



Join us on your computer or other device for the 14th Annual North Star Genealogy Conference, 1-2 October 2021.

Enjoy nationally acclaimed speaker **D. Joshua Taylor** from the comfort of your home. Join in live moderated discussions. Choose from seven rounds of breakout sessions.

Pitch your questions to the professional genealogists on our "Ask a Genealogist" panel. Visit virtual vendors, vote for your favorite *Minnesota Genealogist* cover photo contest entry, and possibly win one of the great door prizes.

Treat yourself to your own DIY at-home banquet meal before D. Joshua Taylor shares tales of Unusual Research Destinations, and add your virtual applause for MGS service and achievement award winners.

All D. Joshua Taylor presentations, plus 23 breakout sessions, will be recorded for on-demand viewing from October 3 through October 31.

INFORMATION & ONLINE REGISTRATION

Register online at www.mngs.org and pay by credit card, or mail a check to MGS. Registration is online only, \$120 for MGS members, \$140 for non-members.

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2021 North Star
Genealogy Conference

1-2 October, 2021

FEATURED SPEAKERS



D. Joshua Taylor, MA, MLS

is a nationally known and recognized speaker and author on genealogy and family history. Passionate about the diverse and dynamic field of genealogy,

Joshua is the President of the New

York Genealogical & Biographical Society (NYG&B). He also served the genealogical community as the President of the Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS) from 2013-2016 and has been a member of the FGS Board of Directors since 2007. Joshua is the recipient of numerous awards and honors, including RootsTech's Distinguished Presenter Award, the Federation of Genealogical Societies Award of Merit, and the Rubincam Youth Award from the National Genealogical Society. In 2017, Joshua was named as one of Library Journal's Movers and Shakers.

The former Director of Education and Programs at the New England Historic Genealogical Society, Joshua is the author of numerous articles in American Ancestors, UGA Crossroads, FGS Forum, Association of Professional Genealogists Quarterly, New England Ancestors, and other publications. In 2013 he authored "The Keane and Sheahan Families

of Bridgeport, Connecticut," a study of a family's immigration and life in New England after the Irish famine. He is also a coordinator for courses at the Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy and the Genealogical Research Institute of Pittsburgh.

He holds an MLS (Archival Management) and an MA (History) from Simmons College and has been a featured genealogist on Who Do You Think You Are? with Sarah Jessica Parker, Kelly Clarkson, Ashley Judd, Reba McEntire, and Rob Lowe. Joshua can also be seen taking America through their past as a host on the popular PBS series Genealogy Roadshow.

PLENARY SESSIONS

Friday, October 9

Bridging the Gap: Finding Ancestors in the United States between 1780 and 1840

New Tools and Ideas in Research

Saturday, October 10

Online Resources for Colonial America

Printed Legends and Missing Footnotes: Dissecting 19th and 20th Century Compiled

When Dates Disagree: 8 Ways to Resolve Conflicting Details

23 BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Featuring genealogists from Minnesota, Pennsylvania, Colorado and Wisconsin on topics including:

- Homestead & Probate Records
- FamilySearch Wiki
- New technologies
- Navigating War of 1812 Records
- Navigating French language records
- The Women of the Great War
- Fraternal Organizations
- Those Pesky Patronymics
- Methodologies & Mediating Conflicting Sources
- Pre-1850 American Ancestors
- Beyond Ancestry
- Old Settler & Pioneer Organizations:
- City & Rural Directories

Visit mngs.org for full schedule and session descriptions



Friday, October 1

"Unusual Research Destinations: Antiques, Diners, & More"

D. Joshua Taylor, speaker

Have your favorite family meal at home, then enjoy Josh's talk about often overlooked resources. Cap off the evening with loud online applause for our 2021 MGS Service and Achievement Award winners.

Create your own North Star Banquet feast from your own family favorite recipes. Get all dressed up in your ethnic costume – or lounge in your jammies – the choice is yours!

Snap a picture of your home banquet dish or your evening attire and share it on social media and tag **#VirtualNorthStar2021**.

REGISTRATION

Visit our conference page on the MGS website for current rates, and links to register.

www.mngs.org