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

Common People: In Pursuit of My Ancestors
by Alison Light, 2015
929.1 L72c

First Peoples
PBS Distribution, 2015
DVD 930.1 F52p

Guide to Reference in Genealogy and Biography
edited by Mary K. Mannix, Fred Burchsted, and Jo Bell Whitlatch, 2015
Ref 929.1X G94m

How to Use Evernote for Genealogy: A Step-by-Step Guide to Organize Your Research and Boost Your Genealogy Productivity
by Kerry Scott, 2015
929.10285 E93s

Mastering Genealogical Proof
by Thomas W. Jones, 2013
929.1 J79m

The Social Life of DNA: Race, Reparations, and Reconciliation After the Genome
by Alondra Nelson, 2016
305.896 N42s

by Dana McCullough, 2015
929.10285 F19m

by Emily Anne Croom, 2010
929.1 C94u3

Canada

British Columbia and Yukon Gold Hunters: A History in Photographs
by Donald E. Waite, 2015
971.102 W14b
Canada Under Attack: Irish-American Veterans of the Civil War and Their Fenian Campaign to Conquer Canada
by Cheryl MacDonald, 2015
971.048 M135c

Canadian Expeditionary Force, 1914-1919: Official History of the Canadian Army in the First World War
by Gerald W.L. Nicholson, 2015
940.371 N62c1

The Canadian Honours System: Desiderantes Meliorem Patriam, 2nd ed.
by Christopher McCreery, 2015
929.8 M13c1

Canadian Pacific: The Golden Age of Travel
by Barry Lane, 2015
385.0971 C21L

Celtic Lightning: How the Scots and the Irish Created a Canadian Nation
by Kenneth McGoogan, 2015
971.004 M146c

Fight to the Finish: Canadians in the Second World War, 1944-1945
by Tim Cook, 2015
940.5371 C77n v.2

For Valour: Canadians and the Victoria Cross in the Great War
series edited by Gerald Gliddon, 2015
355.134 F69g

From the Barren Lands: Fur Trade, First Nations, and a Life in Northern Canada
by Leonard G. Flett, 2015
971.9 F61f

From Torture to Triumph: The Lost Legend of a Man Who Opened America, Guillaume Couture
by Michael Fenn, 2015
971.016 C87f

by Adara Goldberg, 2015
971.004 G61h

by Robert D. Turner, 2015
386.3 T95k

Through Blood and Sweat: A Remembrance Trek Across Sicily’s World War II Battlegrounds
by Mark Zuehlke, 2015
940.5421 Z94th

Whistle Posts West: Railway Tales From British Columbia, Alberta, and Yukon
by Mary Trainer, Brian Antonson and Rick Antonson, 2015
385.0971 T76w

British Columbia

Ferries & Fjord: The History of Indian Arm, its Ferries & Docks, Travelling Post Offices & Floating Grocery Stores
by Ralph Drew, 2015
971.133 D776fe

Soviet Princeton: Slim Evans and the 1932-33 Miners’ Strike
by Jon Bartlett and Rika Ruebsaat, 2015
331.89282233 B28s

Prairie Provinces

by Dale Gibson, 2015
340.0971274 G44L
New Brunswick

American Loyalists to New Brunswick: The Ship Passenger Lists
by David Graham Bell, 2015
929.37151 B43a

Nova Scotia

Nova Scotia Place Names: Place Name Origins, Attractions, Legends, Characters, History, and Firsts
by David Scott, 2015
910.3 N93s

United States

The Life and the Adventures of a Haunted Convict
by Austin Reed, 2016
365.6 R323L

The Making of Asian America: A History
by Erika Lee, 2015
973.04 L47m

British Isles

The Gurkhas: 200 Years of Service to the Crown
by J.C. Lawrence, 2015
355.00941 L42g

Kelly’s War: Olympic Rower, Composer, Leader of Men: The Great War Diary of Frederick Kelly, 1914-1916
by F.S. Kelly, 2015
940.48 K29c

The Real Lives of Roman Britain: A History of Roman Britain Through the Lives of Those Who Were There
by Guy de la Bedoyere, 2015
941.01 D33re

The Seymours of Wolf Hall: A Tudor Family Story
by David Loades, 2015
942.052 S52L

Tracing Your Second World War Ancestors: A Guide for Family Historians
by Phil Tomaselli, 2011
929.341 T65ts

Who Do You Think You Are?: The Genealogy Handbook: The Essential Pocket Guide to Tracing Your Family History
by Dan Waddell, 2014
929.341 W11w

Genealogy Programs at the Vancouver Public Library

To see a complete list of upcoming programs and events at the Vancouver Public Library visit
www.vpl.bibliocommons.com/events/search/index
Be sure to check back as new entries are added all the time!

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
Wednesday, May 4, 2016
2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Computer Training Lab
Level 7, Central Branch
350 West Georgia Street

Learn about Ancestry Library Edition, an exciting resource for family research, at this hands-on genealogy workshop.

