

Brockville Heritage Pathfinder

Where to find Brockville and area heritage resources and how to access them.

compiled by:

Brockville Museum Brockville Public Library City of Brockville/Heritage Brockville Leeds & Grenville Branch, Ontario Genealogical Society



Welcome to the Brockville Heritage Pathfinder. This directory was created and designed to improve access to historical resources available to the public in the Leeds & Grenville cachement and surrounding areas.

BROCKVILLE MUSEUM

5 Henry Street Brockville, Ontario, Canada K6V 6M4 613 342 4397

museum@brockville.com www.brockvillemuseum.com

Resource Library

- Brockville Directory, 1889-90
- Vernon Directories: 1911, 1913, 1919, 1929-1956, 1961-1980, 1990, 1994
- Subject-based Research Files (containing copies of newspaper clippings and documents relating to Brockville businesses, people, events and places).
- Brockville reference books

Archival Holdings

- Brockville Collegiate Institute Year Books (most years)
- Brockville Public Utilities records
- Brochures, manuals and misc. promotional material from various Brockville companies
- Vernon Directories
- McCormick Collection (ship and shipping records and photographs)
- Blitz Magazine (Officer's Training Camp magazine, WWII)
- Oral Histories
- Curry Collection (documents and photographs by Colonel Frederick Curry)

Photographic Holdings

- George Eland Collection (includes aerial photographs and street scenes)
- Recorder and Times Collection (assorted dates)
- Innis Collection (mostly portraits)
- In addition the Museum has a large selection of photos on various themes and subjects.

BROCKVILLE MUSEUM

Research & Referral Services

Research requests supported by staff and volunteers:

- Research request forms are available online and at the Museum
- Research and information requests may take 2-4 weeks to complete
- A small fee will be charged for research requests that require more in-depth research, staff commitment or retrieval of archival material
- Independent research can be worked on by appointment only

Online Database

The Brockville Museum is making its entire archival holdings available through an online, searchable database. At present, our three-dimensional objects are searchable online. Our database includes detailed information and images of our documents and photographs, and is being added to regularly.

Hours & Fees

Victoria Day Weekend—Labour Day: Mon.-Sat. 10am-5pm (Open Holidays 10am-5pm)

Labour Day –Victoria Day Weekend:

Mon.-Fri. 10am-5pm (Closed on Holidays, except Family Day)

Admission by donation

HERITAGE BROCKVILLE/CITY HALL

Brockville City Hall c/o Office of the City Clerk 1 King St. West, Brockville, Ontario, Canada K6V 7A5 613-342-8772 ext. 420 heritage@brockville.com www.heritagebrockville.ca

Advisory Committee

Heritage Brockville is a committee of volunteers appointed by Council to advise and assist Council by providing expertise on issues related to cultural heritage properties in matters of designation or repeal, alterations, demolition or removal, and easements or covenants.

Committee members can provide advice to heritage property owners seeking to carry out renovations or repairs, and will respond to requests for information and advice via phone or email.

Online Database

Over the years, committee members have researched hundreds of properties and have accumulated a trove of information on Brockville's built architecture, architects, and photographs into their collection.

The Heritage Brockville website provides information and links to:

- List of designated cultural heritage properties
- Brockville architects and their buildings
- The House Detective—researching historic buildings in Brockville
- Ontario Heritage Act
- Ontario Cultural heritage designation and value criteria
- How to use the Land Registry Office

Hours

By appointment

Heritage Brockville Meetings:

First Tuesday of every month, 7:00 pm at City Hall. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

LEEDS & GRENVILLE BRANCH, ONTARIO GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

5 Henry Street Brockville, Ontario, Canada K6V 6M4 **Postal address:** P.O. Box 536, Brockville, Ontario, Canada K6V 5V7 **613-342-7773**

leedsgrenville@ogs.on.ca https://leedsandgrenville.ogs.on.ca

Branch Archives & Library

- Registry Office land abstract title books
- Early L&G land records, with some indexes*
- L&G census records from earliest times through 1921*
- Ontario vital records, indexes & registrations *
- Index to wills held at Registry Offices in Brockville and Prescott
- Some church records* and histories
- Local and family histories
- Historical atlases
- Transcriptions for all known cemeteries in L&G

- United Empire Loyalist material
- Athens Reporter*
- Brockville Recorder, Brockville Times to 1900*
- Gananoque Reporter*
- Prescott Journal*
- "how to" books
- Some school records
- Scrapbooks of births, marriages and deaths for various years
- Duncan Macdonald church records for Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry

*microfilm

Research Services

Volunteers will conduct research for \$20.00 per hour.

Hours & Fees

Meetings:

Brockville Museum, 7:30 PM

Second Monday of February, March, April, May, June, September, November, December. Third Monday in October.

