Genealogy Resources in the New Orleans City Archives & Special Collections, New Orleans Public Library

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Who are we?

- Official archives for the records of New Orleans municipal government
- Archives were transferred to NOPL’s care by ordinance in 1946 and incorporated as one of our responsibilities in the City Charter of 1954
- Earliest records in the City Archives date from 1769 Acts and Deliberations of the Cabildo, 1769-1803

Navigating Our Resources

- Our page: archives.nolalibrary.org
- Guide to Genealogical Materials
- Records you must visit to use
  - Petitions, naturalizations
  - Certain court records
  - City and Parish archival records and documents
    - Police
    - City Council
    - Etc.
  - Many local municipally owned cemetery burial records
  - Non-digitized newspapers
  - Building plans
  - Some genealogy books
  - Marriage records 1846-1880 (can order from State)
  - Hospital and church records
- Our records are available physically, digitally, and on microfilm. Each resource is different and is indicated as such on our website.

City Archives Records in Database Services

- FamilySearch.org - free to anyone
  - Provides EXCELLENT Wiki Website guides to finding records in cities, counties, and all 50 states
    - https://familysearch.org/wiki/
  - A few highlighted collections:
    - Louisiana, State Penitentiary Records, 1866-1963 (in progress)
- Louisiana Confederate Pensions, 1898-1950 (images only; complete indexing available at the La. State Archives’ website)
- Union and Confederate Service Records, Louisiana, 1861-1865 (indexing only)
- Louisiana, Orleans Parish Estate Files, 1804-1846 (indexing and images for successions filed in Orleans Parish Court of Probates)
- Louisiana, Orleans Parish Second District Court Successions Files, 1846-1880 (complete only from 1851-1880)
- Louisiana, Orleans Parish Will Books, 1805-1920
- Louisiana, Orleans Court Records, 1822-1880 (docket books & indexes to 19th century Orleans Parish Courts)
- Louisiana War of 1812 Pension Lists (images only)

- **Digital Newspapers**
  - Daily Picayune/Times-Picayune 1837-1988
  - New Orleans Item 1877-1958
  - New Orleans States 1916-1957
  - States-Item 1960-1979
  - Times Picayune & Advocate 1988-Present, 2012-Present
  - Newspapers.com
    - Various Louisiana locations & years
    - You may access these through GenealogyBank.com or Newspapers.com with a private subscription, or you may sign up for a non-resident card for $50/year through nolalibrary.org
    - We also have several newspapers on microfilm only. A list can be found on our website.

- **City Directories**
  - **Online**
    - Orleans Parish USGenWeb page: 1805, 1811, 1822, 1842, 1851 [http://www.usgwarchives.net/la/orleans/directry.htm](http://www.usgwarchives.net/la/orleans/directry.htm)
  - **At NOPL**
    - Availability
      - 1806-1861 – Microfiche
      - 1866-1959 – Microfilm, Ancestry, HeritageQuest
      - 1960-Present – Books, Ancestry, HeritageQuest
    - Some years may be missing or were not published. See Inventory of New Orleans City Directories online for a more detailed listing: [http://nutrias.org/info/louinfo/citydir.htm](http://nutrias.org/info/louinfo/citydir.htm)

- **Obituary Indexing for Orleans Newspapers**
  - Louisiana Biography and Obituary Index, available on our page
  - **Other Free Obituary Indexes**
    - Indexing for Times-Picayune Obituaries, 1972 – present [www.usgwarchives.net/la/orleans/_tpi.htm](http://www.usgwarchives.net/la/orleans/_tpi.htm)

- Orleans Parish USGenWeb page
A nation-wide group of volunteers that provided free genealogy websites for genealogical research in every county and every state of the United States.

- Non-commercial and committed to free genealogy access for everyone—remains up to this day.

