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A view from the NYSFHC venue, 1904, from State Street looking towards the New York State Capitol, Albany, New York (NYPL Digital Collections)

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Return to New York this Year!

NYSFHC in Albany

Join hundreds of family history researchers at the 2022 New York State Family History Conference (NYSFHC). The live conference takes place in the New York state capital, Albany, New York, where you will enjoy three days of camaraderie and learning experiences with genealogists of all experience levels!

This year's event features more than 50 educational sessions, social gatherings, digital conference syllabus (PDF), New York Stories Night, and more! PLUS, all attendees will have full access to NYSFHC@Home, including on-demand sessions from September 12–October 17, 2022.

In-Person Conference in Albany, New York

NYSFHC Albany Schedule At-A-Glance

Thursday, September 8

11:30 am	Opening Session + Keynote
12:15–1:15 pm	Box Lunch (\$) and Entertainment
4:45 pm	End of Last Session
5:00–6:00pm	Welcome Reception (Cash bar, all are welcome)

Friday, September 9

9:00 am	Sessions Begin
12:30–1:30pm	Box Lunch (\$) and Entertainment
5:15 pm	End of Last Session
6:00–7:00 pm	New York Stories Night (All are welcome)

Saturday, September 10

9:00 am	Sessions begin
12:30–1:30pm	Box Lunch (\$) and Entertainment
4:00 pm	End of Last Session
4:00–4:30 pm	Closing Reception

September 12–October 17, 2022

Access to all NYSFHC@Home On-Demand Sessions

About the Venue

Location and Lodging

The conference will be held at the Albany Hilton, 40 Lodge Street, Albany, New York, just blocks from the New York State Library, the New York State Archives, the State Capitol, and many historical sites and other repositories.

Rooms are available at the Albany Hilton at a special conference price. The code for the special rate will be included in your registration confirmation email. Other accommodations are available within walking distance.

Travel to Albany

Coming by car? Albany is three hours or less from Boston, Syracuse, and New York City. Parking is available at the garage adjacent to the Albany Hilton (\$).



Some scenes from our 2018 conference (photos by Andrea Watson).

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NYSFHC in Albany—In-Person Program

Thursday, September 8, 2022 (Schedule subject to change.)

8:30 am	On-site Check-in Opens		
11:30 am	Opening Session + Keynote—Lost Stories: How the New York City Fire of 1776 Illuminates Unfamiliar Lives of the American Revolution Benjamin L. Carp, PhD T1		
12:15 pm	Box lunch (\$) and entertainment		
1:15 pm	Putting Your Upstate New York Ancestor on the Map Skip Duett T2	Fire, Water, and the 1890 U.S. Census: Researching Beyond the Ashes and Mold Elizabeth Williams Gomoll, CG® T3	Adding Story to Family History Kyle Hurst T4
2:30 pm	When Worlds Collide: Resolving Conflicts in Genealogical Records Judy G. Russell, JD, CG®, CGL SM T5	Government Secrets Revealed: County Supervisors' Proceedings Rhonda Hoffman, MLS T6	Ukrainian Genealogy Research Lara Diamond T7
3:45 pm	Colonial British and Loyalist Records at the New York State Archives Jane E. Wilcox T8	Surname Studies: Follow That Surname Michael Cassara T9	Finding and Using Digitized Manuscripts for Genealogical Research Annette Burke Lyttle T10
5:00–6:00 pm	Conference Reception All registrants are welcome to attend.		

Friday, September 9, 2022 (Schedule subject to change.)

9:00 AM	Maximizing your Membership and Volunteer Opportunities Jennifer Davis and Anna King F1	Finding Family in Eastern Europe; Getting Creative When Records Are Scarce Lara Diamond F2	From Pirates to Sunken Ships: New York's Federal Court Records Judy G. Russell, JD, CG®, CGL SM F3
10:15 am	DAR Records: Don't Research New York without Them! Eric G. Grundset, MLS F4	Advanced Chromosome Mapping Using DNA Painter Blaine T. Bettinger, PhD, JD F5	Hidden Gem—Holland Land Company in Central New York Skip Duett F6
11:30 am	Dutch Reformed Church Records John Boeren, LLM, PLCGS F7	Searching for Irish Ancestors Penny Walters, PhD F8	You Be the Judge: Was Nicholas Storm Alive during the Revolutionary War? Jane E. Wilcox F9
12:30	Box lunch (\$) and entertainment		
1:45 pm	The Erie Canal and the Opening of the West Annette Burke Lyttle F10	The Jews of Long Island 1705–1918 Brad Kolodny F11	New York in Postcards: Bringing Deltiology to Your Genealogy! Michael Cassara F12

