions about the program, please email [ariel.caldwell@vpl.ca](mailto:ariel.caldwell@vpl.ca). The current session runs from Sept 18-Dec 11, 2019, with no meeting on Oct. 30.

**Suzanne Sulzberger**  
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au public, Bibliothèque et Archives Canada

In the spring of 2019, Vancouver Public Library (VPL) and Library and Archives Canada (LAC) collaborated on a project called 'Connection to Kith and Kin – Indigenous Ancestry Search'. The Britannia branch of VPL provided the space, and a number of laptops to facilitate the project. Once a week for 3 months, two LAC staff joined two VPL staff in supporting

individual clients in their genealogy searches. The sessions were designed to integrate elements of Indigenous cultural practices, and with consideration of the challenges unique to Indigenous genealogy. The research is intriguing, as participants make new discoveries about their "kith and kin" in a safe and supportive environment. There are plans for the sessions to continue after the summer break, so please check the events page on the VPL website for the next session of Connection to Kith and Kin.

**Connection to Kith and Kin:  
Indigenous Ancestry Search**  
**Wednesdays, October 23, November  
6, 13, 20, 27, December 4, 11, 2019**  
**3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.**

Britannia Branch  
1661 Napier Street

Knowing where we come from connects us to land and culture, and empowers us to make change. In this workshop, experts help participants search online records for family documents.

In partnership with Library and Archives Canada, ALIVE, IRSSS, Our Place, and Britannia Community Services.

For more information call **(604) 665-2222** or email [info@vpl.ca](mailto:info@vpl.ca)

### **This Vancouver**

**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. Latest addition to this collection is:

- **What Changes You?**



## News from Library and Archives Canada

Blog and news postings of recent additions and updated information on the [Library and Archives Canada](#) website include the following:

[The beta testing is over, we are officially releasing our Collection Search tool!](#)

[Come and meet our staff in Vancouver!](#)

[Library and Archives Canada Joins the Canadian Research Knowledge Network as Institutional Member](#)

[New Co-Lab challenge – 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Winnipeg General Strike](#)

[What's new in the collection: the spring 2019 edition is out!](#)

[What's new in the collection: the 2019 summer edition is here!](#)

[Women in the War: The Women's Royal Canadian Naval Service \(WRCNS\)](#)

## News from

 [ancestry library edition](#)

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

### Updated and New Canadian Databases

- Canada, Find A Grave Index, 1600s-Current
- Canada, Obituary Collection, 1898-Current
- Nova Scotia, Canada, Land Petitions, 1765-1800

### Updated and New United Kingdom and Ireland Databases

- Africa, Asia and Europe, Passenger Lists of Displaced Persons, 1946-1971
- Bexley, Kent, England, Electoral Registers, 1734-1965
- Birmingham, England, Church of England Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, 1538-1812
- Bristol, England, Church of England Baptisms, 1813-1918
- Bristol, England, Church of England Burials, 1813-1994
- Bristol, England, Church of England Marriages and Banns, 1754-1935
- Edinburgh, Scotland, Electoral Registers, 1832-1966
- England & Scotland, Select Cemetery Registers, 1800-2016
- England & Wales, Civil Divorce Records, 1858-1918
- England and Wales, Death Index, 1989-2018
- England, Select Births and Christenings, 1538-1975
- Essex, England, Church of England Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, 1538-1812
- Essex, England, Church of England Births and Baptisms, 1813-1918
- Essex, England, Church of England Deaths and Burials, 1813-1994
- Essex, England, Church of England Marriages, 1754-1935
- Europe, Registration of Foreigners and German Persecutees, 1939-1947
- Global, Find A Grave Index for Burials at Sea and other Select Burial Locations, 1300s-Current
- London, England, Poor Law and Board of Guardian Records, 1738-1926
- Norfolk, England, Bishop's Transcripts, 1579-1935
- North Lanarkshire, Scotland, Electoral Registers, 1847-1969
- North Lanarkshire, Scotland, Poor Law Applications and Registers, 1849-1917
- Pembrokeshire, Wales, Electoral Registers, 1740-1978

- Scotland and Northern Ireland, Death Index, 1989-2018
- Staffordshire, England, Birth, Marriage and Death Indexes, 1837-2017
- Surrey, England, Church of England Baptisms, 1813-1917
- Surrey, England, Church of England Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, 1538-1812
- Surrey, England, Church of England Burials, 1813-1987
- Surrey, England, Church of England Marriages and Banns, 1754-1937
- UK and Ireland, Find A Grave Index, 1300s-Current
- UK, D-Day War Diaries and Photographs, 1944
- UK, WWI Pension Ledgers and Index Cards, 1914-1923
- Wales, Wills and Probate, 1513-1858
- Wiltshire, England, Wills and Probate, 1530-1858



News from  FAMILYSEARCH

#### Updated and New Canadian Collections

- Canada, Prairie Provinces Census, 1926
- Manitoba Church Records, 1800-1959
- Nova Scotia Births, 1864-1877
- Nova Scotia Deaths, 1864-1877
- Nova Scotia Marriages, 1864-1918

#### United Kingdom and Ireland Collections Recently Added or Updated

- England and Wales Census, 1911
- England and Wales Census, 1871
- England and Wales Census, 1851

- England Births and Christenings, 1538-1975
- England, Cambridge Parish Registers, 1538-1983
- England Deaths and Burials, 1538-1991
- England, Essex Parish Registers, 1538-1997
- England, Hampshire Parish Registers, 1538-1980
- England, Herefordshire Bishop's Transcripts, 1583-1898
- England, Huntingdonshire Parish Registers
- England, Lancashire, Rusholme Road Cemetery 1821-1933
- England Marriages, 1538-1973
- England, Middlesex, Westminster, Parish Registers, 1538-1912
- England, Shropshire Parish Registers, 1538-1918
- England, Warwickshire, Parish Registers, 1535-1963
- Ireland, Diocesan and Prerogative Marriage License Bonds Indexes, 1623-1866
- Ireland, Diocesan and Prerogative Wills & Administrations Indexes, 1595-1858
- Scotland Census, 1891
- Scotland Census, 1881
- Scotland Census, 1871
- Scotland Census, 1861
- Scotland Census, 1851
- Scotland Census, 1841
- Scotland Presbyterian & Protestant Church Records, 1736-1990

**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, Caribbean and Central America, Continental Europe, Mexico, South America and the United States of America. Click on **Last Updated** to get the latest additions to the collections.