- [www.usgwarchives.net/la/orleans.htm](http://www.usgwarchives.net/la/orleans.htm)

- New Orleans city directories: 1805, 1811, 1822, 1832, 1842 and selections from many others
- Times-Picayune Obituary index through 2012
- New Orleans birth certificate index: 1790-1904
- New Orleans death certificate index: 1804-1915
- New Orleans marriage certificate index: 1831-1914
- Excerpts from MUCH MORE

### Vital Records: Birth*, Marriage, Death

- **Vital Records in Orleans Parish & Louisiana**
  - Vital records were not required by La. state law until 1918
  - Older births and deaths are available through the Secretary of State
  - Older Orleans marriages are available through the Secretary of State
  - Other parish marriages are only available through the parish's Clerk of Court
  - Newer births (less than 100 years) and deaths (less than 50 years) are only available to immediate family members through the LA Department of Health
  - Newer marriages (less than 50 years) are exclusively at parish Clerks of Court
  - Some New Orleans records can be found on microfilm at the City Archives, but these are just duplicates of those at the sources above
  - Select parish Clerk records can be found at the Louisiana Clerks Portal (free sign-up): [https://www.laclerksportal.org/](https://www.laclerksportal.org/)

- **Vital Records: Birth Certificates**
  - We don’t hold any birth certificates. You must request them at the following locations:
    - 1790-1913 – Louisiana State Archives ([sos.la.gov](http://sos.la.gov))
    - 1918-present – Office of State Registrar ([ldh.la.gov](http://ldh.la.gov))
    - Before 1918, very few birth certificates were issued outside of Orleans Parish (these records are all at the State Archives)
  - Indexing for New Orleans births (through 1899) is available
    - Ancestry.com and HeritageQuest
    - Orleans Parish page of the US GenWeb Project
    - In the Vital Records Index at the State Archives website – [sos.la.gov](http://sos.la.gov)

- **Vital Records: Death Certificates**
  - 1804-1915 (Orleans Parish) – Available at NOPL on microfilm or through mail via [sos.la.gov](http://sos.la.gov)
  - After 1915 - Louisiana State Archives (death certificates more than 50 years old)
  - Less than 50 years old – Office of State Registrar ([ldh.la.gov](http://ldh.la.gov))
  - Indexing
    - Indexes for New Orleans deaths on microfilm and online on Ancestry.com and HeritageQuest (1804-1949)
• Indexes for New Orleans deaths online at the Orleans Parish page of the USGenWeb Project (1804-1915) usgwarchives.org/la/orleans.htm
• Indexes for Louisiana deaths on microfilm and online on Ancestry.com and HeritageQuest (1900-1949)
• Vital Records Index at the La. State Archives website www.sos.la.gov
  o Information from Death Certificates
    • Form varies over the years, but death certificates from all periods record the same general information:
      • name
      • Place of birth
      • age
      • profession
      • date (and sometimes time) of death
      • place of death.
      • cause of death (usually given after mid-19th century, and almost always, if deceased was a child)
    • For earlier death certificates:
      • parents or spouse of deceased
      • place of birth of parents
      • deceased’s marital status
      • name of person making the declaration of death (in early records, often a spouse or parent)

• Vital Records: Marriage
  o Orleans Parish Justice of the Peace Records, 1846-1880
    • Parents names not given, unless one of the parties was a minor
    • No certificates available unless they were married by justice of the peace
    • Certificates for Catholic marriages can usually be obtained from the Archives of the Archdiocese of New Orleans
  o New Orleans. Recorder of Births, Deaths & Marriages and Board of Health Records, 1870-1915
    • Certificates are included by this time
    • Parents’ names are given
  o New Orleans marriages after 1880 but more than 50 years old are at the Louisiana State Archives sos.la.gov
  o Less than 50 years old must be obtained from the Orleans Parish Clerk of Civil District Court: www.orleanscivilclerk.com
  o Marriages in other parishes remain with the clerks of court in the parish. Some are digitized at www.laclerksportal.org
  o Indexing for Orleans Marriage Records
    • Justice of the Peace Records (1846-1880)
      • Online on the New Orleans City Archives Website http://archives.nolalibrary.org/~nopl/inv/jpmarrindex/jpmarrindex.htm
      • Card file available in-house
    • Board of Health Records
Ancestry.com (1831 - 1920)
Orleans Parish GenWeb http://www.usgwarchives.net/la/orleans.htm
- 1831 – 1899 (Brides)
- 1831-1914 (Grooms)
Microfilm at NOPL (1831-1994)
  - On the State Archives website www.sos.la.gov

Secretary of State Vital Records Index
- www.sos.la.gov > Historical Resources > Research
  - Tip: Just type “Louisiana Secretary of State Vital Records Index” into a search engine such as Google to go directly to the index
  - Has index entries for vital records that are open to the public
  - You can mail order birth, death, and marriage certificates from this website
  - Louisiana did not require vital records certificates until 1918

