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Recent Additions to the Collection

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General

The Empire on the Western Front: The British 62nd and Canadian 4th 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

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Bush Runner: The Adventures of Pierre-Esprit Radisson
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edited by Rita Dhamoon, Davina Bhandar, Renisa Mawani, and Satwinder Kaur Bains, 2019
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A Woman in Between: Searching for Dr. Victoria Chung = Zhang Xiaobai Yi Sheng
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by Ted McCoy, 2019
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Birchtown and the Black Loyalist Experience: From 1775 to the Present
by Stephen Eric Davidson, 2019
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Nova Scotia From the Air: Then and Now
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by Simone Poirier-Bures, 2018
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**The White Devil’s Daughters: The Women Who Fought Slavery in San Francisco’s Chinatown**  
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by Laura Cumming, 2019  
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**The Forgotten Child: The Powerful True Story of a Boy Abandoned as a Baby and Left to Die**  
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The Volunteer: One Man, an Underground Army, and the Secret Mission to Destroy Auschwitz
by Jack Fairweather, 2019
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Africa

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The Golden Rhinoceros: Histories of the African Middle Ages
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Asia

African Samurai: The True Story of Yasuke, a Legendary Black Warrior in Feudal Japan
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Barbarians at the Wall: The First Normadic Empire and the Making of China
by John Man, 2019
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The Bells of Old Tokyo: Meditations on Time and a City
by Anna Sherman, 2019
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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. The current session runs from Sept 18-Dec 11, 2019, with no meeting on Oct. 30.

Suzanne Sulzberger
Archivist, Public Services Branch, Library and Archives Canada
Archiviste, Direction générale des services 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

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 – 100th 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
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

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
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, Oddfellow 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

*NOTE: Full access to all is by subscription
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 2nd 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, 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 9th 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 3rd, 4th and 5th 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*
Canadian Archives, Museums
and Genealogical Societies

Alberta Genealogical Society
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.

Bomb Sight

Mapping the WW2 Bomb Census
Bomb Sight is a website where you can explore the London blitz from 7th October 1940 to 6th 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 20th 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 19th 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 19th 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 Environ 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 Environ 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 at 604 331-3603

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 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

**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 10th 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

**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

**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 10th 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

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**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 76th 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 or refer to the British Columbia Genealogical Society website.

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**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.

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**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

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

Her Story
Friday, October 25, 2019
1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Surrey Public Library
Ocean Park Branch
12854 17th 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

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

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  

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  

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 – 176th 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  

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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
Langley Heritage Society Speaker Series
Shea Henry
Tuesday, January 28, 2020
7:30 p.m.
Langley Heritage Society
Milner Church
6716 216th Street, Langley, B.C.

Haney House renovations (Maple Ridge historic home built in 1883). Shea will share lots of photos and some samples of 19th 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.
Langley Heritage Society
Milner Church
6716 216th Street, Langley, B.C.

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.

For more information visit the Langley Heritage 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**.
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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For more information, please contact:

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