



Archives and Genealogy Day

October 7, 2023 at the Georgia Archives

An event tailored for genealogy enthusiasts and beginners alike! Free and open to the public

Track 1 - Registration fee and pre-registration required

9:00am - 4:00pm ***Beginning Basics of Genealogy*, Laura Carter, MEd, MLIS, SLIS**

This day-long session is designed to introduce participants to the basic principles and methodology of genealogy and family history research. Time will be spent on understanding the basics of genealogy principles and methodologies and the importance of source citations and document analysis. Participants will gain hands-on experience, enhancing their genealogy skills in the process. Note: All participants are required to have a FamilySearch.org account prior to attending.

[Click here to register for Track 1: Beginning Basics of Genealogy](#)

Registration Fee: \$30 paid at the time of registration

Registration Deadline: October 4

Cancellation Deadline: October 5

Please notify us of cancellations as seating is limited to 30 people. To cancel, please call 678-364-3710.

Track 2 - Free, no registration required

9:30am-10:30am ***Session 1: Archives, Ancestry, and Agriculture: A Brief Overview through the Records*, Dr. John Whitehurst, MA, MLIS**

This presentation will look at the ways that agriculture impacted the movement of people into and out of Georgia from the state's founding to the Great Migration. A variety of federal, state, and local records will be used to demonstrate what we can learn about our ancestor's lives, the types of work they did, and why many of them chose to move in, around, and out of the state. By looking at a combination of historical, agricultural, and genealogical records we can better understand both the experiences and decisions that our ancestors made.

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10:30am-10:45am Morning break sponsored by the Friends of Georgia Archives and History (FOGAH)

11:45am-12:45pm Lunch available for a cash donation

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10:45am-11:45am **Session 2: DNA Case Studies: Exploring DNA Testing, Getting Results, and the Latest from Top Testing Companies, Kenneth H. Thomas, Jr.**

Kenneth Thomas will explain how he used DNA to verify paper-trail research, family surnames, and to solve family mysteries. During this session, he will also address some of the latest advances from top DNA companies. Attendees can submit a question in advance by visiting: <https://forms.office.com/r/KtMz5zAY7C>

12:45pm-1:45pm **Session 3: Washington Memorial Library: 100 Years Old and Still Going Strong, Muriel M. Jackson, she/her**

Since November 1923, the Washington Memorial Library has served the citizens of Macon and Middle Georgia. One of the hidden gems is the Genealogical and Historical Room along with the Middle Georgia Archives. Have you ever wondered how it got started? This presentation will address this and answer other questions about what we have to offer our patrons.

2:00pm-3:00pm **Session 4: Planning and Goals in Genealogical Oral History Programs, Dr. Mark Janzen, Director, Center for Public History, University of West Georgia and Keri Adams, M.A., Assistant Director, Center for Public History, University of West Georgia**

Two of the keys to a strong oral history program are preliminary planning and setting goals. This presentation will discuss some of the ins and outs of planning for an effective experience for both the interviewers and the interviewees, as well as how to organize and set both long and short-term goals for your program.

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