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Early Bird Discount Ends 17 March for 2020 Family History Conference

FALLS CHURCH, VA, 3 MARCH 2020—Time is running out for family historians to receive a discount on registration for the National Genealogical Society (NGS) [Family History Conference](#) in Salt Lake City, Utah, 20–23 May 2020. After 17 March, the price of registration for NGS members will increase from \$215 to \$250 for all four days. Non-members will pay \$285, up from \$250. Genealogists will also no longer be able to order a printed syllabus or flash drive version of the syllabus. To qualify for the early bird discount, you must register online by 17 March or mail your registration postmarked 17 March.

The conference, “Echoes of Our Ancestors,” will showcase more than [175 lectures](#) featuring a variety of tracks and topics including DNA, heritage, immigration and migration, records, religion, resources and research techniques, and women. In addition to lectures that focus on tracing ancestors of European descent, attendees will discover lectures on African American, Asian, Hispanic, Native American, and Polynesian ancestry. The program will include all levels of genealogical skills from basic to advanced as well as four days of the Board for the Certification of Genealogists® (BCG) Skillbuilding lectures.

The opening session will feature Dani Shapiro, author of *Inheritance: A Memoir of Genealogy, Paternity, and Love*, who has spent a lifetime writing fiction and memoirs about the corrosive power of secrets within families. She stumbled on a secret of her own: her beloved father was not her biological father. As she writes in *Inheritance*, “I always knew there was a secret. What I didn’t know: the secret was me.”

The Family History Expo will host more than seventy-five exhibitors and be open to the public Wednesday through Saturday. Check the website for a [list of exhibitors](#) and the accompanying floor plan.

The NGS Conference will be held at the Salt Palace Convention Center and will run from 20–23 May. For conference information and to register go to the [NGS 2020 Family History Conference website](#).

Registration for [local area tours](#) and [social meal events](#) closes on 17 April 2020. You will not be able to purchase tickets on-site at the conference. Be sure to [sign up](#) as quickly as possible.

Add Items to an Existing Registration

To add meals, tours, workshops, and pre-conference events to your current registration, log on to the [NGS website](#), go to Store>My Account>Purchases >Events>Details>2020 Conference>Add Session.

Founded in 1903, the [National Genealogical Society](#) is dedicated to genealogical education, exemplary standards of research, and the preservation of genealogical records. The Falls Church, Virginia, based nonprofit is the premier national society for everyone, from the beginner to the most advanced family historian, seeking excellence in publications, educational offerings, and guidance in research. It also offers many opportunities to interact with other genealogists.

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