

## David Dunlap Observatory

The City of Richmond Hill's Heritage Services Coordinator **Maggie Mackenzie** joins us to talk about the history of the David Dunlap Observatory.

Central / Room A  [Register here.](#)  
Saturday / Sep 14 / 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.


## Five Farmsteads in Queensville

Senior archaeologist **William Finlayson**, This Land Archaeology Inc., returns to the Library to talk about his latest book outlining the archaeological salvage excavations of five early and mid-Victorian farmsteads in Queensville, Ontario. These farmsteads have ties to some of the builders of the Sharon Temple and the Children of Peace.

Central / Room A  [Register here.](#)  
Saturday / Oct 26 / 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.


## The Life and Times of the 127th Battalion (Railway Troops) in WWI

The 127th Battalion was formed in 1916 from the men of York Region. They trained as an infantry unit but by the time they reached France, they had become a new type of force – Railway Troops. Their job was to construct a mobile light railway system to bring troops, ammunition and supplies right up to the front lines. Join **Chris Morris**, Newmarket Historical Society, for a fascinating talk with personal ties to Richmond Hill and other surrounding communities.

Central / Room A  [Register here.](#)  
Saturday / Nov 9 / 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

## Markham 1900 – 2000

In 2017, the Markham Historical Society published the third volume in their series on the history of Markham. **Lorne Smith** will join us to talk about this latest volume and share fascinating and entertaining stories of Markham from the period 1900 – 2000.

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Saturday / Dec 7 / 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

## Ontario Genealogical Society York Region Branch

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Did you know that the Ontario Genealogical Society's York Region Branch holds its regular meetings at Central Library? The Library is a proud partner of the branch and houses their library collection in the Mary-Lou Griffin Local History Room on the 4th Floor. Everyone is invited to attend their free meetings to learn more about the group, meet other local genealogists and to hear great speakers talk on a variety of topics.

### Upcoming Meetings:

Quaker Settlement at Yonge St., Uxbridge and Pickering  
Gordon Thompson and Heather Ioannou  
Central / Room B (drop-in)  
Wednesday / Sep 11 / 7:15 p.m.

Funeral Customs  
Susan Smart  
Central / Room B (drop-in)  
Wednesday / Nov 13 / 7:15 p.m.