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3:00 pm	Sharing Your Genealogy: Writing It Up Right Scott Andrew Bartley F13	Exploring New York the New Way at FamilySearch Robert Raymond F14	Migration: New England to and Through New York Kyle Hurst F15
4:15 pm	Finding Births, Marriages, and Deaths in New York, 1780 to 1850 D. Joshua Taylor, MA, MLS, FUGA F16	Surname Mapping: A New Approach to Finding Your Ancestors Place of Origin Terry Koch-Bostic F17	Dutch Passenger Lists and Other Emigration Records John Boeren, LLM, PLCGS F18

Saturday, September 10, 2022 (Schedule subject to change.)

9:00 am	New York State Censuses: You Won't Believe What's Hiding in There! Jeanette Sheliga S1	Records on 17th Century Dutch Ancestors John Boeren, LLM, PLCGS S2	Free Websites for Family History Researchers Cherie Bush S3
10:15 am	Tips for Searching and Using Ancestry's NY Religious Records Susan R. Miller S4	Unlocking Notation Codes on Alien Passenger Lists Elizabeth Williams Gomoll, CG® S5	Americans North of the Border: Migration and the Records to Find Them Scott Andrew Bartley S6
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4:00 pm	Closing Reception		

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Tickets start as low as \$305 for the in-person conference in Albany, New York, or \$165 for the NYSFHC@Home pass. Register today at nysfhc.org or call 212-755-8532 x207 to register by phone!

We'll See You Online!

NYSFHC@Home

Join us **online** for the 2022 New York State Family History Conference from home! The NYSFHC@Home Pass includes access more than 40 on-demand educational sessions (some livestreaming from Albany, NY, September 8–10, 2022), the digital conference syllabus (PDF), New York Stories Night, and more. Access all these materials from September 12–October 17, 2022. In-person conference registrants will also receive access to NYSFHC@Home!

All about New York (Availability subject to change.)

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Eric G. Grundset, MLS
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Divorce and Guardianship in 19th Century New York—Chancery Court Case Studies

Monica Gray
OD2

Finding Births, Marriages, and Deaths in New York, 1780 to 1850

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From Pirates to Sunken Ships: New York's Federal Court Records

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Annette Burke Lyttle
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Finding Samuel Fletcher—Searching Records in New York, Vermont, and Beyond

Denise Cross
OD6

Additional session on migration are available in-person in Albany.

NYSFHC@Home On-Demand Sessions: People and Places (Availability subject to change.)

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NYSFHC@Home On-Demand Sessions: New York and Beyond (Availability subject to change.)

Connecticut Research: The Basics

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Robert Raymond
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Using U.S. Church Records to Identify German Origins

Hallie J. Borstel
OD5

Finding Family in Eastern Europe; Getting Creative When Records Are Scarce

Lara Diamond
F2

Ukrainian Genealogy Research

Lara Diamond
T7

Expo Space

The NYSFHC 2022 Expo Space will be online and is open to all visitors—including conference attendees, sponsors, speakers, and anyone visiting the NYSFHC conference website. Because the Expo Space is entirely online, attendees will have 24-hour access to the space from September 8 to October 17, 2022.

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NYSFHC 2022 Session Descriptions