Catholic Sacramental Records
- Catholic sacramental records are available only through dioceses and churches, and each one has different availability.
- These records often go back MUCH further than civil vital records (late 1700s for New Orleans)
- The Father Hebert Books were transcriptions of many La. diocese’s sacramental records made available in a series of volumes by region
- The most readily available are the records from the Archdiocese of New Orleans. Please visit https://nolacatholic.org/archives and for more.
- The other dioceses in Louisiana are:
  - Diocese of Baton Rouge (remote services available): https://diobr.org/archives
  - Diocese of Houma (please contact): https://htdiocese.org/archives
  - Diocese of Lafayette (please contact): https://diolaf.org/archives

Sacramental and Other Genealogy Books
- All genealogy books in our collection are included in our online catalog: http://www.nolalibrary.org/page/160/library-catalog
- Other Louisiana libraries as well as libraries in states nearby may have holdings. Please check Worldcat.org for local listings from participating libraries
- A selected list of particularly useful titles is on our website: neworleanspubliclibrary.org/guides/genguide/selectedbooks.htm
- If you need books from other places in the U.S., you can request them for order via Inter-Library Loan (“ILL”) by filling out a request form on our website here: http://www.nolalibrary.org/page/133/interlibrary-loan

Burial Records
- A list of municipal cemetery records available in the New Orleans City Archives can be found on our website
- There is NO comprehensive index to all of the cemeteries in New Orleans
- Good websites for finding graves:
- Find A Grave – Louisiana [www.findagrave.com](http://www.findagrave.com)
- [www.saveourcemeteries.org](http://www.saveourcemeteries.org)
- [nolacatholiccemeteries.org](http://nolacatholiccemeteries.org)
- [www.la-cemeteries.com](http://www.la-cemeteries.com)
- Nola.gov/cemeteries

- Because New Orleans is a predominantly Catholic city and was colonized by Catholic countries, many cemeteries are Catholic (though do included protestant burials)
- Because of this, the Archdiocese of New Orleans is an important organization to contact
- Archdiocese of NO Office of Archives and Records
  - [https://nolacatholic.org/archives-and-records](https://nolacatholic.org/archives-and-records)
- New Orleans Catholic Cemeteries
  - [nolacatholiccemeteries.org](http://nolacatholiccemeteries.org)

- If you don’t know the cemetery, ask yourself some of these questions to look for clues that can help you decide what cemetery to try looking at:
  - What was the religion of the deceased?
  - Where did the deceased live?
  - Where are other family members buried?
  - What was the deceased’s race or ethnicity?
  - What were the family’s financial circumstances?

Civil Records and Genealogy Departments in Louisiana Parishes

- Clerk of Court Records
  - Parish clerks of court hold records relating to marriages, conveyance and probate/succession in Louisiana
  - When tracing enslaved ancestors, conveyance and probate records are necessary to trace sales, inheritances, and emancipations
  - Various parishes have shared records on the La. Clerk’s Portal: [www.laclerksportal.org](http://www.laclerksportal.org)
  - Orleans, the Notarial Archives: [www.orleanscivilclerk.com](http://www.orleanscivilclerk.com)
  - Jefferson: [www.jpclerkofcourt.us](http://www.jpclerkofcourt.us)
  - Baton Rouge: [www.ebrclerkofcourt.org/Departments/Archives/Genealogy](http://www.ebrclerkofcourt.org/Departments/Archives/Genealogy)
  - St. Tammany: [www.sttamanyclerk.org/Departments/archives](http://www.sttamanyclerk.org/Departments/archives)
  - Terrebonne (Houma): [terrebonneclerk.org/archives/](http://terrebonneclerk.org/archives/)
  - Calcasieu (Lake Charles): [www.calclerkofcourt.com](http://www.calclerkofcourt.com)
  - Rapides (Alexandria): [www.rapidesclerk.org](http://www.rapidesclerk.org)
  - Caddo (Shreveport): [www.caddoclerk.com](http://www.caddoclerk.com)

