



# Festival at a Glance

Registration opens at 9:00am, Doors open at 9:45am to visitors, Festival opens at 10:00am

## Conference Room Lectures

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10:00-10:45 Lecture 1  
*Grow Your Family Tree*  
by Deborah Hoffman

11:15-12:00 Lecture 2  
*From Family Research to Lasting Treasures*  
by Lyndra Pratt Marshall

**Break**

1:15-2:00 Lecture 1  
*Grow Your Family Tree*  
by Deborah Hoffman

2:30-3:15 Lecture 2  
*From Family Research to Lasting Treasures*  
by Lyndra Pratt Marshall

4:00-4:30 Closing  
Address in **Main Search Room** by Timothy Baker and Grand Prize Drawing

## Workshops Electronic Classroom

10:15-11:00  
Workshop 1 *Introduction to the Catalogs of the Maryland State Archives*  
by Michael McCormick

11:30-12:15  
Workshop 2 *Introduction to MDLANDREC*  
by Rachel Frazier

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## Workshops Conservation Lab

10:30-11:30  
Workshop 3 *Simple Preservation Techniques for Caring for Family Treasures*  
by Vicki Lee, Jenn Cruickshank and Camille DiMarco

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**ONGOING ACTIVITIES ALL DAY: Children's Activities by Chesapeake Children's Museum in Small Exhibit's Room, Social Media/Family Photo Opportunity in Small Microfilm Room, Exhibitor's Hall in Main Search Room, Food Trucks on the Plaza**

## Registration

Due to overwhelming demand, this year tickets are required for entry to each lecture or workshop. Tickets are free of charge and will be distributed beginning at 9am on the morning of the festival. No advance registrations will be accepted. Tickets are first come, first served, and only one ticket will be given per person per session. A staff person will affix a color coded wristband indicating the time of session. Tickets for afternoon sessions will be given out after the morning ones are full or beginning at 12:00pm.

## Lectures

### **Lecture 1: "Grow Your Family Tree" by Debra A. Hoffman**

**Lecture Summary:** Discover your ancestors! Basic genealogy research steps will be covered as well as an overview of national, regional, and local resources including useful Internet sites with specific emphasis on the resources at the Maryland State Archives. Suitable for a beginner audience.

### **Lecture 2: "From Family Research to Lasting Treasures" by Lyndra Pratt Marshall**

**Lecture Summary:** Have you ever wondered what to do with all of the documents, government records, photographs, artifacts, heirlooms, etc. that you acquire while tracing your family roots? Don't bury them. They should be transparent! Presenter Lyndra Marshall (née Pratt), Chair of the Maryland Commission on African American History and Culture and Owner of GENE-ALL-OF-US, INC. Family Heritage Research and Resource Center, will discuss ideas and tips you can explore to turn your research into lasting family treasures for everyone's enlightenment and enjoyment.

## Workshops

### **Workshop 1:**

**Introduction to the Catalogs of the Maryland State Archives** with Michael McCormick, Director of Reference Services. This workshop will teach you how to locate and use catalogs to access record indexes and records. You will learn how to understand the record and series organization of the Guide to Government Records and Special Collections catalog.

### **Workshop 2:**

**Introduction to MDLandRec** with Rachel Frazier, Search Room Coordinator for Reference Services. This workshop will teach you how to locate different types of land records and to trace the history of your land using MDLandRec.

### **Workshop 3 Sponsored by Crowley:**

**Simple Preservation Techniques for Caring for Family Treasures.** A hands on session with Vicki Lee, Jennifer Cruickshank, and Camille DiMarco of the Conservation Lab

This workshop will teach you basic techniques to minimize damage to documents, books and photographs - with tips for other materials as well. We will highlight the use of our Preservation Kit. Preserve your family's history for generations to come!

### **Family Photo Social Media Event Sponsored by Archival Products**

Festival attendees will be invited to take a picture of themselves as part of our Maryland State Archives Family History Festival 2015's family tree. Visitors are encouraged to post their images on social media to share with friends and promote the event. Use #familyhistoryfestival for the event!

## Children's Activities

The Chesapeake Children's Museum will be on hand with fun activities for the whole family including doll-making, Tinker Toy and Lincoln Log construction, and traditional children's games. Maryland Coloring Books will also be available, as well as supplies for children to record their own personal history and make their own beautiful family tree.

## Raffle

Be sure to pick up your free raffle ticket at the information booth to be eligible for our day full of door prize drawings. Prizes include books, prints, gift cards, preservation kits, and more!!!!

## Closing Address

Tim Baker, Maryland State Archivist, will end the day with some closing remarks and the grand door prize drawing.

**Food Trucks are available on the Plaza!**