

Vancouver Public Library

# 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 online at **www.vpl.ca** 

Ref. items must be used in the library.





### General Interest

The Family Tree Guide Book: Everything You Need to Know to Trace Your Genealogy Across North America

by the editors of Family Tree Magazine, 2002 Ref. 929.1 F1982f

**The Genealogist's Internet**, 2<sup>nd</sup> expanded ed. by Peter Christian, 2003 929.10285 C55g1

**Genealogy Starter Kit**, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. by William Dollarhide, 1998 929.1 D66g

### **British Isles**

Irish Church Records: Their History, Availability and Use in Family and Local History Research, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. edited by James G. Ryan, 2001 Ref. 929.3415 I682r



#### Canada - General

French-Canadian Sources: A Guide for Genealogists

by Patricia Keeney Geyh, 2002 929.3714 G39f

Routes to Roots: A Collection of Tracing Your Roots Columns from the Kitchener-Waterloo Record, 1993-1997

by Ryan Taylor 929.371 T24ro

#### **British Columbia**

Early Catholic Parish Registers (Nanaimo, Ladysmith, Wellington), 1873-1925 Nanaimo Family History Society, 1997 Ref. 929.5 E12n

Naramata Cemetery, Naramata BC
British Columbia Genealogical Society, 2002
Ref. 929.5 N21s

### Ontario

Bruce County Marriages, 1873-1879: Index to Ontario Vital Statistics

by Ken Young, 1995 Ref. 929.3713 Y73bm



### Bruce County Marriages, Pre 1869-1874: Index to Ontario Vital Statistics

by Ken Young, 1997 Ref. 929.3713 Y73bb

### Directory of the County of Peel for 1873-4

by John Lynch, 1998 Ref. 929.3713 L98d

## Loyalist Military Settlers of Upper Canada: Registered Warrants and Fiats, vol.3

by Barbaranne Wright Ref. 929.3713 W94ua

### New Sarum Baptist Church Marriages, 4 vol.

by Max Doan, 1989 Ref. 929.3713 N53d

## Strays!: An Index to the British Strays in Canada Resulting from the OGS Strays

Project, 2 vol.

Ontario Genealogical Society, 1999

Ref. 929.3713 S91oa

### Tracing Your Family in Brant County

compiled by Angela Files, 1990 929.3713 T75f

### Wesleyan Methodist Baptismal Register: Grey County, 1846-1910: A Transcription

Ontario Genealogical Society. Bruce & Grey Branch, 2001

Ref. 929.3713 W51gr

### **United States**

### A Genealogist's Guide to Discovering Your African-American Ancestors: How to Find and Record Your Unique Heritage

by Franklin Carter Smith, 2003 929.1 C94ge

### How to Research American Indian Blood Lines: A Manual on Indian Genealogical Research

by Cecelia Svinth Carpenter, 2000 Ref. 929.1 C29h

## Locating Your Roots: Discover Your Ancestors Using Land Records

by Patricia Law Hatcher, 2003 929.1 H36L

### Using Records in the National Archives for Genealogical Research

United States. National Archives and Records Administration, 1990 929.1 U58u

### New Genealogy CD-ROMs at VPL

Two new CD-ROM products have been added to the genealogy CD-ROM station in the History and Government Division (Level 6, Central Branch).

**The Ships List, 1865-1899** features 6,900 ship arrival records for Canadian ports. Details include ship names, ports and dates of departure and arrival, shipping lines, and more.

Alberta Family Histories Society Digital Library: Volume I: A Collection of Cemetery Records from Southern Alberta contains 68,000 records from nearly 70 cemeteries in southern Alberta, 11,000 records from the Calgary Crematorium, and 2000 records from the Chevra Kadusha (Jewish) Society.

Both CD-ROMs are available for use in the History Division, whenever the Library is open.





# U.S. Census Microfilm Rentals - Now Available at VPL!

The Vancouver Public Library has set up an institutional account with the U.S. National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) that will enable library patrons to rent U.S. census microfilms covering the period 1790-1930. NARA will charge VPL a nominal rental fee, which will be passed on to patrons as follows:

1-4 rolls - \$3.45 U.S. each 5-9 rolls - \$2.95 U.S. each 10-25 rolls - \$2.45 U.S. each

For more information about NARA census microfilms, go to:

http://www.archives.gov/research\_room/gene alogy/census/using\_census\_microfilm\_catal ogs.html



# Free Genealogy Programs at the Vancouver Public Library

The History and Government Division offers free genealogy workshops, once or twice a month. All workshops take place at the Central Library, 350 West Georgia Street. Pre-registration is required. Please call 604-331-3603, or visit the History & Government Division on Level 6.

Spring 2004 dates and topics:

## Ontario Genealogical Research at the Vancouver Public Library

**Saturday, April 10 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.** Register now!

 The Vancouver Public Library has a wealth of print and microform resources for genealogists with a special interest in Ontario records. Find out about this collection and how to get the most out of it.

### Genealogy Express: Directories Tuesday, April 20 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Register now!

 Learn about old Canadian directories and how to use them in your genealogical research. Presented jointly by the History & Government Division and the Special Collections Department.

### Chinese-Canadian Genealogy Saturday, May 8

9:30- 11:30 a.m.

Registration begins Tuesday, April 13

 This workshop provides suggestions for those interested in tracing their Chinese-Canadian roots in B.C. It explores some of the many records available relating to Chinese-Canadian communities and families in the province, back to the 19<sup>th</sup> century.