- Library Genealogy Departments
  - Jefferson: [www.jpliblibrary.net/reference/genealogy.htm](http://www.jpliblibrary.net/reference/genealogy.htm)
  - Baton Rouge: [ebrpl.libguides.com/BatonRougeRoom](http://ebrpl.libguides.com/BatonRougeRoom)
  - St. Tammany: [www.sttamanyclibrary.org/resources/genealogy/](http://www.sttamanyclibrary.org/resources/genealogy/)
  - Calcasieu: [calcasieulibrary.libnet.info/genealogy-5976](http://calcasieulibrary.libnet.info/genealogy-5976)
  - Shreveport: [www.shreve-lib.org/98/Genealogy](http://www.shreve-lib.org/98/Genealogy)
  - Houma: [mytpl.org/genealogy/](http://mytpl.org/genealogy/)

Orleans Parish Court Records
• Orleans Parish Court Records - archives.nolalibrary.org/inv/courts.htm
  o The Louisiana Division is the repository for the civil (1804-1926) and criminal (1830-1932) court records for Orleans Parish
  o Deposited by the courts in the 1970’s and 1980’s. We retain all that the courts gave us—any records missing today were not included in the original transfer
  o The “genealogically significant” (probate, divorce, emancipations of minors, suits against successions, etc.) civil records have been microfilmed by the Genealogical Society of Utah, and digitized on FamilySearch.org for earlier courts
  o The criminal courts are largely unfilmed
  o Indexing varies from court to court. You will need the court name and at least a date or a docket number to find a case.
  o Depending on the court, you may need to spend time going through chronological docket books to find a docket number.
  o We also have select probate records for 48 additional parishes on microfilm courtesy of the GSU, and these can generally be obtained at any LDS Family History Center (there are several in your city).
  o Photocopies of records from other parishes must be obtained from the clerk of court in each parish. Some items are available on www.laclerksportal.org (must create a free account to access)
• Types of Court Records
  o Wills
  o Successions/Probate
  o Estate Inventories
  o Divorces/Separations
  o Emancipations (of minors and of slaves)
  o Civil lawsuits
  o Criminal cases
• Indexing for Orleans Parish Successions
  o Court of Probates (1804-1846)
    ▪ Available in book form at the Reference Desk
    ▪ Available on our website
    ▪ Available at FamilySearch.org
  o Second District Court (1846-1880)
    ▪ Available in book form at the Reference Desk
    ▪ Available on our website
    ▪ Available at FamilySearch.org
  o Civil District Court (1880-1926)
    ▪ Index for 1880-1903 available in book form at the Reference Desk
    ▪ Available on our website
    ▪ 1904-1926 docket books available on microfilm only
    ▪ May be requested by mail for a fee
    ▪ Please see the court records chart (end of this handout)
• Accessing Court Records
  o If a record is available on microfilm or digitally, that is how it must be viewed.
Many records have deteriorated from physical handling and the natural decay over time of the mediums used. These records have been removed to permanent preservation and are now only released to museums for exhibits.

- When a court record isn’t digitized or on microfilm, there is a process for checking availability and granting access.
  - You must e-mail a request to check availability with the court name, docket number, and defendant to archivist@nolalibrary.org.
  - You should do this around a month before you hope to visit. There is no guarantee that the docket is in the collection, or it may be freely available online.
  - Once the request is received, available staff will be dispatched to go and look through original records manually. This process can take up to 3-4 weeks depending on the case.
  - If the record is found, you will receive a confirmation e-mail that will include the date the record will be available for viewing.
  - Depending on the state of the record, this may be anywhere from 3 days to 2 weeks.
  - You will be notified if we are unable to find the record. We are only able to supply what the Clerk of Court left on deposit, and some records just weren’t given to us in the first place.
  - Record searches are suspended during busy times such as Thanksgiving, Christmas/New Year’s, and other major holidays. Please call (504) 596-2610 10-5, Monday-Friday, or e-mail archivist@nolalibrary.org with any questions.