[Australia & New Zealand](#)

[Caribbean and Central America](#)



## Continental Europe

## Mexico

## South America

## United States of America



## FindMyPast \*

Check out these new and updated additions to the [FindMyPast](#) Collections.

- 1939 Register
- Berkshire Marriages Index
- Britain, Knights of the Realm & Commonwealth Index
- Britain, Physicians and Surgeons, 1830-1923
- British Armed Forces and Overseas Browse
- British Armed Forces, First World War Soldiers' Medical Records
- British Army Records & Regimental Histories
- British in Ceylon Parish Records
- British Officers Serving in Early America, 1614-1787
- Canada, Ontario, Oddfellows Life Insurance Applications
- Church of Scotland Ministers 1560-1949
- Cumberland Baptisms
- Cumberland Burials
- Cumberland Marriages
- Derbyshire Deaths and Burials
- Donegal Workhouses Registers and Minute Books
- Dorset Memorial Inscriptions
- England & Wales Government Probate Death Index 1960-2019
- England & Wales Merchant Navy Crew Lists 1861-1913
- England, Phillimore Marriage Registers, 1531-1913
- Greater London Burial Index
- Huddersfield Baptisms
- Irish Boundary Commission Records 1924-1925
- Irish Parish Register Baptisms & Confirmations, Ffolliott Collection
- Isle of Man Roll of Honour WW1
- Kent Baptisms
- Kent Burials
- Kent Marriages and Banns
- Lancashire Banns & Marriages
- Lancashire Baptisms
- Lancashire Burials
- Lancashire Wills & Probate 1457-1858
- Lincolnshire Baptisms
- Manchester, Peterloo Witnesses and Casualties, 1819
- Middlesex Baptisms
- Middlesex Monumental Inscriptions
- Prisoners of War 1715-1945
- Scotland, Court & Criminal Database
- Scotland, Darien Scheme Investors 1696
- Scotland, Forfarshire (Angus), Dundee, D C Thomson Staff War Album 1939-1945
- Scotland, Forfarshire (Angus), Dundee Militia Lists 1801
- Scotland, Forfarshire (Angus) Dundee Poor Lists 1821-1840
- Scotland, Glasgow & Lanarkshire Death & Burial Index
- Scotland, Highland Poor Law 1845-1929
- Scotland, Highlands and Islands Assisted Emigration 1852-1857
- Scotland Mental Health Institutions Registers & Admissions 1808-1883
- Scotland, Newspaper Birth Notices
- Scotland, Newspaper Death Reports & Obituaries
- Scotland, Newspaper Marriage & Anniversary Notices
- Scotland, Occupations & Professions
- Scotland, Orkney, 1821 South Ronaldsay & Burray Census
- Scotland, Published Family Histories

- Scotland Roman Catholic Parish Baptisms
- Scotland Roman Catholic Parish Burials
- Scotland Roman Catholic Parish Congregational Records
- Scotland Roman Catholic Parish Marriages
- Scotland, Scottish Peerages
- Scotland, Shetland Newspaper Birth Index 1872-1990
- Scotland, Wigtownshire & Minnigaff Parish Lists 1684
- UK Electoral Registers & Companies House Directors 2002-2019
- Yorkshire Memorial Inscriptions
- Yorkshire School Logs

**\*NOTE:** Full access to all is by subscription

However, you can now access **FindMyPast** for free at the Vancouver Public Library's **Central Library** with the new **Library and Archives Canada** service.



## MyHeritage \*

Check out these new and updated additions to the **MyHeritage** Collections.

- 1940 Demark Census
- 1910 Norway Census
- 1900 Norway Census
- 1891 Norway Census
- Australia Electoral Rolls, 1893-1949
- Australian World War II Nominal Roll, 1939-1945
- Baltimore, Maryland Passenger Lists, 1891-1943

- Denmark, Copenhagen Police Registrations, 1890-1923
- France, Nord Civil Marriages, 1792-1937
- Honolulu, Hawaii Passenger Lists, 1900-1953
- Massachusetts Newspapers, 1704-1974
- Netherland, Population Registers, 1810-1936
- Netherlands, Church Baptisms, 1580-1811
- Netherlands, Church Burials, 1601-1811
- Netherlands, Church Marriages, 1580-1811
- Netherlands, Civil Births, 1811-1915
- Netherlands, Civil Deaths, 1811-1965
- Netherlands, Civil Marriages, 1811-1940
- Netherlands Newspapers, 1659-1899
- New Jersey Marriage License Index, 1915-2016
- New York City Birth Index, 1878-1909
- New York City Death Index, 1862-1948
- New York State Death Index, 1880-1956
- Pennsylvania Death Index, 1906-1964
- Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Passenger Lists, 1883-1945
- Port of New York, Index to Discharged or Deserted Crew, 1917-1957
- Quebec Marriage Returns, 1926-1997
- United States and Canada, Index of Obituaries, 1900-2019
- US Naturalization Records, Northern California, 1852-1989

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## Hidden Finds

### Success with a little help from a stranger

C.A. Lewis, M.A.

Ireland research in the 1800s and earlier can be a challenge. Several years ago, I was searching for a 2<sup>nd</sup> great-grandfather, the CAMPION line. Arthur Gifford CAMPION died in Bath Ontario on Nov 29, 1876, and the death registration stated his birthplace as Bristol England. However, written underneath Bristol, was a line through the words Cork County Ireland. Hmmm, that was my second clue that perhaps Arthur had been born in County Cork, as he had stated his wife was born in County Cork on her death registration the previous year.

I started searching on County Cork historical records and websites after finding nothing on FindMyPast, Ancestry, nor FamilySearch. Along the way I found an interesting site, [CorkPastandPresent.ie](http://CorkPastandPresent.ie), which had tantalizing clues to the Campions, but no definite ancestors.