Eager to start exploring? See our Genealogy subject guide online. www.guides.vpl.ca/genealogy

Registration required.

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

Genealogy: Trace Your Ancestors with FamilySearch and Library and Archives Canada
Wednesday, May 11, 2016
2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Computer Training Lab
Level 7, Central Branch
350 West Georgia Street

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

Eager to start exploring? See our Genealogy subject guide online. www.guides.vpl.ca/genealogy

Registration required.

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

Introduction to Genealogy Research
Thursday, June 23, 2016
7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Champlain Heights Branch
7110 Kerr Street

Are you interested in tracing your family roots? Don’t know where to start?

Learn the basics of family history research and the resources available at the library in this free genealogy workshop.

Registration recommended, but not required. Drop-ins are welcome.

For more information contact: Champlain Heights Branch at 604 665-3955

Genealogy Roadshow
Date: Fall 2016
Time TBD
Location TBD
Central Branch
350 West Georgia Street

Members of the British Columbia Genealogical Society offer advice to individuals and family members researching their family history. Participants are encouraged to bring details on their research to date. Beginners receive advice on where to begin their research, based on their knowledge and family documents.

Registration is recommended.

In partnership with the B.C. Genealogical Society.

For more details and up to date information on this workshop, please check our Events Calendar on the Vancouver Public Library website as the date for the workshop approaches or contact the British Columbia Genealogical Society at 604 502-9119 or bcgs@bcgs.ca.
Photoshop Basics: Composition
Tuesday, April 5, 2016
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Inspiration Lab
Level 3, Central Branch
350 West Georgia Street

Always wanted to try photo editing with Adobe Photoshop but didn’t know where to begin? In this 90 minute, hands-on workshop you’ll explore the basics of composition, cropping and more. These tips will take your photos from mundane to magnificent!

First session in a four-part series.

Registration required.

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

Self Publishing 100: Introduction to Ebooks
Wednesday, April 6, 2016
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Saturday, May 7, 2016
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Monday, June 13, 2016
6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Inspiration Lab
Level 3, Central Branch
350 West Georgia Street

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

What’s a Podcast?
Wednesday, April 6, 2016
6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Inspiration Lab
Level 3, Central Branch
350 West Georgia Street

What is a podcast? Who creates podcasts? What are the best ways to find and listen to podcasts? Learn about the history and technology of this growing medium, and hear samples of some popular podcasts. Learn about how to find interesting podcasts to listen to on your computer or mobile device.

Registration required.

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

Chinatown Stories: Making Local History
Thursday, April 7, 2016
7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Alice MacKay Room
Lower Level, Central Branch
350 West Georgia Street

If you are interested in Chinatown, or in how to start and run an oral history project, you will be interested in this release of VPL’s Chinatown Stories.
The Chinatown Stories project is a collection of narrated slideshows assembled from interviews with a group of long time Chinatown residents. The audience will get a first look at the online collection, with a follow-up presentation by members for the oral history team and some of our orators.

Note: The program will be held in English, but Cantonese speakers will be represented on the panel and can answer questions.

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

Photoshop Basics: Colour
Tuesday, April 12, 2016
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Inpiration Lab
Level 3, Central Branch
350 West Georgia Street

Always wanted to try photo editing with Adobe Photoshop but didn’t know where to begin? In this 90-minute, hands-on workshop you’ll explore the basics of colour, contrast, and more. These tips will take your photos from mundane to magnificent!

Second session in a four-part series.

Registration required.

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

New Voices: Share Your Writing At The Library
Monday, April 11, 2016
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Alma VanDusen and Peter Kaye Rooms
Lower Level, Central Branch
350 West Georgia Street

Are you an emerging local author?

Looking for a place to share your recently published pieces or works in progress?

Come and share your work, published or unpublished!

If you are interested in participating, please email programs@vpl.ca

All genres welcome.

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

Vancouver Home History Workshop
Tuesday, April 12, 2016
7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Kitsilano Branch
2425 MacDonald Street

In this workshop, get tips on how to begin researching the history of your Vancouver house. You’ll learn about VPL Special Collections resources such as Vancouver City Directories, historical photos, maps and more.

Registration required.

For more information contact: Kitsilano Branch at 604 665-3976
Vancouver Vanishes: Demolition and Revival
Thursday, April 14, 2016
7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Alice MacKay Room
Lower Level, Central Branch
350 West Georgia Street

Contributors from Vancouver Vanishes: Narratives of Demolition and Revival discuss Vancouver’s changing urban environment in an engaging multimedia talk.

Novelist and short story writer Caroline Adderson reflects on houses and apartments as ‘repositories of narrative’. Artist and writer Michael Kluckner talks about the aesthetic values that created Vancouver’s historic neighbourhoods. Writer and blogger Eve Lazarus gives an illustrated presentation about the changing West End.

In partnership with Anvil Press.

