

Press Release

Early-Bird Discounts Ends 15 March for NGS 2021 Virtual Family History Conference

FALLS CHURCH, VA, 8 MARCH 2021—Only a few days are left for family historians and three representatives from each NGS society or organization to receive a discount on <u>registration</u> for the National Genealogical Society (NGS) Virtual Family History Conference, 17–21 May 2021. After 15 March, the price of registration for NGS 2021 Live! and On-Demand! will increase \$50 across the various <u>packages</u>. To qualify for the early-bird discount, you must register online by 15 March.

Join us on Wednesday and Thursday, 19–20 May, for NGS's premier two-day virtual conference event— <u>NGS 2021 Live!</u>. Speakers include two award-winning authors, Dani Shapiro, author of *Inheritance*, and Ric Murphy, author of *Arrival of the First Africans in Virginia*. Other nationally recognized speakers will join them, including Barbara Vines Little, the keynote speaker for the opening session, Eric Grundset, Thomas W. Jones, Janice Lovelace, Elizabeth Shown Mills, Judy Russell, Craig Scott, and more. The two-day event also features the announcement of winners for NGS awards; the newest genealogical products and services from exhibitors in our virtual expo hall; and drawings for exciting genealogy-related prizes.

In addition to NGS 2021 Live!, NGS offers a choice of either a twenty or forty lecture package on-demand. Those who purchase a package may choose from more than <u>eighty-five on-demand sessions</u> available for viewing starting in June. <u>Program content</u> includes <u>twenty-one bonus lectures</u> provided by conference sponsors and sponsoring organizations.

NGS will host additional events throughout the week. On Monday, 17 May, the Delegate Council Kickoff Workshop focuses on helping delegates understand their role within NGS. Tuesday presents the debut of the <u>SLAM! Idea Showcase</u>, included in all NGS 2021 Live! packages, which highlights creative and innovative projects or programs by societies, libraries, archives, and museums

(SLAMs). The week ends with <u>Focus on Societies</u> on Friday, an all-day event devoted to presentations offering expert advice for society leaders on managing and growing their genealogical or historical society.

Take advantage of the discounted Early-Bird registration fee, plus member discounts, when you <u>sign up</u> by 15 March 2021. NGS societies and organizations should have their representatives contact our Conference Registrar at <u>registration@ngsgenealogy.org</u> to have up to three officers or directors register at the member rate.

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