I then wrote a blog post about Arthur and his wife Ellen McCarthy, and a friendly stranger contacted me with the recommendation I have a look at the [Grove White Notebooks](#) on the Cork Past and Present website. He was searching the McCarthy lines and had run across many Campions there.

Several emails back and forth helped me finally find the Grove White Notebooks listed – not under the Genealogy tab on the home page – but under the Place tab. I chose [North Cork](#) [county] from the selection on the left, and immediately saw the notebooks listed. My email stranger told me the Campions lived around Leitrim, and I quickly found a Captain Thomas Campion, b. 1619 Co. Cork, his wife and children. Capt Thomas Campion was the grantee of the Leitrim Parish lands after the 1641 rebellion. I worked my way slowly through the pages, checking all names and dates, page

by page. Thomas CAMPION the third direct line son, married a Mary GIFFORD, daughter of Col. John GIFFORD. Whew, there's that GIFFORD surname! I knew I must be close. At the 9<sup>th</sup> generation down from the first Capt. Thomas Campion I suddenly saw:

*"Gifford , b. 1787, whose son lived at Bath, Ontario."*

I squealed so loudly I scared my cat and brought my son out of his room to see the problem! No problem, just an unexpected wonderful success story, all thanks to a friendly stranger knowledgeable about my Campions in the north of County Cork.

Writing about my various ancestors has been a very successful journey to finding more details and connecting to 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> cousins – plus helpful strangers. Best of luck in your searches!

By the way, these Notebooks – 4 of them – can be downloaded as PDFs to your computer, for searching at any time.

## Getting Started...

United States 

Mountain States

(Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, Wyoming)

Are you looking for your American ancestors, specifically those who lived in one of the Mountain States? Genealogists can begin their search with **Ancestry Library Edition** (accessible at the Vancouver Public Library) and/or with the [United States of America](#) 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 American roots.

Please **NOTE** that some tools and resources may require either a subscription or membership for full access.

### [Archives West](#)

Access to primary resources from repositories in the western United States (Montana, Idaho, Utah).

### [Library of Congress Chronicling America](#)

Search the historic newspapers of these Mountain States from 1789 to 1963.

### [Mountain West Digital Library](#)

Portal to digital resources from universities, colleges, public libraries, archives, museums, and historical societies in Utah, Nevada, Idaho, Montana, Oregon and Hawaii.

## [Arizona](#)

[Arizona Department of Health Services  
Arizona Genealogy Birth and Death  
Certificates](#)

[Arizona Historical Society](#)

[Arizona State Library, Archives, & Public  
Records  
Digital Arizona Library](#)

[Northern Arizona Genealogical Society](#)

[University of Arizona  
Special Collections](#)

## [Colorado](#)

[Colorado Encyclopedia](#)

[Colorado Genealogical Society](#)

[Colorado State Archives](#)

[Colorado State Library  
Colorado Historic Newspapers Collection](#)

[Denver Public Library  
Digital Collections](#)

[History Colorado  
History Colorado Online Collection](#)

[National Archives  
National Archives at Denver](#)

## [Idaho](#)

[Idaho Genealogical Society](#)

[Idaho State Archives](#)

[Idaho State Historical Society](#)

[University of Idaho Library  
Collections](#)

## [Montana](#)

[Montana Historical Society](#)

[Montana Historical Society  
Montana Newspapers](#)

[Montana Memory Project](#)

[Montana State Genealogical Society](#)

## [Nevada](#)

[Nevada Library Cooperative](#)

[Nevada State Library, Archives and Public  
Records  
Digital Collections](#)

[University of Nevada, Las Vegas  
Digital Collections](#)

## [New Mexico](#)

[Hispanic Genealogical Research Center of  
New Mexico](#)

[Historical Society for Southeast New Mexico](#)

[Historical Society of New Mexico](#)

[New Mexico Genealogical Society](#)

[New Mexico Historical Newspapers](#)

[New Mexico State Library](#)

[New Mexico State Records Center and Archives](#)

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[Wyoming State Library Digital Collection Suite](#)

## Canadian Archives, Museums and Genealogical Societies

### Alberta Genealogical Society Edmonton Branch

#### Alberta Name Index (ANI)

Alberta ancestors? You can search the [Alberta Name Index](#) for an ancestor's name which may have been referenced in various sources such as coroner records, land records, funeral home records, obituaries, probate files, local histories, etc.

### British Columbia Archives

#### Civil Registration Records

Death records for 1998 and marriage records for 1943 are now available from the [British Columbia Archives](#).

### British Isles Family History Society of Greater Ottawa

#### Middlemore Index

The [British Isles Family History Society of Greater Ottawa](#) has updated the [Middlemore Index](#). Check it out and be sure to read the "[Guide to the Middlemore Index and Sources](#)" for more information.

### Women's Emigration 1903-1906

New research material has been made available by the [British Isles Family History Society of Greater Ottawa](#).

### World War II Unaccompanied British Child Evacuees to Canada

Another research resource recently made available by the [British Isles Family History Society of Greater Ottawa](#).

### Northern Routes

#### Cultural Experience

[Northern Routes](#) is a new website that has been launched to showcase Northern British Columbia's premier museums, galleries and cultural attractions.



## Nova Scotia Archives

### Nova Scotia Historical Newspapers

Local newspapers are a vital source of information and reflect the cultural and social life of their communities. The newly digitized addition to the [Nova Scotia Historical Newspapers](#) is [The Eastern Chronicle](#).

### Nova Scotia Historical Vital Statistics

An additional 26,770 historical vital statistics have been added to the website. Birth records for 1918, marriage records for 1943 and death records for 1968 have been digitized and fully indexed.

## Nova Scotia Museum of Industry

### Coal Mining Fatalities

Explore this new database of Nova Scotia coal mining fatalities which contain names, dates, counties, mines, and causes of death. The database with close to 2500 recorded deaths can be searched by name and filtered by county.

## Ontario Ancestors

### IOOF Insurance Applications

Application forms, between 1875 and 1929, for the life insurance program instituted by the Independent Order of Oddfellows and later operated by Empire Life, have been indexed and partially scanned. Non-members can access the index but full access to the scanned images is limited to members of the [Ontario Genealogical Society](#). Scanned files may be purchased by non-members.