## Genealogy Express: Obituaries Tuesday, May 18

2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Registration begins Tuesday, April 20

 Discover resources for locating obituaries in the Newspapers and Magazines Division and on the Internet. Presented jointly by the History & Government Division and the Newspapers & Magazines Division.

### Genealogy for Beginners Saturday, June 5

9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Registration begins Tuesday, May 11

This workshop provides an introduction to genealogy for those who are just starting to research their family history.



### Programs Elsewhere in the Lower Mainland

B.C. Genealogical Society Presents ... Hank Z. Jones Saturday, April 3 8:30 - 4:00 p.m. (doors open 8:00 a.m.) Allan Emmott Centre, 6650 Southoak Crescent

(Kingsway & Sperling), Burnaby Cost: \$20.00 (members), \$25.00 (non-members)

- Award-winning genealogical researcher, lecturer and author Hank Jones will speak on the following topics:
  - o Tracing the origins of early 18<sup>th</sup>century German Palatines
  - When the sources are wrong
  - o Family tradition: How to separate fact from fantasy in genealogical research
  - How psychic roots became an "unsolved mystery".
- Tickets available from B.C.G.S. at P.O. Box 88054, Lansdowne Mall, Richmond, B.C., V6X 3T6, or at B.C.G.S. meetings, or contact Susan Snalam at 604-273-8209. Cheques should be made payable to B.C.G.S. For more information, contact Eunice Robinson at Eunice@dccnet.com or see B.C.G.S. website: www.bcgs.ca.

### Miscellanea in the Cloverdale Library Collection

Saturday, April 17 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Instructor: Judith Argent

Cloverdale Library, 5642-176A Street, Surrey

Cost: \$10

Please pre-register by calling 604-576-1384

(local 303)

Find out about the little known research tools and records. The "hidden treasures" of the Cloverdale Collection may yield gems of information to the persistent researcher. Find out how to access and use these potentially invaluable resources.

### Canadian Wills & Probate Records Saturday, April 24

10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Instructor: Stephanie Kurmey

Cloverdale Library, 5642-176A Street, Surrey

Cost: \$10.00

Please pre-register by calling 604-576-1384

(local 303).

This course will focus on the will and probate records available in the Cloverdale genealogy collection. We will cover how to access these records as well as what kind of genealogical information you will find in them. This course will also show where to search for other Canadian wills and probate records that are not readily available in our collection.



### Also Noted...

# **Building Bridges: Utah Genealogical Association Family History Conference 2004**

Salt Lake City, Utah April 8 -10 More information:

http://www.infouga.org/conference.html

### 3ième congrès 2004: fédération québecoise des sociétés de généalogie du Québec

Rimouski, Quebec May 21 - 23 More information:

http://www.genealogie.org/club/sgar/congres 2004.htm

## 3 RRRs of Family History: Ontario Genealogical Society

Toronto, Ontario May 27 -3 0

More information: http://www.ogsseminar.org/

### Congrès mondial acadien

Nova Scotia July 31 – August 15

More information: http://www.cma2004.com



### Give Me Fivel

The Canadian Genealogy Centre has produced a FREE new large-format, high-quality genealogy chart, aimed at children. "Give Me Five Generations!" helps budding genealogists chart their ancestry, starting with themselves, back to their great-great-grandparents. On the

reverse side, kids can tackle a series of criss-cross puzzles with a family history theme. Copies are available in the History & Government Division at the Central Branch of the Vancouver Public Library (while supplies last). Or, request one or more copies by calling the Centre toll-free at 1-866-578-7777 or sending an e-mail to: cgc-ccg@archives.ca

### New Aboriginal Research Guide

The Canadian Genealogy Centre has produced a new online guide for those who wish to undertake genealogical research on their Aboriginal ancestors at the Library and Archives of Canada (LAC). The Centre also plans to work with Aboriginal communities and other partners on a second part of the guide which will provide information on sources available throughout Canada. Written by Richard Collins, an Aboriginal genealogy specialist at the LAC, the guide is available online at:

http://www.genealogy.gc.ca/02/020501a\_e.html



### Cemetery Transcriptions Online

Interment.net comprises a growing collection of transcriptions from around the world. To date, the site includes 15 B.C. cemeteries, the most recent addition being 802 records from the Old Trail Cemetery in Kootenay Boundary, added March 2004. Note that B.C. transcriptions at Interment.net do not duplicate information already available via the B.C. Cemetery Finding Aid or in the published series of B.C. cemetery transcriptions owned by VPL. View the B.C. listings at: http://www.interment.net/can/bc/



### Find It Now @ VPL

Can't remember if VPL has Ontario birth records or not? Scratching your head to recall the date of the last unsealed Canadian census? Need a good book on British genealogy? For these and other questions, VPL's Find It Now chat reference service is ready to help you, Monday-Friday from 4-10 p.m. Simply log on to <a href="http://www.vpl.ca/finditnow/">http://www.vpl.ca/finditnow/</a> and click on the magnifying glass to connect with library information staff in real-time. If your question can't be answered immediately, it will be forwarded to the History & Government Division for a prompt reply.



## Support the Genealogy Collection

The History & Government Division welcomes financial donations in support of the genealogical collection. Donations can be made by cash, money order, cheque (payable to the Vancouver Public Library Foundation) or credit card (MasterCard, VISA, American Express).

You can make your donation at your local branch, by telephone, or by mail. Please note that credit card donations can only be made by telephone or at the Central Branch. Be sure to specify that you would like your donation to be used to purchase genealogical materials.

For more information, please contact:

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