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

Photoshop Basics: Repair
Tuesday, April 19, 2016
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Inspiration Lab
Level 3, Central Branch
350 West Georgia Street

Always wanted to try photo editing with Adobe Photoshop but didn’t know where to begin? In this 90-minute, hands-on workshop you’ll explore the basics of removing and repairing imperfections. These tips will take your photos from mundane to magnificent!

Third session in a four-part series.

Registration required.

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

Self Publishing 101: Create Your First Ebook
Wednesday April 20 & 27, 2016
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Saturday, May 21, 2016
2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Monday, June 20, 2016
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Thursday, June 23, 2016
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Inspiration Lab
Level 3, Central Branch
350 West Georgia Street

Pre-requisite: “Self Publishing 100: Introduction to Ebooks” or equivalent knowledge.

Want to share your story with the world? Learn how to create your own ebook in VPL’s Inspiration Lab. This demonstration with hands-on practice time will explore how to format text, add images and turn a digital manuscript into a digital masterpiece.

Eager to get started? Check out our Self Publishing in Ebook Format Subject Guide. www.guides.vpl.ca/selfpublishing

Registration required.

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

Planning, Sharing and Promoting Your Podcast
Wednesday, April 20, 2016
6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Inspiration Lab
Level 3, Central Branch
350 West Georgia Street

Do you want to start a podcast? This workshop will take you through the process of planning, starting, and sustaining your podcast. Learn about web hosting, RSS feeds, and descriptive metadata. Learn how to submit your podcast to iTunes and other popular podcatchers. Gain an
understanding of how to protect and share your work with copyright and licensing permissions. Learn about promoting your podcast through social media.

Registration required.

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

Photoshop Basics: Fun Effects
Tuesday, April 26, 2016
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Inspiration Lab
Level 3, Central Branch
350 West Georgia Street

Always wanted to try photo editing with Adobe Photoshop but didn’t know where to begin? In this 90-minute, hands-on workshop you’ll explore how to apply several popular visual effects. These tips will take your photos from mundane to magnificent!

Fourth session in a four-part series.

Registration required.

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

Asian Heritage Month – Michael Kluckner Presents Toshiko
Tuesday, May 17, 2016
7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Alice MacKay Room
Lower Level, Central Branch
350 West Georgia Street

Michael Kluckner presents an illustrated talk on his new graphic novel Toshiko, and discusses the challenges and opportunities of the graphic-novel format. Toshiko follows the story of a young Japanese-Canadian woman in B.C. during the Second World War, exploring wartime issues of race, duty, and romance in historic B.C. settings.

Michael Kluckner is an artist and writer best-known for his book Vanishing Vancouver, and years of heritage activism. Toshiko reflects his interest in BC history and earlier career as a cartoonist and illustrator for daily newspapers. He is the president of the Vancouver Historical Society.

For more information please contact: Programming and Learning Services at info@vpl.ca at 604 331-3603
Resources for Writers
Wednesday, May 25, 2016
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Computer Training Lab
Level 7, Central Branch
350 West Georgia Street

Thinking about writing and publishing? Considering traditional publishing or self-publishing?

Learn about resources for writers, in print and online.

Drop in, seating is limited.

Eager to start exploring? See our Writer's Resources subject guide online.
www.guides.vpl.ca/writers

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

Collection Orientations
Saturdays, April 2, May 7, September 10, October 1, 2016
10:00 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.
Surrey Public Library
Cloverdale Library
5642 – 176A Street, Surrey, B.C.
No charge. Pre-registration recommended

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.

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

Navigating Ancestry and HeritageQuest
Saturday, April 16, 2016
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Surrey Public Library
Cloverdale Library
5642 – 176A Street, Surrey, B.C.
No charge

Learn how Ancestry and HeritageQuest can help your research.

Ancestry Library Edition and HeritageQuest are free to use at the Cloverdale Library. Together these two resources nearly duplicate what you will find in the full personal subscription version of Ancestry. Come and find out how they work! All levels of experience welcome, but the workshop is geared toward the novice researcher.

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

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.
Problem Solving: It’s Not Always the Records
Instructor: Gayel Knott
Wednesday, April 20, 2016
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Surrey Family History Centre
Surrey Stake Centre, Relief Society Room
6270 126th Street, Surrey, B.C.

Sometimes we create the problems we have in genealogy. How do we get past these blocks? We’ll look at assumptions, organization, analysis, and research focus, time lines, the FAN club, and record keeping among other techniques used for problem solving.

Drop-Ins welcome

Sign up: Email: surreyfhc@gmail.com

Digging Deeper in Ireland and Scotland
Presenter: Chris Paton
Saturday, April 30, 2016
10:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
British Columbia Genealogical Society
South Arm United Church
11051 No. 3 Road, Richmond, B.C.
Fees:
$40.00 for BCGS & Affiliate members
$50.00 for non-members

Topics:
- Discover Irish Land Records & Discover Scottish Land Records – a combination of two talks
- The Godly Commonwealth: Discover Scottish Church Records
- Are you the rightful heir? Understanding Scottish Inheritance
- Genealogy Without Borders

For more information:
www.bcgs.ca/?page_id=2511#.VvcWD4XzI8E

Abbotsford Family History Day
Saturday, May 14, 2016
8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Abbotsford Family History Centre
30635 Blueridge Drive, Abbotsford, B.C.

