Are you interested in creating an oral history project in your community or for your family?

Then this community workshop is for you!

The University of Lethbridge’s Centre for Oral History and Tradition in partnership with the Galt Museum & Archives is offering several practical, hands-on workshops to instruct participants in the practice, ethics, and logistics of oral history interviewing. The workshop leaders are university scholars and museum archivists with professional and scholarly experience in oral history-based research.

The beginner workshop, offered at four venues across Southern Alberta, will be hosted in partnership with Crowsnest Museum & Archives, Crowsnest Community Library, Stavely & District Museum, Claresholm & District Museum, and Esplanade Arts & Heritage Centre in Medicine Hat. A fifth, intermediate workshop that builds upon the beginner workshops, will be held at the Galt Museum & Archives in October.

**Beginner Workshops**

May 27, 2016  I  Galt Museum & Archives

June 10, 2016  I  Crowsnest Community Library

June 11, 2016  I  Stavely & District Museum

Sept. 23, 2016  I  Esplanade Arts & Heritage Centre in Medicine Hat

**Intermediate Workshop**

Oct. 21, 2016  I  Galt Museum & Archives

Registration includes a full day of lectures (lunch & break refreshments included), a workshop package including a booklet with guiding principles and helpful instructional information including links to other resources.

- Recording devices will be provided for practice interviews during the workshop.
- Parking is available for all registered participants.
The Centre for Oral History & Tradition (COHT), founded in 2012 and located at the University of Lethbridge, seeks to further excellence in the practice of oral history in our academic milieu and in the southern Alberta community at large.

COHT helps to identify, establish and assist oral history projects undertaken in southern Alberta in general, and provides links to the outer research world.

For more information about our aims and participating scholars and projects contact our Executive Director:

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Please visit COHT’s website:
http://www.uleth.ca/research/centres-institutes/centre-oral-history-and-tradition

Testimonials from the 2014 Oral History Workshop

“Having the opportunity to actually practice interviews and use the technology was great. The panel of presenters were very honest and approachable. I learned a lot.”

“I appreciate that this workshop was provided to the community and it was so well planned and facilitated.”

“I learned more than I expected. It was a very positive experience.”

“The workshop provided me with a basic overview of the different uses of oral history. I benefitted from learning about the practical challenges that individuals using oral history face.”
Community Oral History Workshops 2016
9:30 - 10:15am  Brainstorming your project: Why do oral history? Who are you going to interview? What is the purpose of your project, including who is your audience? What is the project title?

10:15 - 10:45am  What is Oral History? Purpose, histories, types, and discussion of experience and examples.

10:45 - 11:30am  Building your project and basic practical preparation, including general planning, organizational guidelines, ethics and consent, equipment, technology, and follow-up procedures.

11:30 - 11:45am  Refreshment Break

11:45am - 12:30pm  Partner Practice interviews (be prepared to be interviewed and conduct a brief interview).

12:30 - 1:00pm  Written and Spoken review of the Partner Practice Interviews

1:00 - 2:00pm  Lunch Break

2:00 - 2:20pm  Building Your Project: Practical & Technical Preparations

2:20 - 2:30pm  Alternatives to Transcription

2:30 - 3:00pm  Transcription Exercise

3:00 - 3:30pm  “How To Run A Successful Community Oral History Project.” Lessons Learned from the Coyote Flats Pioneer Village Oral History Project, Winner of the 2015 Governor General’s History Award for Excellence in Community Programming

3:30 - 3:45pm  Refreshment Break

3:45 - 4:15pm  Revising Your Oral History Project: Where do you go from here?

4:15 - 4:30pm  Questions & Workshop results and feedback
Dr. Heidi MacDonald, is an historian of twentieth-century Canada with specializations in Atlantic Canada, the Great Depression, women religious (nuns), and youth. Dr. MacDonald has taught at the University of Lethbridge since 1999 and was chair of the Department of History from 2004 to 2009.

Dr. Jenna Bailey, is a Senior Research Fellow for the Centre for Oral History and Tradition and a Visiting Research Fellow for the Centre for Life History and Life Writing Research (CLHLWR) at the University of Sussex. She is a writer and historian who specializes in 20th century British women’s history, popular music history and oral history. Jenna is the author of the best-selling book *Can Any Mother Help Me?* (Faber, 2007).

Andrew Chernevych, serves as Chief Archivist at the Galt Museum & Archives. He earned a Master of Arts in History from Central European University and a Master of Arts in Folklore at the University of Alberta. His expertise includes archives management, oral history interviewing, preservation of audio recordings; finding aids and public access in archives; Ukrainian Canadian history and culture.

Kimberly Lyall, is an accomplished motivational speaker, facilitator and project manager. She has an extensive background working with organizations worldwide in community development, tourism, marketing and leadership. She believes that everyone has a story, which made her the perfect leader of the award winning Coyote Flats Oral History Project. [www.kimberlyall.com](http://www.kimberlyall.com)

Shannon Ingram, is a first year Master’s student in History at the University of Lethbridge. Shannon is conducting oral histories on the barriers to accessing reproductive health services in Southern Alberta from 1969–1990.
$70/person (+GST)
$25/person (+GST) Seniors and Students

**Beginner Workshops**
For May 27, 2016  |  Galt Museum & Archives
    call 403.320.3954 or 1.866.320.3898 ext. 0
**Deadline May 20, 2016**

For June 10, 2016  |  Crowsnest Community Library
    call Crowsnest Museum at 403.563.5434
**Deadline June 3, 2016**

For June 11, 2016  |  Stavely & District Museum
    call 403.549.0189 or email: jmbmab@gmail.com
**Deadline June 4, 2016**

For Sept. 23, 2016  |  Esplanade Arts & Heritage Centre in Medicine Hat
    call 403.502.8777 or www.tixx.ca
**Deadline Sept. 16, 2016**

**Intermediate Workshop**
For Oct. 21, 2016  |  Galt Museum & Archives
    call 403.320.3954 or 1.866.320.3898 ext. 0
**Deadline Oct. 14, 2016**

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