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18th Century Slavery and Gradual Emancipation in 19th Century New York Janice Lovelace, PhD Do you have a friend, family member or client with a New York African American ancestor from 18th and early 19th century? This presentation will explore what life was like for Africans who were enslaved and then freed in New York State through records such as standard censuses, probate and vital records, as well as special collections. OD1	On-demand
Adding Story to Family History Kyle Hurst Going beyond names and dates, how can we add narrative that brings our ancestors to life? This class will cover story structure, writing tips, and how to add biographical and contextual details that show how each ancestor lived. T4	In-person
Advanced Chromosome Mapping Using DNA Painter Blaine T. Bettinger, PhD, JD Chromosome mapping can be a powerful tool for working with unknown matches, among other uses. In this lecture we will go beyond the basis of chromosome mapping. Using the DNA Painter tools, we will examine advanced methodologies such as inferred chromosome mapping (using DNA we DON'T share with a relative to map new segments!). F5	In-person and on-demand
Americans North of the Border: Migration and the Records to Find Them Scott Andrew Bartley This lecture covers the migration north to Canada after the Revolution and then picks up on the "modern" records covering the United States and Canada border. Each record type will be discussed with example of them. The accompanying handout with list everything discussed with a link to the original records that you can see online. S6	In-person
Colonial British and Loyalist Records at the New York State Archives Jane E. Wilcox The New York State Archives holds records of the colonial and state governments of New York. Tapping into the underutilized resources of the colonial Dutch and British governmental records, as well as Loyalist records from the State, can assist your research of your colonial and Loyalist ancestors in New York. T8	In-person and on-demand
Connecticut Research: The Basics Bryna O'Sullivan, PLCGS Many New York families interacted with Connecticut, whether they lived on the border or moved from Connecticut into the state. This presentation will introduce four common sources that can be used to document families in Connecticut and explain how to access them. OD3	On-demand
DAR Records: Don't Research New York without Them! Eric G. Grundset, MLS The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, the New York State Organization DAR, and the chapters in the state have produced a huge collection of valuable genealogical materials. Researchers must tap these rich resources in the search for hidden family information. Materials in Albany, New York City, and Washington, DC, and how to access them are the focus of this lecture. F4	In-person and on-demand
Divorce and Guardianship in 19th Century New York—Chancery Court Case Studies Monica Gray The New York Court of Chancery (1787–1847) had jurisdiction over divorce cases. In 1813 this jurisdiction was extended to separation and annulment proceedings. The session briefly addresses changes in the law over time, and then examine case studies from the records to look at what type of information you can expect to find and how you locate it. OD2	On-demand

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<p>Dutch Passenger Lists and Other Emigration Records John Boeren, LLM, PLCGS Anyone who has discovered that their ancestors once came from the Netherlands also wants to know when they left the old homeland and for what reason. The first question that arises is: are there passenger lists or other emigration documents? What can we learn from these documents and how do they help with further research into Dutch families? But also: what are the differences over the centuries? F18</p>	In-person
<p>Dutch Reformed Church Records John Boeren, LLM, PLCGS The Dutch Reformed Church — formerly Nederduits Gereformeerde kerk — had a special place in Dutch society in the 17th and 18th centuries. The church records provide insight into the lives of our ancestors, but most importantly help us understand who was who and what happened to whom. These sources play a major role in research into 17th century immigrants in particular. F7</p>	In-person and on-demand
<p>The Erie Canal and the Opening of the West Annette Burke Lyttle The Erie Canal revolutionized 19th-century travel across New York to the Midwest. It made settlement of the Old Northwest Territories possible by providing an efficient means of exporting agricultural products to the markets and ports of the east. But it was also one of the most challenging and fascinating projects ever undertaken in America. F10</p>	In-person and on-demand
<p>Exploring New York the New Way at FamilySearch Robert Raymond First, images in 2020. Now, records in 2022. FamilySearch is radically transforming the rapid publication of online records. F14</p>	In-person and on-demand
<p>Finding and Using Digitized Manuscripts for Genealogical Research Annette Burke Lyttle Manuscript collections contain genealogical gems. Letters, diaries, photographs, histories, and many more wonders reside in repositories around the world. Many are digitizing parts of their collections. Learn how to search for online collections, use finding aids to determine their usefulness, and locate amazing records. T10</p>	In-person and on-demand
<p>Finding Births, Marriages, and Deaths in New York, 1780 to 1850 D. Joshua Taylor, MA, MLS, FUGA Seeking evidence of a birth, marriage, or death in New York State between 1780 and 1850? Without consistent vital records, documenting these events can be a genealogical adventure. Together we explore numerous substitutes and strategies to employ when researching these vital events including religious records, census reports, personal records, and other materials. F16</p>	In-person
<p>Finding Family in Eastern Europe; Getting Creative When Records Are Scarce Lara Diamond For most places there are likely alternatives when records we want (vital and census records) are not available. And even when some records are available, information in lesser-known records may add human interest to otherwise dry genealogical facts. Historic border changes can drive available record types and where they might be held. This talk looks at two families, one from Austria-Hungary and one from the Russian Empire. F2</p>	In-person and on-demand
<p>Finding Samuel Fletcher—Searching Records in New York, Vermont, and Beyond Denise Cross The lack of vital records does not mean identities cannot be discovered or children named. Digging deep into online records and manuscript collections in New York archives and special collections turned up evidence to tie Samuel Fletcher of Westville, NY to his Vermont origins and provided names for his children. OD6</p>	On-demand
<p>Fire, Water, and the 1890 U.S. Census: Researching Beyond the Ashes and Mold Elizabeth Williams Gomoll, CG® Most genealogists are aware the 1890 federal census was destroyed by fire in 1921. Learn the story behind this historical and genealogical tragedy and how to research around the loss of that precious record. T3</p>	In-person and on-demand
<p>Free Websites for Family History Researchers Cherie Bush There are many wonderful free genealogical resources available that people may not be aware of. S3</p>	In-person