Regular Hours:

Monday to Friday, 1:00 pm - 4:00pm

Victoria Day to Labour Day Hours: Monday to Saturday, 1:00 pm - 4:00pm

> Usage Fees: \$5.00/day | \$25.00/year

BROCKVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

23 Buell Street, Brockville, Ontario, Canada K6V 5T7 613-342-3936

info@brockvillelibrary.ca www.brockvillelibrary.ca

Microfilm

The Library has 712 microfilm reels from August 1833 to December 2008:

- Brockville Recorder: January 1830 to December 1849
- Gazette: August 1828 to December 1832
- Weekly Recorder: January 1830 to December 1874
- Daily Times: September 1882 to June 1884
- Brockville Evening Recorder: November 1873 to February 1918
- Brockville Times: July 1900 to June 1917
- Brockville Recorder & Times: February 1918 to December 2008
- *Note that some of the earliest microfilm reels have missing dates

Historical Reference local history, atlases & rare books

- 179 resource items (some of these books are duplicate copies)
- 75 Vernon Directories from the dates 1913 to 2003
- 2 large (very large) Focus on the district
- old Brockville and area phone books from 1966 to 2008 (42 of them)
- historical booklets on some of the local churches
- some City planning reports
- a few books on Prescott
- 10 copies of Brockville Pictorial History because we are hoarders!
- Local cemetery directories
- Historical atlases—Leeds & Grenville, Lanark & Renfrew, Frontenac Lennox & Addington

E-resources and Databases

- Ancestry.ca
- Recorder & Times on-line

BROCKVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Research & Referral Services

Library Staff will :

- Guide and assist the customer in pursuing research
- Provide informal instruction on how to search and use Library resources
- The Library does not offer a paid research service
- Library staff will "point you in the right direction" through our referral to external sources or suggest other search strategies

Hours & Fees

Monday: 9am-1pm Tuesday-Thursday: 9am-8pm Friday: 9am-5pm Saturday: 9am-5pm Sunday: 1pm-5pm *except some holiday and long weekend Sundays *Some fees apply to printing and scanning services*

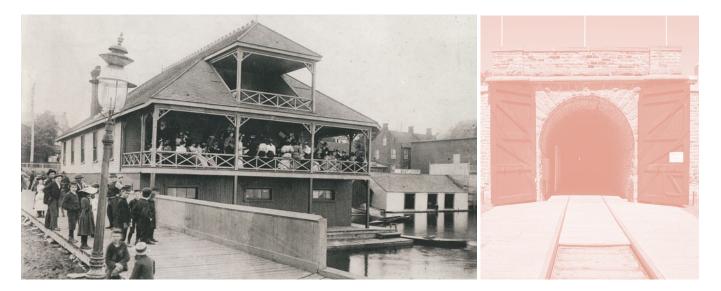
FULFORD PLACE MUSEUM

287 King St. East Brockville, ON K6V 1E1 613-498-3003 fulford@heritagetrust.on.ca http://www.heritagetrust.on.ca/Fulford-Place/Home.aspx

Archives

The Fulford Place Museum archive is a rich resource of local business and family history. It holds many advertisements from around the world for the Pink Pills and other medicines, as well as correspondence between family members, portraits and photographs, films, newspaper clippings, and books from their collection.

Office hours: Monday – Friday, 8am-4pm Open by appointment



Additional Local & Historical Resources

City of Brockville https://brockville.civicweb.net

Leeds and the Thousand Islands Archives

1367 2, Mallorytown, ON KOE 1R0 (613) 659-3785 http://www.ltiarchives.ca/

Grenville County Historical Society 500 Railway Ave, Prescott, ON K0E 1T0 (613) 925-0489 http://www.grenvillecountyarchives.ca/history.html

Ontario Land Registry Office 7 King St W., Brockville ON K6V 3P7Tel: 613-345-5751 https://www.ontario.ca/page/search-land-property-records

Archives of Ontario http://www.archives.gov.on.ca/

The Canadian Heritage Information Network (CHIN) http://www.rcip-chin.gc.ca/

Leeds Heritage Network www.leedsheritage.ca



Brockville Heritage and Local Interest Resources

brockvillehistoryhandbook.wordpress.com/

brockvillehistoryalbum.wordpress.com/

oldbrockvillephotographs.wordpress.com/

issuu.com/doug-m-grant/stacks/

twitter.com/historygent

www.flickr.com/photos/doug-grant/sets/

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2. Brockville Public Library

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4. Fulford Place

287 King St E, Brockville, ON K6V 1E1 (613) 498-3003 <u>http://www.heritagetrust.on.ca/Fulford-Place/</u> <u>Home.aspx</u>