







# Elizabeth Swanay O'Neal

GENEALOGIST, WRITER,  
EDUCATOR, SPEAKER

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## Skills

- Research
- Writing
- Public Speaking
- Teaching
- Leadership
- Web Design

## Mission Statement

Family history isn't just a hobby, it's a lifestyle. My goal is to help others find creative, time-saving, low-cost ways to discover their ancestors and make the past part of their present.

## Education

Bachelor of Arts, Social Science  
**University of California, Irvine**

Multiple Subjects Teaching Credential  
**California State University, Bakersfield**

## Genealogical Education

### Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy

- Advanced Evidence Analysis Practicum, 2017, 2021
- Advanced Research Tools: Land Records, 2021
- Advanced Genealogical Methods, 2021

### Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy, Academy for Professionals

- Writing and Documenting for Peer Review, 2021

### Mastering Genealogical Proof

- Certificate of Completion, 2015

### Forensic Genealogy Institute

- Master Practicum, 2015

### National Institute on Genealogical Research

- Certificate of Completion, 2010

### ProGen Study Group

- Group 2, Certificate of Completion, 2010

### Daughters of the American Revolution





- Genealogical Education Program, Levels 1, 2, and 3
- DNA and the DAR



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## Leadership Roles

### Association of Professional Genealogists

- President, Southern California Chapter, 2021–present
- President, Second Life Chapter, 2016–2018

### Second Life Virtual Genealogical Society

- President, 2020–present
- Vice President, 2018–2020

### Santa Barbara County Genealogical Society

- Education and Programs Director, 2022–present
- Programs Director, 2021–2022
- 1st Vice President, Programs, 2019–2021

### NGSQ Study Groups

- Director, 2019–present

### Genealogical Speakers Guild

- Secretary, 2019–2021

### ProGen Study Group

- Coordinator, Group 9, 2010–2012

### Daughters of the American Revolution

- National Chair, Volunteer Information Specialists
- National Chair, Congress Online
- Genealogy Consultant

## Affiliations

### Professional & Genealogical

- Association of Professional Genealogists
- Genealogical Speakers Guild
- National Genealogical Society
- Utah Genealogical Association
- Santa Barbara County Genealogical Society
- Toastmasters International

### Lineage Societies





- Daughters of the American Revolution
- Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War
- Daughters of Indian Wars
- Dames of the Court of Honor
- United States Daughters of 1812 (Past Organizing Chapter President)



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## Recent Lectures

- Association of Professional Genealogists
- Federation of Genealogical Societies
- *Genealogy In Action*
- Glendora Genealogical Group
- Legacy Family Tree Webinars
- Minerva Club
- Minnesota Genealogical Society
- RootsTech Connect
- RootsTech Conference (Salt Lake City)
- Santa Barbara County Genealogical Society
- Seattle Genealogical Society
- Southern California Genealogical Society
- Sun City Genealogy Club
- Texas State Genealogical Society Conference
- The Villages Genealogical Society
- Utah Genealogical Society's ProTalk Webinar Series
- Ventura County Genealogical Society
- Virtual Genealogical Association
- VIVID PIX Webinar Series
- Wisconsin State Genealogical Society

## Awards

### **C.A.R.-SAR Silver Medal of Appreciation**

Monterey Bay Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution

### **Martha Washington Award**

Silicon Valley Chapter Sons of the American Revolution

### ***Family Tree Magazine***

"Top 40" Blog, 2011, 2010