Join us at our family history day, and strengthen your family ties, past, present and future!

Abbotsford Family History Day is designed to help you fortify and preserve your family history across several generations. Through seasoned speakers and stories, to helpful organization and technology-based talks, you’ll walk away with a better understanding of how to build your family tree and seek out your ancestors.

Registration is free and will start April 1st 2016

For more information:
www.abbotsfordfamilyhistory.com

Sensational Vancouver: A Romp Through the City’s Dark Side
Speaker: Eve Lazarus
Thursday, May 26, 2016
7:30 p.m.
Vancouver Historical Society
Location: Museum of Vancouver
1100 Chestnut Street, Vancouver, B.C.

History books typically show Vancouver as a pioneer city built on forestry, fisheries and tourism but, behind the snow-capped mountains and rain forests, the Vancouver of the first half of the 20th century was a seething mass of corruption. The top job at the Vancouver Police Department was a revolving door, and in those early years Detective Joe
Ricci’s beat was the opium dens and gambling joints of Chinatown, while Lurancy Harris patrolled the high-end brothels of Alexander Street. Later, proceeds from rum-running produced some of the city’s most iconic buildings, cops became robbers, and the city reeled from a series of unsolved murders. Speaker Eve Lazarus will illustrate this talk with photos from cases from her books Sensational Vancouver and Cold Case Vancouver: the city’s most baffling murders.

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

Upcoming workshops include:
- 2 April 2016 – Getting Started Creating Your Own Blog or Website
- 9 April 2016 – University of Victoria McPherson Library: On Site Tour and Presentation on Available Genealogy Resources
- 16 April 2016 – England by Internet
- 23 April 2016 – FamilySearch.Org Strategies
- 30 April 2016 – Breaking Brick Walls
- 7 May 2016 – English Research Before 1850 – Parish Registers & Wills
- 14 May 2016 – Photography & Photo Identification
- 28 May 2016 – Beginning Scottish Research

For more information: www.victoriags.org/

Programs Elsewhere in British Columbia

Victoria Genealogical Society
Genealogical Events
April - May, 2016
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Victoria Genealogical Society
VGS Resource Centre
947 Alston Street, Victoria, B.C.
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.

Grab Your Kilt and Discover Your Scottish Family History
Presenter: Christine Woodcock
Sunday, April 10, 2016
8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Kelowna & District Genealogical Society
University of British Columbia Okanagan
Room EME 1101 (Engineering Building)
1137 Alumni Avenue, Kelowna, B.C.
Fees:
$45 for KDGS members
$55 for non-members

Topics:
- In Search of Your Scottish Ancestors
- Navigating the ScotlandsPeople Website
- Lesser Known Databases for Scottish Research
- Preparing for a Genealogy Research Trip to Scotland
- Researching Scottish Death, Burial and Lair Records

For more information: www.kdgs.ca
Returning French Canadians to Victoria’s and BC’s History  
**Speaker: Jean Barman**  
**Sunday, April 17, 2016**  
*2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.*  
Friends of the B.C. Archives  
Newcombe Hall  
675 Belleville Street, Victoria, B.C.

Drawing from her prize-winning book *French Canadians, Furs, and Indigenous Women in the Making of the Pacific Northwest*, historian Jean Barman will highlight in this illustrated talk French Canadians’ contributions to Fort Victoria, explain their relationships with indigenous women, and argue for their critical role in the establishment of British Columbia.

Jean Barman has written extensively on British Columbia history. Her most recent book, *French Canadians, Furs, and Indigenous Women*, has won the Governor General’s Award for Scholarly Research, Canadian Historical Association’s Sir John A. Macdonald Prize for best book on Canadian history, Basil Stuart-Stubbs Prize for Outstanding Scholarly Book on British Columbia, and K.D. Svvistava Prize for best UBC Press book. She is an Emeritus Member of the University of Victoria Faculty of Graduate Studies, Professor Emeritus at UBC, and a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada.

This will be a special meeting offered jointly by the Friends of the BC Archives and The Association Historique francophone de Victoria.

For more information see: [www.royalbcmuseum.bc.ca/events/friends-of-the-bc-archives-returning-french-canadians-to-victorias-and-bcs-history](http://www.royalbcmuseum.bc.ca/events/friends-of-the-bc-archives-returning-french-canadians-to-victorias-and-bcs-history)

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QBFHS Presents Researching in Scotland and Ireland  
**Speaker: Chris Paton**  
**Friday, April 22, 2016**  
Qualicum Beach Family History Society  
Quality Inn Resort Bayside  
240 Dogwood Street, Parksville, B.C.