- Digitized Court Records
  - FamilySearch.org
    - The Orleans Parish wills, successions, and estate inventories, 1804-1880, have been digitized and are (becoming) available at FamilySearch.org.
      - Louisiana, Orleans Parish Estate Files, 1804-1846
        - indexing and images for successions filed in the Court of Probates
      - Louisiana, Orleans Parish Second District Court Successions Files, 1846-1880
        - indexing and images for successions, complete from 1851-1880
      - Louisiana, Orleans Parish Will Books, 1805-1920
      - Louisiana, Orleans Court Records, 1822-1880
        - docket books & indexes to 19th century Orleans Parish Courts
  - You can find links to these digital files within the court records finding aids and/or indexes
  - LouisianaDigitalLibrary.org
    - Many records can be found in collections hosted at the Louisiana Digital Library.
    - They are displayed in LSU’s “Bicentennial Purchase Collection” and their “Free People of Color Collection”.
    - The website can sometimes be slow, but the image quality is exceptional.
This is also the only method for viewing some of the earliest court records, which have been transferred to permanent preservation.

**Bicentennial Purchase Collection**
- Court of Pleas, 1804
- City and County Court Civil Suits, 1804-1813
- County Court Criminal Suits, 1804-1807
- City Court Criminal Suits, 1804-1813

**Free People of Color Collection**
- Parish Court emancipation petitions, 1813-1843
- Free persons of color and slave documents, 1808-1844.
- Indentures, 1809-1843
- Much more

**African American Genealogy Resources**
- New Orleans, Louisiana, Slave Manifests, 1807-1860 are available at Ancestry.com and on microfilm.
- LSU Free People of Color database includes digitizations of many of our and other New Orleans institutions’ records
  - Guide: [https://www.lib.lsu.edu/sites/all/files/sc/fpoc/collections.html](https://www.lib.lsu.edu/sites/all/files/sc/fpoc/collections.html)
  - Images: [louisianadigitallibrary.org/islandora/object/fpoc-p16313coll51:collection](louisianadigitallibrary.org/islandora/object/fpoc-p16313coll51:collection)
- UNCG Race & Slavery Petitions Project
  - [library.uncg.edu/slavery/petitions](http://library.uncg.edu/slavery/petitions)
- African American collections in Ancestry, HeritageQuest, and Fold3
  - [https://www.slavevoyages.org/](https://www.slavevoyages.org/)
  - [http://slavebiographies.org/databases.php](http://slavebiographies.org/databases.php) - features work by prominent New Orleans scholars Gwendolyn Midlo Hall and Brian K. Mitchell

**Immigration and Naturalization Records**
- Immigration Records: Passenger Arrivals
  - New Orleans Passenger Lists, 1820 – 1945 have been fully digitized and are available through Ancestry.com and HeritageQuest (information, without images, available at FamilySearch.org)
  - Passenger arrivals for other ports (New York, for example) can also be found on Ancestry.com and HeritageQuest
  - We do not have any unique passenger lists—all of our microfilm is the same information that is digitized on online services
- Requesting Naturalization Records
  - The City Archives offers search and copy services for New Orleans naturalization records for a small fee
If you send us a copy of your index card (below) from Ancestry.com or HeritageQuest, we will look at the microfilmed court records and mail back a copy. We can also perform the index search for you for an additional fee.

- New Orleans Naturalization records were created in...
  - Orleans Parish civil courts (1828 – 1906)
    - Primarily declarations of intention and certificates, with oaths in some courts
  - Orleans Parish criminal courts (1853 – 1899)
    - Certificates and declarations of intention
  - Indexing for naturalizations in these local courts is available through Ancestry.com and HeritageQuest, 1831-1906 as part of the U.S. Naturalization Records Indexes, 1791-1922
  - U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana (1813 – 1932)
    - Declarations and petitions
  - Indexes available on microfilm (same indexes as available through Ancestry.com and HeritageQuest).

Photograph Collections

- Around 50 collections digitized, with over 10,000 images
- Primarily photographs taken by City Agencies depicting the business of the municipal government of New Orleans
- Available to anyone anywhere, no card
- Searchable
- Two sections, old and new:
  - Old: [http://archives.nolalibrary.org/~nopl/photos/photolist.htm](http://archives.nolalibrary.org/~nopl/photos/photolist.htm)
    - These are in the process of being transferred
  - New: [https://cdm16880.contentdm.oclc.org/](https://cdm16880.contentdm.oclc.org/)

Contact Information:

City Archives & Special Collections
Main Library
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Facebook: [www.facebook.com/loudiv](http://www.facebook.com/loudiv)
YouTube: [https://www.youtube.com/c/archivesnolalibrary](https://www.youtube.com/c/archivesnolalibrary)
Instagram: @noplarchives
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