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Getting Started in Genealogy

In a three-hour overview, Nancy Cutway — member of Kingston Branch, Ontario Genealogical Society, for over 40 years — will provide you with the Why, How, and Where of family history research: and you will then be able to begin finding your own Who and When.

You will learn basic principles: how to document information you gather and why it is important to record the source; the difference between primary documentation and secondary or "third-hand" sources; where to find original records, including "live" visits to the major online repositories; and what resources the Kingston Frontenac Public Library (KFPL) has to offer locally, including the library edition of Ancestry.com and the library collections of Kingston Branch OGS and Kingston & District Branch, United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada, housed at the Central Branch of KFPL.

You will follow a case study of one family to see how civil registration records, census records and digitized newspapers can be utilized to fill in the blanks in knowledge of a family. You will receive a handout providing blank forms you can use as a guide when gathering information, and a list of useful web links and other suggestions.

The same presentation will take place on Tuesday, February 18, from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Central Branch, and on Friday, February 21, from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Turner Branch. Admission is free. Seating is limited, so please register in advance at calendar.kfpl.ca or by phone at 613-549-8888. Please register for one session or the other, but not both, so that we may make space available for as many participants as possible. Registration will open at 9 a.m. on Saturday, February 1.

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