Fees:  
Scotland and Ireland Seminars $50.00  
Scotland Seminar $25.00  
Ireland Seminar $25.00  

**Researching in Scotland**  
- The Godly Commonwealth: Discover Scottish Church Records  
- Down and Out in Scotland: Researching Ancestral Crisis

**Researching in Ireland**  
- Using the Internet and PRONI for Northern Irish Records  
- Discover Irish Land Records (to fill in the census gap)

For more information see: [www.qbfhs.ca/workshops/2016-seminar](http://www.qbfhs.ca/workshops/2016-seminar)

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International Genealogy Conference  
**Unlocking the Past 2016**  
**Speakers: Colleen Fitzpatrick and Chris Paton**  
**Saturday, April 23, 2016**  
Qualicum Beach Family History Society  
The Beach Club Resort  
181 Beachside Drive, Parksville, B.C.

Fees:  
QBFHS members $90.00  
Non members registration $95.00  

**Topics:**  

**Forensic Genealogy: CSI Meets Roots** – Colleen Fitzpatrick  
Who? What? When? Where? You will arrive at this talk a genealogist, you will leave a forensic genealogist.
Civil Registration in the British Isles – Chris Paton
An overview of the history of the registration of births, marriages and deaths, the difference between the records across the British Isles, and how to locate those records.

How DNA Can Help You With Your Family History – Colleen Fitzpatrick
This talk will give you valuable insight into how to get the most of your DNA results.

Genealogy Without Borders – Chris Paton
This talk examines how a person’s family history may not be confined to the country within which they are raised, and why the consideration of the extended family around the world can be particularly fruitful for your family history research and help reshape your understanding of the family back in the home parish.

The Dead Horse Investigation – Colleen Fitzpatrick
A photograph is used to test photo-sleuthing skills. Learn how to look at a photograph to find the clues.

Registration ends Apr 15, 2016

For more information see: www.qbfhs.ca/conference_2016

An Artist of Rare Ability: The Life and Photographs of C.S. Bailey
Speaker: David Mattison
Sunday, May 15, 2016
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Friends of the B.C. Archives
Newcombe Hall
675 Belleville Street, Victoria, B.C.

C.S. Bailey (1869-1896) was the first Vancouver photographer to specialize exclusively in landscape and marine photography. Every year between 1888 and 1892 he documented the city’s growth from different vantage points, making him the eyes of the city. He photographed most major commercial enterprise both inside and outside. Along with his competitors, Bailey also created iconic images along the Canadian Pacific Railway.

David Mattison worked for the BC Archives (Royal BC Museum) between 1981 and 2009 as both an archivist and librarian. Beginning in the late 1970s he published many groundbreaking studies of 19th century British Columbia photographers and continues to maintain his online biographical encyclopedia of British Columbia photographers called Camera Workers.

For more information see: www.royalbcmuseum.bc.ca/events/friends-of-the-bc-archives-an-artist-of-rare-ability-the-life-and-photographs-of-c-s-bailey
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

Also Noted...

Guild of One-Name Studies Conference
April 1 – 3, 2016
Birmingham, England

For more information:
www.one-name.org/the-37th-guild-conference-agm-2016

Who Do You Think You Are?
April 7 – 9, 2016
Birmingham, England

For more information:
www.whodoyouthinkyouarelive.com

Digital Public Library of America
DPLAfest 2016
April 14 – 15, 2016
Washington, D.C.

For more information:
www.dp.la/info/get-involved/dplafest/april-2016

Saskatchewan Genealogical Society Conference
April 15 – 17, 2016
Regina, Saskatchewan

For more information:

NGS 2016 Family History Conference
Exploring the Centuries: Footprints in Time
May 4 – 7, 2016
Fort Lauderdale, Florida

For more information:
www.conference.ngsgenealogy.org
News from
Library and Archives Canada

Recent and Updated Additions to the LAC Website

Blog and news postings of recent additions and updated information on the Library and Archives Canada website include:

- Finding Patents of Invention Held at Library and Archives Canada

- Home Children: Guide to Sending Organizations and Receiving Homes

- Launch of “Carleton Papers – Book of Negroes, 1783” Database

- Launch of “Carleton Papers – Loyalists and British Soldiers, 1772-1784” Database

- Launch of “Immigrants to Canada, Porters and Domestics, 1899-1949” Database
• Launch of “Ukrainian Immigrants, 1891-1930” Database

• Launch of “War of 1812” Database

• Naturalization Records, 1915-1951 database – 2015 Update

• New Books in the Genealogy Services Collection at 395 Wellington Street – March 2016

• New Version of the “Home Children Records” Database

• Newly Digitized Microfilms on the Heritage Portal

• 100 Stories: Canadians who served in the First World War

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News from

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

Updated and New Canadian Databases

• Alberta, Canada, Homestead Records, 1870-1930
• Canada, Obituary Collection, 1898-2015
• North America, Family Histories, 1500-2000
• U.S., Dutch Christian Reformed Church Membership Records, 1856-1970
• Web: Global, Gravestone Photograph Index, 1265-2014