## Vernon's Directories

Ontario ancestors? Check out the newly digitized [Vernon's City Directories](#) to search for and learn more about your Ontario ancestors. The directories are fully searchable and freely available. This digital initiative was undertaken by [Ontario Ancestors](#), in partnership with [Library and Archives Canada](#) and [FamilySearch International](#). To access and learn more about the [Vernon's Directories](#) click [here](#).

## Provincial Archives of New Brunswick

### Vital Statistics from Government Records

Digitized images of 5,013 death records for 1968 have been added to the vital statistics search engine of the [Provincial Archives of New Brunswick](#).

## Canadian Universities and Libraries

## BC Studies: The British Columbian Quarterly

You can now view and search the quarterly journal [British Columbia Studies](#) online. Included on the website is a searchable online index and bibliography. Note that full access to some issues is limited. Access and learn about the [British Columbia Studies](#) [here](#).

## University of British Columbia

### Open Collections

#### BC Sessional Papers

The [British Columbia Sessional Papers](#) are now accessible online through the [University of British Columbia's Open Collections](#). Browse or search one hundred and six years of British Columbia's governmental papers which were tabled in the Legislative Council of British Columbia and the British Columbia Legislative Assembly.

#### British Columbia History

More online issues of the quarterly magazine, [British Columbia History](#), by the [British Columbia Historical Federation](#), have been added to the [University of British Columbia's Open Collections](#). Archived issues of [British Columbia History](#) can now be browsed or searched from 1924 to 2015.

You can also explore other featured [UBC's Open Collections](#) [here](#).

## University of Guelph

### Rural Diary Archive

More than 150 diarists, young and old, female and male, scattered throughout rural Ontario, are featured in the **Rural Diary Archive**. These diaries written from 1800 to 1960 highlight and honour rural life in Ontario. More diaries are to be added. You can participate in this endeavour by helping with the transcription. More details can be found on the **Rural Diary Archive website**.

## University of New Brunswick

### Early Modern Maritime Recipes

Together with **Dalhousie University**, the **University of New Brunswick** has compiled recipes in print and manuscript that circulated before 1800, from what is now the Maritime Provinces. The recipes featured in the **Early Modern Maritime Recipes** website include not only those for food and drinks, but also recipes used for all kinds of other purposes such as medicine, cosmetics, alchemy, household items, etc.



## New and Updated Digital Initiatives

## Archives of Michigan

### Michiganology

The **Michiganology** website is the new online platform for the **Archives of Michigan**. Materials available online include: death records, photographs, maps, rural property inventories and much more.

## Arolsen Archives – International Center on Nazi Persecution

13 million documents can now be found and searched online at the **Arolsen Archives – International Center on Nazi Persecution**, formerly known as the International Tracing Service. Access and discover more about the **Arolsen Archives here**.

## Bomb Sight

### Mapping the WW2 Bomb Census

**Bomb Sight** is a website where you can explore the London blitz from 7<sup>th</sup> October 1940 to 6<sup>th</sup> June 1941 through maps, images and memories.

## Boston Public Library

### City of Boston Tax Records, 1780-1821

A collection of early Boston tax records dating from 1780 through 1821 has been digitized which provide a wealth of information not only on individual residents of Boston but also on the neighbourhoods where they lived. The **City of Boston Tax Records, 1780-1821** is available **here**.

## British History Online

### Dictionary of English Furniture Makers 1660-1840

A new addition to **British History Online** is the **Dictionary of English Furniture Makers 1660-1840**, edited by Geoffrey Beard and Christopher Gilbert.

### Petitions to the Worcestershire Quarter Sessions

Explore transcriptions of petitions submitted to the Justices of the Peace at the Quarter Sessions for Worcestershire.

### Petitions to the Cheshire Quarter Sessions

Explore transcriptions of petitions submitted to the Justices of the Peace at the Quarter Sessions for Cheshire.

## Canadian Research and Mapping Association

### Project '44 – The Road to Liberation

With the use of war diaries, aerial imagery, photographs and digital maps, track the Normandy campaign through this online web map (Beta).



## **Cowra Japanese War Cemetery Database**

A bilingual database of Japanese civilian internees and prisoners of war, who died during World War II and were buried in the **Cowra Japanese War Cemetery** (Cowra, New South Wales), has been commissioned by the Embassy of Japan in Canberra. Access the **Cowra Japanese War Cemetery Database** [here](#).

## **DigitalNC – North Carolina’s Digital Heritage**

Do you have ancestors from North Carolina? If so, check out these latest additions to their digitized **newspaper collections**: The Carolinian, The Chowan Herald and The Concord Daily Tribune.

Then, take the opportunity to explore other materials on the **DigitalNC** website such as city directories, photographs, yearbooks, memorabilia, moving images, oral histories and much more.

## **Duke University Libraries Digital Repository**

### **Women’s Travel Diaries**

Explore this new addition to the **Duke Digital Repository** which features travel diaries written by British and American women. Browse over 150 diaries which chronicle the journeys and exploits from around the globe of these adventurous women.

Also, take this opportunity to browse other **digital collections** in the **Duke Digital Repository**.

## **Indianapolis Public Library Digital Collections Digital Indy**

The **Indianapolis Firefighters Museum** and the **Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department** collections are new additions to the **Indianapolis Public Library’s Digital Indy**. Explore these collections as well as others on the **Digital Indy** site.

## **Internet Archive**

### **78 RPMs and Cylinder Recordings**

The **Internet Archive’s Great 78 Project** is looking for more recordings to add to their already phenomenal online collection. Listen to these recordings released in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century which have been already digitized.

## **Irishgenealogy.ie**

### **Civil Records**

Great news! An additional two years of **civil records** of births, marriages and deaths are now available online. Years now covered include:

- Births: 1864-1918
- Marriages: 1864-1943
- Deaths: 1878-1968

## **Limerick City and County Council Limerick Archives**

### **Digital Archives**

Books for three more Poor Law Unions in the counties of Croom, Glin and Kilmallock have been added to the **Limerick Digital Archives**.

- **Croom Union Board of Guardians Minute Books, 1852-1922**
- **Glin Union Board of Management Minute Books, 1893-1921**
- **Kilmallock Union Board of Guardians Minute Books, 1839-1922**

## **Manuscript Pamphleteering in Early Stuart England**

An online project to survey **early Stuart England’s manuscript pamphlets** has been launched.