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<p>From Pirates to Sunken Ships: New York’s Federal Court Records Judy G. Russell, JD, CG®, CGLSM Even genealogists with a good background in court records often overlook the goodies in the records of New York’s federal courts: the District Court, the Circuit Court, the modern Circuit Court of Appeals, and even the Supreme Court. From pirates and prize cases to the way the courts handled the Titanic, federal court records merit a close look. F3</p>	In-person and on-demand
<p>Government Secrets Revealed: County Supervisors’ Proceedings Rhonda Hoffman, MLS County supervisors’ proceedings are not your average government reports. Tucked amongst their pages are hard to find details about our ancestors’ lives. Learn how to use these documents and what they may reveal. T6</p>	In-person and on-demand
<p>Lost Stories: How the New York City Fire of 1776 Illuminates Unfamiliar Lives of the American Revolution Benjamin L. Carp, PhD, the Daniel M. Lyons Professor of American History at Brooklyn College, and faculty at the Graduate Center of the City University of New York On September 21, 1776, five days after the British occupied New York City, a devastating fire burned down a fifth of the city. While the mystery of the fire is fascinating in its own right, the event also brings together a startling cast of characters from around the Atlantic world. What’s found is a very different American Revolution in the stories of the disgraced, the displaced, and the prematurely deceased. The Great Fire of New York City brings together the thoughts and decisions of some well-known politicians and senior military officers, but also captains and privates, Loyalists, women, and people of African and indigenous descent. The Great Fire of 1776 offers opportunities to think about the lives and their actions of marginalized and lesser-known people, and it requires historical context as well as genealogical research to fully unravel its mysteries. T1</p>	Keynote In-person and livestream
<p>Hidden Gem—Holland Land Company in Central New York Skip Duett Before the Holland Land Company made their massive land purchase of Western New York, the men who formed the HLC first operated at a much smaller scale in what is now Oneida and Madison Counties. These early (1792–1815) records may be the only evidence available tying your ancestors to early New York before they moved west to Ohio and beyond. F6</p>	In-person
<p>Irish Research Update: Best Sources and Methods to Unlock Your Family’s Records Terry Koch-Bostic Researching ancestors born in Ireland has become less difficult in recent years as more records become digitized and freely accessible. But discovering their origins in a townland can still be a major hurdle. Discover methodology and records that can help solve that problem. S10</p>	In-person and on-demand
<p>Is Great-Grandmother Really Native American? Native American Genealogy Research Janice Lovelace, PhD Many families have the oral history that an ancestor was Native American. How does a family researcher begin to discover if this is true? What federal, state and tribal records are available? OD7</p>	On-demand
<p>The Jews of Long Island 1705–1918 Brad Kolodny The Jews of Long Island 1705–1918 tells the story of how Jewish communities were established and developed east of New York City, from Great Neck to Greenport and Cedarhurst to Sag Harbor. Discover how archival material including census records, newspaper accounts, never-before-published photos, and personal family histories illuminate Jewish life and experiences during these formative years. F11</p>	In-person and on-demand
<p>Land Companies: Post-Revolutionary War Land Development in New York Skip Duett After the Revolution, there was a shift away from the earlier land transfer approaches. The Holland Land Company, Phelps & Gorham, Pulteney, Constable and many others operated land companies in the post-war period. Understanding how and where these companies functioned opens a treasure trove of records the prudent New York researcher will not want to miss. S15</p>	In-person