Updated and New United Kingdom Databases

• Bristol, England, Select Church of England Parish Registers, 1720-1933
• Derbyshire, England, Select Church of England Parish Registers, 1538-1910
• England, Suffragettes Arrested, 1906-1914
• England, United Grand Lodge of England Freemason Membership Registers, 1751-1921
• Essex, England, Select Church of England Parish Registers, 1518-1960
• Ireland, Civil Registration Births Index, 1864-1958
• Ireland, Courts Martial Files, 1916-1922
• Ireland, Intelligence Profiles, 1914-1922
• Isle of Man, Select Parish Registers, 1598-1936
• Norfolk, England, Bishop’s Transcripts, 1685-1941
• Northamptonshire, England, Church of England Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, 1532-1812
• Northamptonshire, England, Church of England Marriages, 1754-1912
• Perth and Kinross, Scotland, Electoral Registers, 1832-1961
• Scotland, National Probate Index (Calendar of Confirmations and Inventories), 1876-1936
• Surrey, England, Regimental Rolls, 1914-1947
• UK, Incoming Passenger Lists, 1878-1960
• UK, Police Gazettes, 1812-1902, 1921-1927
• UK, Royal Navy Registers of Seamen’s Services, 1853-1928
• UK, Shipping and Seamen WWI and WWII Rolls of Honour, 1914-1945
• UK, WWII Civil Defence Gallantry Awards, 1940-1949
• Web: England, London Lives Index, 1690-1832
• Web: Global, Gravestone Photograph Index, 1265-2014
• Web: Gloucestershire, England, Non-Conformist Baptisms Index, 1739-1987
• Web: Isle of Man, Baptism Index, 1600-1981
• Web: Isle of Man, Burial Index, 1598-2003
• Web: Isle of Man, Marriage Index, 1606-1984
• West Yorkshire, Roman Catholic Oath Records, 1714-1787, 1829
• Yorkshire, England, Probate Records, 1521-1858
• Yorkshire, England, Quarter Session Records, 1637-1914

News from FamilySearch

Updated and New Canadian Collections

• British Columbia Marriage Registrations, 1859-1932; 1937-1938
• Manitoba Probate Records, 1871-1930
• Nova Scotia Delayed Births, 1837-1904
• Ontario Births, 1869-1911

United Kingdom and Ireland Collections Recently Added or Updated

• England and Wales Census, 1851
• England and Wales Census, 1861
• England and Wales Census, 1881
• England and Wales Census, 1891
• England, Cornwall and Devon Parish Registers, 1538-2010
• England, Devon Bishop’s Transcripts, 1558-1887
• England, Dorset, Parish Registers, 1538-1936
• England, Durham Diocese, Marriage Bonds & Allegations, 1692-1900
• England, Kent, Parish Registers, 1538-1911
• England, Kent, Register of Electors, 1570-1907
• England, Lancashire, Cheshire, Yorkshire, Parish Registers, 1603-1910
• England, Lancashire, Oldham Cemetery Registers, 1797-2004
• England, Lancashire, Parish Registers 1538-1910
• Ireland Census, 1821
• Ireland Census, 1831
• Ireland Census, 1841
• Ireland Census, 1851
FamilySearch has added millions of records online from around the world. Check out the new and updated collections that have been added to Continental Europe, Mexico, South America, and the United States. Click on Last Updated to get the latest additions to the collections.

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

Mexico
www.familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&region=MEXICO

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

Family History Research Wiki

The FamilySearch Wiki has been upgraded. Check it out at:
www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Main_Page

Genealogical and Historical Societies

Genealogical and historical societies are great avenues for help with your family history research, providing not only the expertise from their members, but some also have their own research collection or libraries; they publish journals and newsletters; and they foster education with programs and workshops. Societies may focus or specialize in a particular geographical area, religion, nationality or ethnicity.

Here is a small sampling of what’s new at various genealogical and historical societies.

Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society

Freedmen’s Bureau Project
In collaboration with various partnerships, the Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society is working to bring the Freedmen’s Bureau Records online, reconnecting African Americans with their Civil War era ancestors.
www.discoverfreedmen.org

Alberta Genealogical Society

Alberta Homestead Indexes
This homestead database continues to grow containing over 500,000 entries now.
www.abgenealogy.ca/alberta-homestead-indexes

British Columbia Genealogical Society

Vancouver Province Roll of Honour, 1929
Vancouver Province – 20 Year Subscriber Index, as of 1929
Check out this new index on the British Columbia Genealogical Society’s website of Vancouver Province early subscribers from around British Columbia.
www.bcgs.ca/?p=6084#.VI-96lXzI8E
Family History Society of Newfoundland and Labrador

