

LOCAL HISTORY & GENEALOGY

2022 Winter/Spring Programs

We're limiting the number of customers who can attend our in-person programs to ensure social distancing. Ask a staff member if you have questions. **Masks are required to enter our buildings.** Children under the age of 2 are not required to wear a mask. In-person events could change to virtual events depending on public health needs.

Thursday, Jan. 20 | 6:30-8 p.m.

Researching in University Archives

Virtual: Register at crowdcast.io/columbuslibrary

Did your ancestor attend a local college or university? Are you researching a local history topic and wondering where to go next? Representatives from central Ohio libraries share resources from their archives that could help you.

Thursday, Jan. 27 | 6:30-8 p.m.

Forgotten Landmarks of Columbus

Virtual: Register at crowdcast.io/columbuslibrary

Tom Betti and Doreen Uhas Sauer, authors of *Historic Hotels of Columbus* and *Historic Taverns of Columbus*, will join us to share from their latest book, *Forgotten Landmarks of Columbus*.

Wednesday, Feb. 2 | 12-12:20 p.m.

African American Collection Spotlight: Columbus Illustrated Record

Virtual: Register at crowdcast.io/columbuslibrary

Join African American Special Collections Librarian Nicole Sutton and local historian Nettie Ferguson to learn about the *Columbus Illustrated Record*, an African American directory from 1920.

Saturday, Feb. 5 | 1-3 p.m.

Green Lawn Cemetery Project: Finding Your Ancestors 1890-1930

Virtual: Register at crowdcast.io/columbuslibrary

Learn how to find your ancestors who may be buried in Green Lawn Cemetery between 1890 and 1930. Featuring local historians Nettie Ferguson and Doreen Uhas Sauer.

Wednesday, Feb. 9 | 7-8 p.m.

Trivia: Columbus History

Virtual: Register at crowdcast.io/columbuslibrary

Put your knowledge of Columbus history to the test during a fun game of virtual trivia.

Thursday, Feb. 10 | 6:30-8 p.m.

Murder in Amish Ohio

Virtual: Register at crowdcast.io/columbuslibrary

Authors David Meyers and Elise Meyers Walker will discuss their new book chronicling the 1957 murder of a young Holmes County man. The so-called "Amish murder" opened a window into the private lives of the young man, his family and his community.

Thursday, Feb. 17 | 6:30-8 p.m.

Columbus Black Newspapers

Virtual: Register at crowdcast.io/columbuslibrary

Join African American Special Collections Librarian Nicole Sutton and Lorain County Community College professor Jewon Woo to discover historic African American newspapers in Columbus.

Saturday, Feb. 19 | 1-3 p.m.

Finding African Americans in Green Lawn Cemetery: Hands-On Research Workshop

Main Library (3rd Floor) | 96 S. Grant Ave.

Learn how to use books and records in our collection to research your ancestors who may be buried in Green Lawn Cemetery.

Thursday, Feb. 24 | 6:30-8 p.m.

African American Genealogy: The Benefaction of You with Nicka Sewell-Smith

Virtual: Register at crowdcast.io/columbuslibrary

Discover ways you can identify your free or enslaved ancestors and learn how DNA is helping families torn apart by slavery.

Thursday, March 3 | 6:30-8 p.m.

1950s in Columbus

Virtual: Register at crowdcast.io/columbuslibrary

Learn what life was like for your ancestors in Columbus when they were counted in the 1950 census.

Tuesday, March 8 | 12-12:20 p.m.

African American Collection Spotlight

Virtual: Register at crowdcast.io/columbuslibrary

Join African American Special Collections Librarian Nicole Sutton to learn more about Second Baptist Church.

Thursday, March 10 | 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Introduction to Local History & Genealogy

Whetstone Branch | 3909 N. High St.

Learn how our Local History & Genealogy team can help you. We'll show you how to get started researching your neighborhood history, house history or genealogy.

Thursday, March 17 | 6:30-8 p.m.

Researching Your Irish Ancestors

Virtual: Register at crowdcast.io/columbuslibrary

Genealogist Dwight Radford will discuss his new book, *Discovering Irish Origins Using the Records of Ireland*, and answer questions about how to research your Irish ancestors.

Saturday, April 2 | 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Census Day

Main Library (3rd Floor) | 96 S. Grant Ave.

Celebrate the release of the 1950 census with special activities and programs from the Local History & Genealogy team at Main Library.

Tuesday, April 5 | 12-12:20 p.m.

African American Collection Spotlight: King Arts Complex

Virtual: Register at crowdcast.io/columbuslibrary

Join African American Special Collections Librarian Nicole Sutton and a local historian or community member as we explore our digital collection, *My History*, to give context to the past.

Thursday, April 7 | 6:30-8 p.m.

History of Columbus Metropolitan Library

Virtual: Register at crowdcast.io/columbuslibrary

In recognition of National Library Week, learn more about how Columbus got a library.

Tuesday, April 12 | 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Researching Your Local History

Hilltop Branch | 511 S. Hague Ave.

Learn how to find the history of your neighborhood or even your own house with experts from our Local History & Genealogy team.

Thursday, April 21 | 6:30-8 p.m.

Fire in the Big House: America's Deadliest Prison Disaster

Virtual: Register at crowdcast.io/columbuslibrary

April 30 marks the 90th anniversary of the Ohio Penitentiary fire that killed over 300 inmates and brought international attention to the overcrowded conditions in America's prisons. Author Mitchel P. Roth will join us to discuss his book.

Tuesday, May 3 | 12-12:20 p.m.

African American Collection Spotlight: Burnside Heights

Virtual: Register at crowdcast.io/columbuslibrary

Join African American Special Collections Librarian Nicole Sutton and a local historian or community member as we explore our digital collection, *My History*, to give context to the past.

Thursday, May 5 | 6:30-8 p.m.

Researching Chinese American Genealogy

Virtual: Register at crowdcast.io/columbuslibrary

A former archivist at the National Archives at San Francisco and currently at the San Mateo Public Libraries, Marisa Louie Lee will share tips for researching your Chinese and Chinese American ancestors. *In recognition of Asian Pacific American Heritage Month*

Thursday, May 12 | 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

Introduction to Genealogy

Barnett Branch | 3434 E. Livingston Ave.

Learn how to get started researching your family history. This virtual genealogy class for beginners will cover research techniques and tips, including how to use online resources such as Ancestry and FamilySearch.

Thursday, May 19 | 6:30-8 p.m.

Getting Around Columbus: Then and Now

Virtual: Register at crowdcast.io/columbuslibrary

How did people get around Columbus in the past? Join librarian Megan Sheeran to learn about commuting and traveling in and around Columbus, from its earliest days through the present - and get a glimpse of what might be in our future.

