York County Library
Genealogy & Family History
Expo

Saturday, October 18, 2025 Courtyard by Marriott, Fort Mill, S.C. 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Register beginning September 22 at yclibrary.org/events or email reference@yclibrary.org or john.skardon@yclibrary.org



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- **FREE** event sponsored by the York County Library.
- ❖ 13 informative presentations by professional genealogists.
- Catered complimentary luncheon.
- **\$** Exhibitors and vendors from local and regional genealogical societies.
- ❖ Fantastic door prizes, including DNA testing kits, free subscriptions to genealogy websites and software, genealogy books, and more!
- Plus, a variety of free genealogical resources and gifts to enhance your family research.





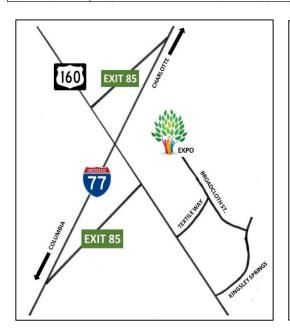








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8:30 - 9:30	Check-In / Exhibits & Vendors								
9:30 - 9:45	Welcome: John W. Skardon, YCL Genealogy Librarian								
9:45 - 11:00	Keynote Address: From Blackstone to the Statutes at Large: How Knowing the Law Makes Us Better Genealogists Judy G. Russell								
11:00 - 11:15	Break / Exhibits & Vendors								
		Lecture Hall A		Lecture Hall B		Lecture Hall C		Lecture Hall D	
11:15 - 12:30	Methodology	How I Built My Own Brick Wall and the Sledgehammer of Experience	Methodology	Putting Those Records to Work	ican Ame	Finding the Last Slave Owner	Organization	How to Clear the Mess on Your Desk	
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12:30 - 1:45		Luncheon / Exhibits & Vendors							
1:45 - 3:00	Record Groups	Military Pension Records: Revolution to the Civil War Rebecca Whitman Koford	Evidence Analysis	The Discriminating Genealogist: Telling Good Evidence from Bad Judy G. Russell	Amer	Unique African American Records Ari Wilkins	Methodology	Collateral Research: the Secret Sauce to Finding Family Records Cheri Hudson Passey	
3:00 - 3:15		Break / Exhibits & Vendors							
3:15 - 4:30	DNA	DNA Success: Understanding Genetic Networks Kelli Bergheimer	Law & Records	"Don't Forget the Ladies" A Genealogist's Guide to Women and the Law Judy G. Russell	Methodology	From Name Collection to Name Confirmation: Adding Leaves to the Right Branch Cheri Hudson Passey	Record Groups	Don't Miss a Beat! Unlocking Ancestral Clues in Newspapers Lisa T. Lisson	
4:30 - 5:00	Door prize drawings and closing remarks						37 3		



The York County Library
Genealogy & Family History Expo will be at the
Courtyard by Marriott located at
1385 Broadcloth Street, Fort Mill, S.C. 29715.
(803) 548-0156

From Charlotte take I-77 South to exit 85. Turn left onto Highway 160. At the second traffic light (Kingsley Springs) turn left, then a second left onto Broadcloth Street. The hotel is at the end of the street.

From Columbia take I-77 North to exit 85. Turn right onto Highway 160. At the first traffic light (Kingsley Springs) turn left, then a second left onto Broadcloth Street. The hotel is at the end of the street.



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