1836 Census
Passports Issued Between 1902 and 1915
Signal Hill Visitors Books 1913 to 1929
Signal Hill Visitors Books 1929 to 1939
The above records from the Provincial Archives Division of The Rooms are now available on the FHSNL website for members only.
www.fhsnl.ca/?page_id=3862

Vital Stats Pre-1892 Births Database
A searchable database with over 57,000 records is also available for members only.
www.fhsnl.ca/?page_id=2185

Mennonite Historical Society of Canada

Mennonite Archival Image Database
Discover photographs of Mennonite life in Canada and around the world where over 80,000 historic photos are now available.
www.archives.mhsc.ca

New England Historic Genealogical Society

New England’s Hidden Histories: Colonial-Era Church Records
NEHGS has announced its participation in the New England’s Hidden Histories project, making available to a wide audience their holdings of early American church records, diaries, and family papers. To learn about the project and more see:
www.congregationallibrary.org/nehh/main

View the New England Historic Genealogical Society website American Ancestors at:
www.americanancestors.org/index.aspx

Saskatchewan History and Folklore Society

Oral Histories
Listen to some oral history recordings documenting ethnic and multicultural diversity in Saskatchewan.
www.shfs.ca/audio

Photograph & Audio-Visual Collections

Photographs and moving images (film and video) are of value to genealogists providing not only a visual connection to their ancestors but a historical and social context and perspective to their lives. With the advent of digital technology and tools such as Pinterest, Flickr, YouTube, podcasts, and video streaming, photographs and films can now be shared by a much wider audience.

Here are a few online collections to check out.

Australia

National Archives of Australia
Destination: Australia
www.destinationaustralia.gov.au/site

NFSA Films YouTube
www.youtube.com/user/FILMAUSTRALIA

Canada

Library and Archives Canada
Podcasts
www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/news/podcasts/Pages/podcasts.aspx
Historical newspapers are an important tool for genealogists due to the wealth of information available about individuals and families. Information gleaned from newspapers include articles about births, marriages, death notices, occupations, legal notices, court cases, military service, land sales, church activities and social events.

Here are some links to historical newspaper websites where new additions are being continuously added, so check back regularly.

Australia
National Library of Australia
Trove Digitised Newspapers
trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper?q=

Belgium
Royal Library of Belgium
www.opac.kbr.be/belgicapress.php?
lang=EN
Europe
Europeana Newspapers
www.europeana.eu/portal/search.html?query=europeana_collectionName%3A92*ewspapers*&rows=24&qt=false

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

France
Gallica
www.gallica.bnf.fr/html/presse-et-revues/les-principaux-quotidiens

Ireland
Irish Newspaper Archives *
www.irishnewsarchive.com

Mexico
Hemeroteca Nacional Digital de Mexico
www.hndm.unam.mx/index.php/es

New Zealand
Papers Past
www.paperspast.natlib.govt.nz/cgi-bin/paperspast

Switzerland
Swiss Press Online
www.newspaper.archives.rero.ch/olive/ODE/index_en.html

United Kingdom
The British Newspaper Archive *
www.britishnewspaperarchive.co.uk
and
The Gazette
www.thegazette.co.uk

United States
Chronicling America
www.chroniclingamerica.loc.gov

Also, keep in mind the historical newspaper resources from the Vancouver Public Library
- British Columbia Historical Newspapers
- British Columbia Index
- Gale NewsVault
- Globe and Mail Historical Newspapers
- Points to the Past

www.vpl.ca/electronic_databases/cat/C92

* NOTE: Access by subscription

FindMyPast *

British in India
Drawn from the Society of Genealogists’ Women in India index cards, FindMyPast has published this collection where researchers can search for the names of British people who either lived, worked or travelled in India from as early as 1664.
www.search.findmypast.com/search-world-Records/british-in-india

England and Wales, Electoral Registers 1832-1932
In partnership with FindMyPast, the British Library has made available online an estimated 220 million records of English and Welsh voters covering the period from 1832 to 1932.
England, Pollbook & Directories, 1830-1837
FindMyPast has now published this collection which was drawn from the Society of Genealogists digitized pollbooks which published the names of the electorate and how they voted.

Irish Catholic Parish Records
Both FindMyPast and Ancestry * (available for free in Ancestry Library Edition) have transcribed and released the collection of Catholic parish records covering over 1,000 parishes throughout Ireland held by the National Library of Ireland.
www.findmypast.com/irish-parish-records

Catholic Parish Registers at the NLI
Free access to the images from the Catholic parish register microfilms is available here. However, there is no nominal index.
www.registers.nli.ie

1939 Register
In association with the National Archives, FindMyPast has launched the 1939 Register online. This register provides a comprehensive look at the population of England and Wales at the start of the Second World War.
www.findmypast.co.uk/1939register

Here is the research guide for the 1939 Register from the National Archives:
www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/help-with-your-research/research-guides/1939-register

* NOTE: Access by subscription

New from 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 and valuation rolls.

Newly released online include the following:

1930 Valuation Rolls
The newly released records contain some 2.5 million indexed names and addresses for anyone who owned, rented or occupied property in Scotland.

