

## National Archives at New York City and the 1940 Census

The National Archives at New York City celebrates the opening of the 1940 Census.

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The National Archives at New York City welcomes the public to share in celebrating the opening of the 1940 Census in a number of ways.

Attend a workshop on the 1940 Census! We currently offer two upcoming sessions on how to get ready for the opening of the census and then how to research the census once it is officially launched.

Tuesday, March 13	12:30 - 1:30 PM	<b>Exploring the 1940 Census</b> The 1940 Census will be made publicly available on April 2, 2012. Taken during the Great Depression and the New Deal, and on the brink of U.S. involvement in World War II, the 1940 Census documents Americans during a time of national struggle. This workshop will prepare genealogists for this release by describing the genealogical information that can be uncovered in this document.
Tuesday, April 10	12:30 - 1:30 PM	<b>Researching in the 1940 Census</b> <b>The 1940 Census release is the most significant record to be made available to genealogists in a decade. Staff will detail the valuable information found within it by doing a variety of hands on searches. Participants will leave with an understanding of how to research and how to best utilize this wonderfully comprehensive resource.</b>

View additional details at:

<http://www.archives.gov/northeast/nyc/public/workshops.html#workshops>

Join us for our 1940 Census Opening "Open House" at the National Archives at New York City office on April 2, 2012. Details are available at: (and can you link to the attached flyer.)

View our Forties Fridays Facebook posts.

To commemorate the April 2, 2012 release of the 1940 Census, the National Archives at New York City is taking a look at the variety of records we have related to the 1940s. Visit us on Facebook as we post "Forties Fridays" to highlight records from our holdings that intrigues, enlightens, or informs about this milestone decade in history. The public can become a part of this celebration called "Forties Fridays" on the [National](#)

Archives at New York City Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/nationalarchivesnewyork](http://www.facebook.com/nationalarchivesnewyork).

## **WHEN:**

1940 Census Workshops are currently being offered in the New York and New Jersey area. Please visit our programs calendar (link to <http://www.archives.gov/northeast/nyc/public/workshops.html> ) for upcoming dates. If you are part of an organization, association, etc and would like to request a program, please contact us directly at: 866-840-1752 or e-mail: [newyork.archives@nara.gov](mailto:newyork.archives@nara.gov) to schedule a workshop.

Our "Forties Fridays" Facebook posts will launch on March 8, 2012 and run through the 2012 Calendar year.

## **BACKGROUND:**

### **About the National Archives**

The National Archives is the nation's record keeper, home to your history and heritage. The National Archives at New York City contains rare documents, photographs, maps, drawings, and other historic artifacts, from more than 100 Federal agencies in New York, New Jersey, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands. In keeping with our mission to promote civic literacy through our historical documents, we are connecting with our partner, the National Park Service, and many others throughout the metropolitan New York area.

### **About The 1940 Census.**

- The 1940 census will be released online on April 2, 2012. View the countdown and related tips for preparing to research this genealogical gem at: <http://www.archives.gov/research/census/1940/>
- Bookmark this page which will launch the search interface on April 2, 2012 at 9am. <http://1940census.archives.gov/>
- National Archives Announces Website for Free 1940 Census Release Online on April 2, 2012: [1940census.archives.gov](http://www.archives.gov/press/press-releases/2012/nr12-70.html) at: <http://www.archives.gov/press/press-releases/2012/nr12-70.html>

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