## **National Archives (USA)**

### **U.S. Navy Muster Rolls**

More than 500 volumes of 19<sup>th</sup> century **U.S. Naval Muster Rolls** have been digitized and include the following information: terms of enlistment, names, ratings, dates of enlistment, enlistment locations, birthplaces, ages, and personal descriptions of the enlisted seamen. Browse the **U.S. Naval Muster Rolls** [here](#).

## National Library of Australia

### Australian Joint Copying Project

The [Australian Joint Copying Project](#) is an online portal which provides entry into an extensive and unique collection of historical records related to Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific.

See the latest news on the project digitization [here](#).

## National Library of New Zealand

### Papers Past

#### Newspapers

Latest additions to the [Papers Past's Newspapers](#) include:

- Ashburton Guardian (1922-1950)
- Industrial Unionist (1913)
- Wairarapa Daily Times (1920-Mar 1938)

#### Magazines and Journals

Latest additions to the [Papers Past's Magazines and Journals](#) include:

- Canterbury Police Gazette (1863-1877)
- Forest and Bird (1924-1945)
- New Zealand Police Gazette (1877-1945)
- Otago Police Gazette (1861-1877)

## New York City Department of Records & Information Services

### New York County Jury Census

A newly digitized resource that provides a glimpse of life in New York City in the early 19<sup>th</sup> century is the [New York County Jury Census](#). This collection consists of 21 bound volumes containing tally sheets of returns for the City and County of New York, organized by ward. These tally sheets from 1816, 1819, and 1821 were taken to determine if residents where eligible for jury duty and include categories such as: name of inhabitants, number of houses, name of street, occupation, age, reason for exemption from jury, total number of jurors, the number of male and female white inhabitants, aliens, colored inhabitants not slaves, slaves, etc.

## 1940 'Tax' Photograph Collection

Between 1929 and 1941, photographs of every building in the five boroughs of New York City were taken to improve the process for recording and determining property value assessments. These photographs, some 720,000 digital images, are now available online providing a snapshot of where New Yorkers lived in the 1940s.

- [Bronx 1940s Tax Photos](#)
- [Brooklyn 1940s Tax Photos](#)
- [Manhattan 1940s Tax Photos](#)
- [Queens 1940s Tax Photos](#)
- [Staten Island 1940s Tax Photos](#)

## Province of British Columbia

### Provincial Heritage Artifacts Database

A searchable web app has been launched by the province to bring together the collections of the **Provincial Heritage Properties** into one.

The artifact collections include the following:

- Cottonwood House
- Craigflower Manor
- Craigflower Schoolhouse
- Emily Carr House
- Fort Steele Heritage Town
- Grist Mill and Gardens Keremeos
- Historic Hat Creek Ranch
- Yale Historic Site
- Kilby Historic Site
- Point Ellice House

## Royal Collection Trust

### Georgian Papers Online

Newly digitized additions to the [Georgian Papers Online](#) include:

- Official papers of George IV
- George IV's financial records
- Georgian military records





## Royal College of Nursing Digital Archives

Nursing badges and medals, personal papers and oral histories, postcards and photographs, annual reports and other documents are all part of an extensive collection, dating from the 1870s to the present day, to preserve the legacy of the **Royal College of Nursing**. Learn more about the Royal College of Nursing and the nursing profession through the [Royal College of Nursing Digital Archives](#).

## ScotlandsPeople

[ScotlandsPeople](#) is the official Scottish government source of genealogical data for Scotland. The fee-based site provides access to indexes and images from old parish registers, statutory (civil) registers, census records, valuation rolls and much more.

Newly released online include the following:

- [Highland and Island Emigration Society Records](#)
- [Presbyterian baptisms, 1752-1855](#)
- [Valuation Rolls for 1940](#)

## State Library of Massachusetts Bird's Eye View Maps

Bird's eye view maps of cities and towns in Massachusetts have been digitized and are now available online. More maps to be added in the near future. Learn more and explore the [Bird's Eye View Maps](#) [here](#).

## Stornoway and Environs Historic Maps, 1780s-1960s

Do you have ancestors from Stornoway? If so, check out this new website where you can browse historic maps from the 1780s to the 1960s of Stornoway and surrounding areas. The [Stornoway and Environs Historic Maps](#) website is a collaborative project between **Western Isles Libraries** and the **National Library of Scotland**.



## Tennessee State Library & Archives Patriot Paths

A new project, entitled [Patriot Paths](#), has been created and implemented by the **Tennessee State Library & Archives**. With the use of Revolutionary War pension records, the paths or routes that soldiers took before and after their service have been mapped to show when and where they went and to tell the stories of these revolutionary soldiers.

## University of Virginia Law Library Scottish Court of Session Digital Archive

Want to learn more about life in early America? Through the **Scottish Court of Session Digital Archive**, explore the different types of documents submitted to Scotland's supreme civil court for litigation; materials such as divorce proceedings, intellectual property and copyright disputes, land ownership and matters of succession, and contract and commercial cases. Learn more about the Scottish Court of Session and its relationship to America [here](#).

## 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.**

Program Room  
Level 3, 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.



## **In the Trenches: Digitized First World War Records – A Library and Archives Canada Introductory Workshop**

**Friday, November 1, 2019**

**2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.**

Computer Training Lab  
Level 3, Central Branch  
350 West Georgia Street

Are you interested in researching your ancestors' First World War military service?

This introductory genealogy workshop teaches participants how to access Canadian Expeditionary Force service files, identify an individual's military unit and consult various digitized resources such as war diaries to learn about the context of an individual's service.

Basic ability to use a keyboard and mouse is required.

In partnership with Library and Archives Canada.

**Registration** required.

For more information contact: Programming and Learning Services at [info@vpl.ca](mailto:info@vpl.ca) at **604 331-3603**

## **In the Trenches: Digitized First World War Records – A Library and Archives Canada Introductory Workshop**

**Wednesday, November 6, 2019**

**7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.**

Kitsilano Branch  
2425 MacDonald Street

Are you interested in researching your ancestors' First World War military service?