1855 Valuation Rolls
There are just over one million indexed names and addresses in this first rolls.

Military Service Appeal Tribunal Records
Now available to researchers online are thousands of cases of men who sought exemption from military service following the introduction of conscription in 1916.

Deaths of Scots at Sea
Thousands of marine death records from late Victorian times until 1974 are now available online.

www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk
Getting Started...

Australia

Are you looking for ancestors from down under? For a fee, researchers can subscribe and search for ancestors in a large online collection of Australian genealogical data such as Ancestry or FindMyPast. However, genealogists can begin their search for free with Ancestry Library Edition (accessible at the Vancouver Public Library) and/or with the Australian 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 Australian roots.

National Archives of Australia
Family History – Begin your journey

National Library of Australia
Family History

Northern Territory Library
Family History & Genealogy at Northern Territory Library

State Library New South Wales
Researching Your Family History

State Library of Queensland
Family History

State Library of South Australia
Family History

State Library of Western Australia
Family History
www.slwa.wa.gov.au/find/guides/family_history

State Library Victoria
Family History Tools and Resources
www.slv.vic.gov.au/explore/family-history-resources

Tasmanian Government - linc
Tasmanian Archives and Heritage
www.linc.tas.gov.au/archive-heritage

New and Updated Digital Initiatives

Bibliotheque et Archives nationales du Quebec
Registres de l’etat civil du Quebec des origines a 1915
The collection has been updated recently. Check it out at:
www.bibnum2.banq.qc.ca/bna/ecivil/

Harvard University
Harvard’s Colonial North American Project
Check out the digitized images of archival and manuscript materials of 17th and 18th century North America, part of an ongoing, multi-year project at Harvard University.
www.colonialnorthamerican.library.harvard.edu
Irish Genealogy.ie
Indexes of the Civil Registers of Births, Marriages, and Deaths
Updates to these indexes are now online.
www.civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/civil-search.jsp

National Archives of Norway
1891 Census of Norway
The 1891 Census of Norway with close to 2.5 million images is now available for searching or browsing.
www.digitalarkivet.arkivverket.no/en-gb/finn_kilde?s=&fra=1891&til=1891&kt[]=FOLK

National Library of Ireland
1916 Digital Collections
With the centenary of the Easter Rising 1916, the National Library of Ireland has digitized the personal papers, correspondence, diaries, photographs, and political documents of each signatory together with other records.
www.nli.ie/1916/

Nova Scotia Archives
Census, Assessment and Poll Tax Record, 1767-1838
An assortment of early census, property assessment and poll tax records from colonial Nova Scotia, totalling approximately 70,000 personal names, is now available in this searchable database.
www.novascotia.ca/archives/census

No. 2 Construction Battalion: Nominal Roll
The Nominal Roll of Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers and Men, No.2 Construction Battalion, the only Canadian battalion composed of black soldiers to serve in the First World War, has been digitized in honour of African Heritage Month.
www.novascotia.ca/archives/2construction

1917 Halifax Explosion
Personal Narratives and other materials
New items have been added to this ongoing collection in the lead-up to the centenary on 6 December 2017.
www.novascotia.ca/archives/explosion/personal.asp

Provincial Archives of New Brunswick
Dictionary of Miramichi Biography
This searchable database consists of 1,109 profiles of men and women born before 1900 who have spent at least a part of their lives on the Miramichi. Database is based on some of the research done by W.D. Hamilton from his Dictionary of Miramichi Biography (1997).

U.S. National Archives
History Hub
History Hub is a pilot crowdsourcing platform sponsored by the National Archives. It is a place to share information, work together, and find people based on their experience and interests. It includes a section where genealogists can ask questions and share information.
www.historyhub.archives.gov/welcome

University College, London
Legacies of British Slave-Ownership
This project traces the impact of slave-ownership on the formation of modern Britain and the significance of British Caribbean slave-ownership. Check out the online encyclopedia of British slave-ownership, containing information on every slave-owner in the British Caribbean at the moment of abolition in 1833.
www.ucl.ac.uk/lbs

For information on the enslaved, check out The Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade Database at:
www.slavevoyages.org
and/or
Slave Biographies at:
www.slavebiographies.org/
University of York
York's Archbishops Registers Revealed
Access for free over 20,000 images of registers produced by the Archbishops of York, in northern England, from 1225 to 1650.
www.archbishopsregisters.york.ac.uk

University of Nottingham
Institute for Name-Studies
Key to English Place-Names
This new website provides an up-to-date guide to the interpretation of the names of England’s cities, towns and villages.
www.kepn.nottingham.ac.uk

Genealogical Resources eNewsletter is a free bi-annual publication of the Vancouver Public Library distributed by email. If you are not already on the mailing list and would like to receive future issues, send an email to majordomo@vpl.ca with the subject subscribe and SUBSCRIBE genealogy in the body of the message.

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