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<p>Land of the Blacks: Tracing America’s First “Free” Black Community at NYSA Jasmine Bumpers and Jamie Brinkman In 1643, the first deeds were granted to those of African descent that had been formerly enslaved by the Dutch West India Company and successfully petitioned for freedom or obtained “half-free” status within New Netherland. Learn more about the unique village and the people who inhabited it, the ulterior motive behind the settlement, and what became of it after the English seized control of the Dutch colony. OD8</p>	On-demand
<p>Lumberjacks, Canal Workers: Rural Occupations in New York and Pennsylvania James M. Beidler Many rural workers, often landless, supplied the labor for various industries in the areas on either side of the border between New York and Pennsylvania. Some traditional records omit them entirely; others need to be closely examined to find and document these individuals. Learn which record sets will help you the most! S12</p>	In-person and on-demand
<p>Making the Most of Your Onsite Research In New York Susan R. Miller When you travel to New York, efficiency while researching can improve your ability to answer that research question. Learn how to determine where to research, how to prepare, and a few key points when you arrive. OD4</p>	On-demand
<p>Maximizing your Membership and Volunteer Opportunities Jennifer Davis and Anna King Join us to be sure that you are taking full advantage of all the benefits of NYG&B membership. Along with member information, we will also discuss volunteer activities and the tremendous impact our volunteers have on our activities. F1</p>	In-person and on-demand
<p>Migration: New England to and Through New York Kyle Hurst New York has been called “the first West for New England” because so many New Englanders settled there before continuing westward. Understanding patterns of settlement, expansion, and migration can help identify deep New England roots. This class will also cover methods for researching families on the move in the North-east. F15</p>	In-person
<p>A Mosaic of New York Books on FamilySearch Robert Raymond The FamilySearch Digital Library has over 500,000 e-books from a mosaic of libraries. New features make it easier to find your ancestor than ever before. OD9</p>	On-demand
<p>Navigating FultonHistory.com Jeanette Sheliga FultonHistory.com, or Old Fulton NY Postcards, is a free, historic newspaper website that contains archives of over 50 million pages of microfilmed newspaper images (mostly New York State newspapers, along with collections from other states and Canada). This presentation will give an overview of the content and a variety of search strategies. S11</p>	In-person and on-demand
<p>New York in Postcards: Bringing Deltiology to Your Genealogy! Michael Cassara Postcards were the text messages of their day. In 1905 alone, over 7 *billion* postcards were sent worldwide. Genealogists can often find postcards depicting places where their ancestors lived, and might even find their actual correspondence! New York’s rich postcard history will be presented to illustrate this underutilized genealogical resource. F12</p>	In-person and on-demand
<p>New York Quakers: Their History and the Records They Left Annette Burke Lyttle The first Quakers came to New Amsterdam in 1657 and soon there were several Quaker communities on Long Island. In the next two centuries, Quakers moved steadily westward across the state. Learn about the history of Quakers in New York and how to find the wonderful records they left. S9</p>	In-person and on-demand

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<p>New York State Censuses: You Won't Believe What's Hiding In There! Jeanette Sheliga New York State conducted 10 State censuses between 1825–1925. Some of the questions asked for the State censuses provide details prior to the beginning of civil registrations and decades before a similar question was asked on the Federal censuses. If you have New York State genealogy research to do, this is a record collection that you'll want to familiarize yourself with! S1</p>	In-person and on-demand
<p>NYG&B Digitized Collections: Materials Available Online for You NYG&B Team What does it take to digitize a collection from an archive or book for you to view it at home? Learn the behind-the-scenes process and how you can view collections from home. S7</p>	In-person and on-demand
<p>Putting Your Upstate New York Ancestor on the Map Skip Duett Determining where your Upstate New York ancestors lived can provide valuable context to understanding their lives but figuring out that physical location can sometimes be tricky. Learn about map resources and various survey and lotting systems used in Upstate New York as well as some strategies that can help you put your ancestor on the map. T2</p>	In-person and on-demand
<p>Records on 17th Century Dutch Ancestors John Boeren, LL.M., PLCGS A significant number of families in New York can boast of one or more ancestors who settled New Netherland in the 17th century. In which Dutch sources do you look for relatives who did not make the crossing? This presentation provides a general overview of sources in Dutch archives, and especially online. Examples are church books, probate and court records. S2</p>	In-person
<p>Return to New York Church Records at FamilySearch Website, Library, and Centers Robert Raymond Over the years, FamilySearch has amassed a large collection of New York Church records. Learn how to access them online, or when necessary, at the Salt Lake Family History Library, branch family history centers, or affiliated libraries. S14</p>	In-person and on-demand
<p>Searching for Ancestors When You're Adopted Penny Walters, PhD Look at the practical realities, the excitement and pain of researching a 'new' family. Invaluable information can be revealed to adopted people through DNA testing. Reunions may not go as well as expected, so some adopted people find satisfaction in finding other relatives or constructing an ancestral tree. Penny will reflect on her own adoption story, the impact on identity and personal narrative, and discuss the ethical dilemmas that can arise. S8</p>	In-person and on-demand
<p>Searching for Irish Ancestors Penny Walters, PhD This session will look at why the Irish left Ireland during the 1800s, many of who went to America. Immigrant ancestors are inspiring and fascinating because they are diaspora (they left somewhere) and pioneers (they came to somewhere). We would like to know how, when and why ancestors went to America, and how to analyse the mark they left in records in Ireland. F8</p>	In-person and on-demand
<p>Sharing Your Genealogy: Writing It Up Right Scott Andrew Bartley We will discuss the various reasons for writing up your genealogy, the pros and cons of genealogical programs, writing styles for ancestry or descendancy, and the importance of footnotes. We will show how this will help researching problems and then focus on how to create simple, concise footnotes for online sources. F13</p>	In-person and on-demand
<p>Surname Mapping: A New Approach to Finding Your Ancestors Place of Origin Terry Koch-Bostic Surname mapping projects connect historical content for surnames and variants to families and locales. Understanding surname origins and distribution by country can help discover ancestral origins and relevant records for your family. Explore websites for European countries and Early Dutch in NYC. F17</p>	In-person and on-demand