This introductory genealogy workshop teaches participants how to access Canadian Expeditionary Force service files, identify an individual's military unit and consult various

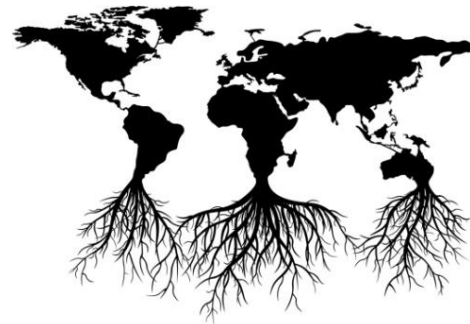
digitized resources such as war diaries to learn about the context of an individual's service.

Basic ability to use a keyboard and mouse is required.

In partnership with Library and Archives Canada.

**Registration** required.

For more information contact: Kitsilano Branch Library at [info@vpl.ca](mailto:info@vpl.ca) at **604 665-3976**



## **Genealogy: Trace Your Ancestors with Ancestry Library Edition**

**Wednesday, December 11, 2019**

**2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

Computer Training Lab  
Level 3, Central Branch  
350 West Georgia Street

Working on some genealogical research? Learn tips and tricks for searching the library's Ancestry Library Edition database to help you with your research in this hands-on workshop.

Eager to start exploring? See our **Genealogy and Family History** research guide online.

*No registration required. First come, first seated. Please consider arriving early as seating is limited.*

For more information contact: Programming and Learning Services at [info@vpl.ca](mailto:info@vpl.ca) at **604 331-3603**

## Other Vancouver Public Library Programs of Interest



### **Invisible Generations**

**Sunday, October 20, 2019**

**2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

Montalbano Family Theatre  
Level 8, Central Branch  
350 West Georgia Street

Governor General award-winning historian Jean Barman presents her new book and shares the story of Irene Kelleher, the first BC woman of Indigenous heritage to be awarded a teaching certificate. *Invisible Generations: Living Between Indigenous and White in the Fraser Valley*: exposes the prejudice the Kelleher family faced for being of mixed Indigenous and white descent.

In partnership with Caitlin Press.

For more information call **(604) 331-3603** or email [info@vpl.ca](mailto:info@vpl.ca)

### **Film Screening: The Story of the Coast Salish Knitters**

**Tuesday, October 22, 2019**

**6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Firehall Branch  
1455 West 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue

Join us for a free screening of **The Story of the Coast Salish Knitters**.

For almost a century, the Coast Salish knitters of southern Vancouver Island have produced Cowichan sweaters from hand-spun wool. These distinctive sweaters are known and loved around the world, but the Indigenous women who make them remain largely invisible. Combining rare archival footage with the voices of three generations of wool-workers, *The Story of the Coast Salish Knitters*

tells the tale of unsung heroines—resourceful women who knit to put food on the table and keep their families alive.

This film is in English.

Runtime: 52 min.

For more information call **(604) 331-3603** or email [info@vpl.ca](mailto:info@vpl.ca)

### **Film Screening: Rosies of the North**

**Tuesday, November 12, 2019**

**7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

South Hill Neighbourhood Centre  
5888 Fraser Street

Join us for a free double-header screening of ***Rosies of the North***.

They raised children, baked cakes... and built world-class fighter planes. Sixty years ago, thousands of women from Thunder Bay and the Prairies participated in the greatest industrial war effort in Canadian history. The film recounts the story of the women at the Canadian Car and Foundry in Fort William, Ontario, including female engineer Elsie MacGill, who became known as the “Queen of the Hurricanes”.

Runtime: 46 mins

For more information call **(604) 331-3603** or email [info@vpl.ca](mailto:info@vpl.ca)

### **Top Docs: They Shall Not Grow Old**

**Wednesday, November 20, 2019**

**6:00 p.m. – 7:45 p.m.**

Mount Pleasant Branch  
1 Kingsway

Join us on the third Wednesday of the month to watch a documentary and have a discussion.

This month's documentary: **THEY SHALL NOT GROW OLD**

A documentary about World War I with never-before-seen footage to commemorate the centennial of the end of the war.

Rating: R for disturbing war images

Runtime: 99 min

Voucher system in place and available at 5 p.m. on a first-come, first-served basis

For more information call **(604) 665-3962** or email **info@vpl.ca**

### **Riding the Continent**

**Wednesday, November 20, 2019**

**6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Dunbar Branch  
4515 Dunbar Street

Enjoy a transcontinental road trip in search of the rich bird life of North America in ***Riding the Continent***.

An early British Columbia writer and naturalist, Hamilton Mack Laing believed that riding his Harley-Davidson Barking Betsy was the best way to explore the bird life he loved to write about.

Join motorcycle travel writer and editor Trevor Marc Hughes as he brings Laing's travel tale to life – a tale of natural beauty, sounds and characters from Brooklyn to Oakland in 1915.

For more information call **(604) 331-3603** or email **info@vpl.ca**

### **Film Screening: Honouring Indigenous Veterans and Elders**

**Monday, November 25, 2019**

**6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

Carnegie Branch  
401 Main Street

Join us for free screenings of ***Forgotten Warriors***, ***Urban Elder***, and ***Spirit Doctors***.

*Forgotten Warriors* introduces us to thousands of Indigenous Canadians who enlisted and fought alongside their countrymen and women during World War II, even though they could not be conscripted. Ironically, while they fought for the freedom of others, they were being denied equality in their own country and returned home to find their land seized.

*Runtime: 51 min*

Meet Vern Harper, *Urban Elder*, who walks the "Red Road" in a fast-paced, urban landscape. The camera follows Vern as he leads a sweat lodge purification ceremony, watches his 11-year-old daughter Cody at a classical ballet rehearsal, conducts a private healing ceremony, participates in a political march of 150,000 people and counsels Indigenous prisoners at Warkworth Federal Prison.

*Runtime: 28 min*

*Spirit Doctors* journeys into the spiritual world of traditional Indigenous medicine, a world inhabited by Mary and Ed Louie. With a lifetime of experience in the ways of spirituality, they are committed to practices that keep them accountable to the spirit world, their people and Mother Earth. When one of the crew members get sick while shooting, his subsequent care is recorded for the purposes of this film.

