

Minutes of Standing Committee meeting 2023-03

Local History and Genealogy Section Standing Committee

13 April 2023, 10:00 PM-11:00 PM Tokyo Time (Japan). Via Zoom

1. Approval of minutes of the previous section meeting on 9 February 2023, 10:00 PM-11:00 PM Tokyo Time (Japan).
 - Approval of minutes from 9 February meeting. Approved by Laila; seconded by Cecilia.
2. Roll Call – Member present were: Cherie Bush (Chair), Takashi Nagatsuka (Secretary), Jennifer Brannock(IC), Cecilia Salvatore, Cristina Roiu, Dragan Milosevic, Anna Petronella Coreejas-Brink, Joyce Jelks, Maja Markhouss, Yukiyo Hasegawa, Jingzhu Wei, Laila Hussein, The number of attendees is 12.
3. IFLA 2023 Open Session on AUGUST 21-25, 2023 in Rotterdam
 - This session is currently scheduled for Tuesday, August 22 at 8:30am in room RTM of the convention center.
 - The Call for Papers: Open Session of Local History and Genealogy Section of IFLA, The 2023 WLIC
Theme: "Colonialism and Libraries, Archives, & Museums"
The Local History and Genealogy Section of IFLA is accepting submissions on colonialism and libraries, archives, museums, and universities at the open session of IFLA World Library and Information Congress 2023 in Rotterdam, Netherlands. The impact of colonialism on the people, cultures, and history of the pre- colonial populations is immense. The colonizing empires force their beliefs, languages, and customs on the exploited often erasing or greatly diminishing indigenous ways of life. These changes have an impact on local histories, as well as the larger cultural identity. This panel explores how libraries, archives, museums, and universities collect, explore, and document the histories of colonialism. The theme can be broadly interpreted. All papers should reflect in some way the conference theme: "Let's work, Let's Library; Building a sustainable future through the Sustainable Development Goals."

Each presentation will be 15 minutes and in English. Time for Q&A will be scheduled after the paper presentations.

Important Dates

24 April 2023: Deadline for submission of abstracts

5 May 2023: Notification of acceptance

31 July 2023: Deadline for submission of presenter information and final paper.

7 August 2023: Deadline for submission of slides.

4. Satellite Meeting of IFLA 2023 at the KU Leuven University Library in Belgium on 17-18 August 2023, a Thursday and Friday.
 - Thanks to the committee for their work. Satellite Meeting report by Cristina. KU Leuven University Library in Leuven, Belgium on 17-18 August 2023 (1.5 days).
<https://www.ifla.org/news/call-for-papers-innovative-approaches-in-engaging-people-with-local-history-and-genealogy/>
 - Extended deadline to 15 May. Presenters selected by 30 May. (Jennifer updating date change)
 - Possibility of recorded or streamed sessions.
 - 500Euros of sponsorship from FamilySearch Library, SLC, UT.
 - Need hotel, travel and restaurant information to share with those attending.
 - Cristina meeting with Leuven library soon to discuss details. Will report back next steps.
5. Election of Section Members for the next term 2023-2026. Election will be scheduled from April to May in 2023.
 - We have 7 candidates with 6 open slots. We should have the results of the elections soon. Also our committee elections will be coming up soon.
6. The future plan of Section Webinars:
 - October- South Africa- cemetery project webinar (Petro)
 - If anyone has ideas or suggestions, please email Cherie, Takashi or Jennifer. We will follow up.
7. Additional items :
 - Thanks to Dragan for the information about the National Library of Serbia event. Very interesting. If you know of events in your area, please let us know so we can share with a larger community.
 - American Library Association holding a genealogy day: <https://2023.alaannual.org/>

Program for the genealogy day at ALA:

- Keynote: Tony Burroughs (By the way, I did invite Lou Szucs first. She very graciously declined and we have her to thank for referring Tony Burroughs! He is very excited for this.)
- The Newberry Library – Matt Rutherford (Also tours Thursday 3-4 and Friday 10-11).
- Chicago Public Library – Chloe Waryan & Rob Bitunjac
- Afro-American Genealogical and Historical Society of Chicago – Owindia Marchbanks
- Abraham Lincoln Library – Meghan Harmon

- Illinois State Genealogical Society – Tina Beaird & Byron Holdiman (May be part of larger panel or else broaden scope beyond just the society.)

Is there a local history or genealogy event happening in your country or region? We can help promote it

- Are you aware of a new resource that might benefit libraries? A new book? Website? Help us gather that information so we can share it. Perhaps in a blog post?