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<p>Surname Studies: Follow That Surname Michael Cassara</p> <p>A one-name (or surname) study is defined by the Guild of One-Name Studies as “a project researching all occurrences of a surname.” This talk will dive into the practice of surname studies and examine how they can help lead a researcher to major breakthroughs. Learn valuable information for both beginning and advanced genealogists—and hear an overview of related topics including DNA studies, surname mapping, and research methodology. T9</p>	In-person and on-demand
<p>Tips for Searching and Using Ancestry’s NY Religious Records Susan R. Miller</p> <p>Ancestry.com holds several significant collections of New York’s Protestant denominations. Learn tips for searching and also when searching by name might not yield results. Gain a better understanding of how you might uncover more than the obvious records. S4</p>	In-person and on-demand
<p>Ukrainian Genealogy Research Lara Diamond</p> <p>Ukrainian genealogical resources are becoming more available, both online and in-person in recent years. This talk will cover the wide variety of online resources available to research one’s ancestors who lived in what is modern-day Ukraine as well as those available to local researchers. Contrary to popular belief, most records were not destroyed, and researching Ukrainian ancestry is very possible. T7</p>	In-person and on-demand
<p>Understanding TIMBER and ThruLines® at AncestryDNA Blaine T. Bettinger, PhD, JD</p> <p>This presentation will look at the effects of the TIMBER algorithm, AncestryDNA’s proprietary method to filter out segments shared with more distant common ancestors. We will also examine AncestryDNA ThruLines, and how they can be properly utilized for genealogical research. S13</p>	In-person and on-demand
<p>Unlocking Notation Codes on Alien Passenger Lists Elizabeth Williams Gomoll, CG*</p> <p>Finding an immigrant’s name on a passenger list is exciting, but there’s more information on that sheet than you might expect. Learn what the cryptic abbreviations and number codes jotted on U.S. customs manifests can reveal about an immigrant’s experience when they arrived in “Amerika.” S5</p>	In-person and on-demand
<p>Using U.S. Church Records to Identify German Origins Hallie J. Borstel</p> <p>How do you determine a town of origin in Germany? When civil records lack specificity about the location, church records can provide clues. This session will walk through several case studies to show the important role these records can play in getting back to Europe. Examples will cover New York, New Jersey, and the Northeast. Applicable to 19th century research. OD5</p>	On-demand
<p>When Worlds Collide: Resolving Conflicts in Genealogical Records Judy G. Russell, JD, CG®, CGLSM</p> <p>The Genealogical Proof Standard says to resolve conflicts in data... but like so many things that sound good, it’s easier said than done. What exactly are we supposed to do when we encounter conflicting evidence? What are the basic types of evidence conflicts and the methods—and tips and tricks—we can use to resolve them? T5</p>	In-person and on-demand
<p>You Be the Judge: Was Nicholas Storm Alive during the Revolutionary War? Jane E. Wilcox</p> <p>A family tradition claims that Philipsburg Manor tenant Nicholas Storm hosted Gen. Philip Schuyler at his home during the Battle of White Plains. Fact or fiction? You be the judge using typical and atypical sources for Westchester County including manorial, court, cemetery, Loyalist confiscation, U.S. Army forage, personal papers and accounts, probate, maps, laws, and more. F9</p>	In-person

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