*Runtime: 40 min*

For more information call **(604) 331-3603** or email **info@vpl.ca**



## Film Screening: Finding Dawn

Tuesday, December 10, 2019

6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Firehall Branch

1455 West 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue

Join us for a free screening of *Finding Dawn*.

Métis filmmaker Christine Welsh investigates the fate of an estimated 500 Canadian Indigenous women who have been murdered or have gone missing over the past 30 years.

This film is in English.

Runtime: 74 min.

For more information call (604) 331-3603 or email [info@vpl.ca](mailto:info@vpl.ca)

To see a complete list of upcoming programs and events at the Vancouver Public Library visit our [Events Calendar](#).

**Be sure to check back as new entries are added all the time!**

## 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 contact the [British Columbia Genealogical Society](#).

## British Columbia Genealogical Society Open House

Friday, October 18, 2019

10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Walter Draycott Memorial Library and Resources

211 – 12837 76<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Surrey, B.C.

The British Columbia Genealogical Society and Walter Draycott Memorial Library and Resources invite all members of the public especially genealogists and family history researchers to an open house.

The BCGS library is named after Walter Draycott, a long-time member and active genealogist that lived until he was 102. It is a FamilySearch affiliate. Over the past year there have been many donations and collections added. The library now has over 20,000 books, 10,000 journals and newsletters, and more than 15,000 newspaper clippings. Along with many online reference tools that are available to enhance genealogy and family history research.

There will be BCGS members on hand to answer visitor questions. For more information call [604-502-9119](tel:604-502-9119) or refer to the [British Columbia Genealogical Society](#) website.

## Finding Your Roots – Tri-Stake Seminar

Saturday, October 19, 2019

8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Surrey Family History Center

6270 – 126 Street, Surrey, B.C.

Free. Preregistration is required.

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.

For more information see the [Finding Your Roots](#) website of the Surrey Family History Center.

## **Ancestry Library Edition Presentation**

**Tuesday, October 22, 2019**

**2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.**

Surrey Public Library

Semiahmoo Branch

1815 152 Street, Surrey, B.C.

Learn how to use Ancestry Library Edition. Improve your searching skills and become a better family history researcher.

Registration required. Contact the branch to sign up.

To register and for more information call **604-592-6908**

## **Her Story**

**Friday, October 25, 2019**

**1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.**

Surrey Public Library

Ocean Park Branch

12854 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Surrey, B.C.

The stories of women are often overlooked or hidden amongst the narratives of powerful men. Join the Surrey Archives in reading records to find the numerous and distinct contributions of local women to Surrey's past.

Registration required. Contact [Surrey Archives](#) to sign up.

For more information call **604-502-6459** or email [archives@surrey.ca](mailto:archives@surrey.ca)

## **Fun Family History Fridays**

**Fridays, Nov. 1, Dec. 6, 2019**

**2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

Surrey Public Library

City Centre Branch

10350 University Drive, Surrey, B.C.

Join a drop-in chat for all family historians.

No registration required. Drop-in.

Contact: Carmen Merrells, Librarian at **604-598-7447** or email [cmerrells@surrey.ca](mailto:cmerrells@surrey.ca)

## **Family History Orientation**

**Saturdays, November 2, December 7, 2019**

**10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**

Surrey Public Library

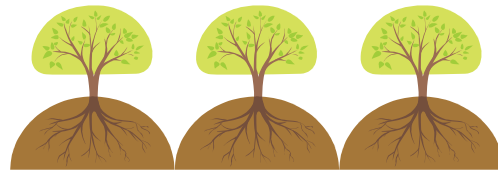
City Centre Branch

10350 University Drive, Surrey, B.C.

Learn to use one of the largest collections of family history materials in western Canada. This orientation to the Family History department will introduce you to our online databases, books, journals, and microfilm records.

Free. Registration required.

For more information call **604-598-7328** or email: [familyhistory@surrey.ca](mailto:familyhistory@surrey.ca)



## **Genealogy Group**

**Thursday, November 21, 2019**

**10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

Fraser Valley Regional Library

Sardis Library

5819 Tyson Road, Chilliwack, B.C.

Share ideas, learn new tips and tricks, solve research roadblocks, and learn the history of the area and era you are researching. The Genealogy Group welcomes new members.

Remembrance Day – where to get these records. Do you have family stories or pictures to share? Other conflicts include: War of 1812, Korea, Vietnam.

For more information call **(604) 858-5503**



## **DNA for Family History Friday, November 22, 2019**

**2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

Surrey Public Library Community Event  
Newton Seniors' Centre  
13775 – 70 Avenue, Surrey, B.C.

Join us for a presentation on DNA for family history research, also known as genetic genealogy.

What is it? How does it work? What are the differences between different types of DNA tests? What can they do for family history researchers, and what can't they do?

The discussion will include what to do with test results, the terminology used in results, and privacy issues.

No registration required.

For more information call **604-598-7328** or email: [familyhistory@surrey.ca](mailto:familyhistory@surrey.ca)

## **Writing and Publishing Your Family History**

**Presenters: Brenda L. Smith and Andrea Lister**

**Saturday, November 23, 2019**

**10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

Surrey Public Library Community Event  
Cloverdale Recreation Centre  
6188 – 176<sup>th</sup> Street, Surrey, B.C.  
Cost: \$15

Morning session: Writing Your Family History

Start writing your family history! Working with your own materials, learn how to develop the skills necessary for writing non-fiction from a family history point of view. Discover how to move from gathering information to creating a publishable product. Presented by Brenda L. Smith

Afternoon session: Publishing Your Family History

Do you want to publish your family history but make it more engaging than a list of when people were born and died? Do you want to turn your research into a book but not sure where to start? Who is your audience? What tools and skills do you need? Are there options beyond the book? Presented by Andrea Lister

Program day includes light lunch and refreshments.

Registration required. Contact City Centre branch to sign up.

For more information call **604-598-7328** or email [familyhistory@surrey.ca](mailto:familyhistory@surrey.ca)

## **Genealogy Group Thursday, December 19, 2019**

**10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

Fraser Valley Regional Library  
Sardis Library  
5819 Tyson Road, Chilliwack, B.C.

Share ideas, learn new tips and tricks, solve research roadblocks, and learn the history of the area and era you are researching. The Genealogy Group welcomes new members.

This month's topic: Review of the year and setting the schedule going forward. Bring your suggestions and ideas. Coffee/tea social – bring a "sweet" contribution to share.

For more information call **(604) 858-5503**



## Programs Elsewhere in British Columbia

### Langley Heritage Society Speaker Series

Shea Henry

Tuesday, January 28, 2020

7:30 p.m.

Langley Heritage Society

Milner Church

6716 216<sup>th</sup> Street, Langley, B.C.

Haney House renovations (Maple Ridge historic home built in 1883). Shea will share lots of photos and some samples of 19<sup>th</sup> century wallpaper recovered during the renovation and other items from the Haney collection. Thomas Haney was a Maple Ridge area pioneer who built Port Haney Brick & Tile; the family home was at the commercial centre of Port Haney.

For more information visit the [Langley Heritage Society](#) website.



### Langley Heritage Society Speaker Series

Ian Brown

Tuesday, March 24, 2020

7:30 p.m.

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The author of *Hallowed Ground: Stories of the Yale Cemetery* highlights some of B.C.'s earliest pioneers as Yale was key to the Fraser River Gold Rush and railway construction.

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### Victoria Genealogical Society Workshops & Webinars

October 2019 – April 2020

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Victoria Genealogical Society

The Genealogy Learning & Research Centre

209 – 4475 Viewmont Avenue, Victoria, B.C.

Advanced registration is required.

Fees:

\$15 for members

\$25 for non-members

VGS's popular 2-hour genealogy workshops have informative speakers on a wide variety of genealogy-related topics.

Upcoming workshops include:

- 19 October 2019 – Genetic Genealogy Fundamentals: Cousin Matching
- 2 November 2019 – Identifying Military Uniforms in Old Photographs
- 16 November 2019 – Analyzing Historical Photographs
- 23 November 2019 – Beginning Scottish Research
- 30 November 2019 – Double Webinar: “Photo Editing & Retouching for Genealogists” and “Digitize Your Family History”
- 7 December 2019 – Navigating FindMyPast
- 14 December 2019 – Navigating Arkidigital: The Comprehensive Way to Discover Your Swedish Ancestors
- 11 January 2020 – Introduction to Quebec Research
- 18 January 2020 – TBD
- 25 January 2020 – Discovering the Stories that Bring Family History to Life
- 1 February 2020 – TBD
- 8 February 2020 – Beginning English Research
- 22 February 2020 – TBD

- 29 February 2020 – English Research Before 1850 – Parish Registers & Wills
- 7 March 2020 – Smash Your Irish Brick Walls
- 14 March 2020 – Genealogy in the Canadian Prairie Provinces
- 21 March 2020 – FamilySearch.Org Search Strategies
- 28 March 2020 – Making Your Own Family History Book
- 4 April 2020 – TBD
- 18 April 2020 – TBD
- 25 April 2020 – Deciphering Your Varied DNA Results

For more information visit the [Victoria Genealogical Society](#) website.

## Behind the Scenes at the Provincial Archives: The Women Who Did the Work

**Guest Speaker: Dr. Patricia Roy**  
**Sunday, October 20, 2019**  
**2:00 p.m.**

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

The names of the men who were provincial archivists and librarians – the roles were usually combined – are well known. Yet, even before the Archives were formally established, women such as Alma Russell, a professionally trained librarian, organized the books and documents that became the Provincial Archives. In time, she was joined by Madge Wolfenden, Marjorie Holmes and Muriel Cree. All had long careers in the institution. They also had interesting stories themselves. Wolfenden was the daughter of Royal Engineer; Holmes, like so many other British Columbians of her day came with her family from England. Wolfenden and Holmes were trained librarians; Mrs. Cree, who had a talent for getting publicity for herself, was not.

Through their stories, this illustrated talk will relate the history of the Archives from its conception in the 1890s through the era of the Second World War when Wolfenden served as acting provincial archivist.

Patricia Roy is the author of *The Collectors: A History of the Royal British Columbia Museum and Archives*. She is professor emeritus of History at the University of Victoria.

For more information visit the [Upcoming Events](#) page of the [Friends of the B.C. Archives](#).

## Also Noted...

### [RootsTech London 2019](#)

October 24 – 26, 2019  
 London, England

### [Virtual Genealogical Association 2019 Conference](#)

November 1 – 3, 2019

### [Scottish ViC](#) (virtual conference)

January 25, 2020

### [RootsTech](#)

February 26 – 29, 2020  
 Salt Lake City, Utah

### [Scottish Association of Family History Societies Conference](#)

April 18, 2020  
 Musselburgh, Scotland

### [Alberta Genealogical Society Wetaskiwin Branch](#)

[GenFair 2020](#)  
 April 25, 2020  
 Wetaskiwin, Alberta

### [National Genealogical Society Echoes of Our Ancestors](#)

May 20 – 23, 2020  
 Salt Lake City, Utah

**Ontario Ancestors Conference & Family History Show**

**Vision 2020: Finding the Past; Moving into the Future**

June 5 – 7, 2020  
Hamilton, Ontario

**Ulster Historical Foundation  
Tracing Your Irish Ancestors**

June 10 – 17, 2020  
Belfast, Northern Ireland

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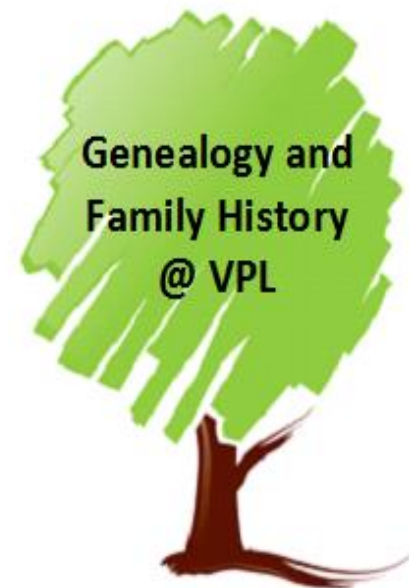
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