



St. Louis Genealogical Society

Thirty-First Annual

FamilySearch Library—Salt Lake City Research Trip

29 September–6 October 2024

Trip leaders: Karen Goode and Ilene Murray

Spend a week at the world's largest genealogy library in Salt Lake City, Utah. Your Research Week includes:

- ★ Preliminary meeting during the summer with group leaders and other participants at the StLGS office or via Zoom for out-of-towners
- ★ Instruction on the library's catalog and the FamilySearch website at the pre-trip meeting
- ★ Seven nights at the Salt Lake Plaza Hotel adjacent to the FamilySearch Library
- ★ Six full days of research at the world's largest genealogy library including access to many records that are unavailable elsewhere
- ★ Monday orientation tour of the library and surrounding area
- ★ Individual consultations with group leaders and experts, including translators, at the library throughout the week
- ★ Sunday evening group meal and genealogy roundtable during the week



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**Limited number of participants. Register early!
Read on for specifics.**



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Why travel with StLGS?

- ★ Take advantage of discounted rates that come with group travel.
- ★ Stay right next door to the library so you can come and go at your own pace.
- ★ Profit from the group leaders' forty-plus years combined experience in working at the FamilySearch Library.
- ★ Receive one-on-one assistance from the group leaders both before the trip and during the week.
- ★ Learn from others in the group as you make new friends during the week.

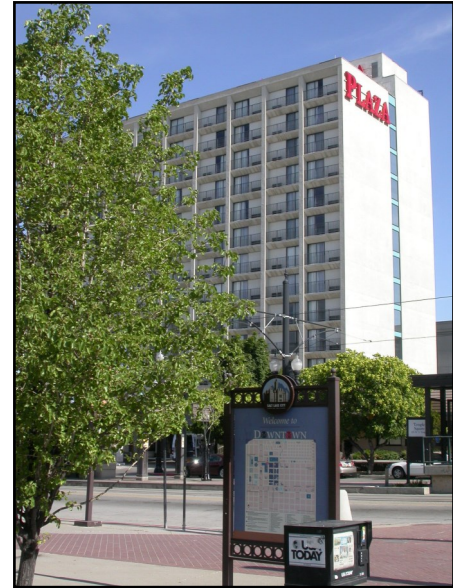


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No, it's NOT all on the Internet!

Millions of records are available on computer, microfilm, microfiche, and in books from all over the world at the FamilySearch Library. ***Some of those can ONLY be accessed from that location because of copyright restrictions.*** While you are there, you will have the opportunity to copy actual images of vital records, deeds, wills, land, military, and tax records, either digitally or in print. It's like being in hundreds of courthouses and libraries all at once!



Salt Lake Plaza Hotel

The Salt Lake Plaza Hotel is next door to the Family History Library. Within the hotel is a breakfast area featuring casual breakfast fare at reasonable prices and a "Grab and Go" snack area with food available for purchase all day. All rooms have coffee makers, hair dryers, refrigerators, microwave ovens, and free high-speed internet access. A gift shop in the lobby sells snacks, and on the lower level you will find a small exercise room and a guest laundry room.

Abravanel Hall, the home of the Utah Symphony, is across the street. A station for the TRAX, Salt Lake's light rail system, free in the downtown area, is in front of the hotel. A short walk across the street from the hotel to the east is Temple Square, and to the north of that, the huge, eye-opening Mormon Conference Center. Just a block away is a beautifully landscaped residential-retail complex called City Creek, with dozens of stores and restaurants. Harmon's, a full-service grocery store, is just past City Creek.

Prior to the Trip

At a **preliminary meeting** during the summer at the StLGS office or via Zoom, you will **meet with the trip leaders and others going on the trip**, see a short **slide show**, receive a **booklet** to help you in your preparation, and have many of your **questions answered**. Part of that meeting will be devoted to instruction on using the FamilySearch website, including the catalog and the wiki. Booklets will be emailed to those who cannot attend the planning meeting. Between July and October, a trip **electronic mailing list** will deliver updates to your email inbox, allow you to ask questions, and maintain contact with the leaders as you plan your adventure. This will also help our out-of-towners stay connected with everyone from St. Louis.

During the Week in Salt Lake City

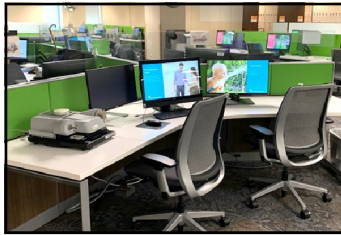


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Your experienced tour leaders will be available to assist you before you go and while you are in Salt Lake City. Although they cannot do your research for you, they will be happy to give you guidance, help you with research problems, and show you how to use the equipment in the library. Every morning and throughout the days, they will be on call in the library for one-on-one questions and answers. In addition, they can point you in the right direction for meals, sightseeing, concerts, and more.

The FamilySearch Library has millions of records from all over the world. Within the library, you will find hundreds of books and digital files, microfilms, and microfiche, of vital records, court records, land records, and much more

Frequently Asked Questions

Is airfare included? No, you need to book your own flight. We typically have people flying from all over the country, so it is more efficient that you take care of your own travel needs. Nancy Mettes, StLGS member and travel agent for our society, can help you with arrangements, if you like. Call Nancy at Travel Leaders, 314-995-9420 or 800-999-6101.

How do I get to the hotel from the airport? The hotel does not provide shuttle service, but many options exist for transportation to and from the airport. If you are able/willing to walk a bit after you get your suitcase, there is a TRAX station at the airport. For \$1.25 (over 65) or \$2.50, you can hop on the light rail and arrive at the front door of the hotel (Temple Square). Uber, Lyft, and multiple cab and shuttle services are also available. You can read more at <https://slairport.com/parking-and-transportation/ground-transportation/>.

What about food? Meals and incidentals are not included in the package price, except for Sunday's dinner. All participants are free to determine their own meal times and places. There are many restaurants in varying price ranges within three blocks of the hotel and library, and the leaders can help you make decisions on where to eat. At this time, there is no restaurant in the hotel, although that may change. Any incidental hotel costs, such as food delivery or taxi rides, are the responsibility of the individual and **must be settled prior to checkout**.

Can I arrange for extra nights? We can book extra nights for you, based on availability, if you let us know when you register if you will need them. You will be responsible for paying the hotel directly for any additional nights. ***Please let us reserve extra nights for you rather than booking yourself so we can ensure you receive group rates!***

Land Package 2024

Package includes hotel room for seven nights in Salt Lake City, Sunday night dinner at the hotel, research assistance throughout the week, and a pre-trip meeting in August. **Limited number of participants. Register early!**

Prices for 2024

We offer the best value for your money of any major genealogical group’s tours!

Rates per person are as follows:

Double Room Occupancy

StLGS Members	before 30 June 2024	\$1,080	1 July and after	\$1,180
Non-members	before 30 June 2024	\$1,180	1 July and after	\$1,280

Single Room Occupancy

StLGS Members	before 30 June 2024	\$1,310	1 July and after	\$1,410
Non-members	before 30 June 2024	\$1,410	1 July and after	\$1,510

Bringing a non-researching companion? You pay the single rate plus a \$200 supplement, which also includes Sunday dinner for your companion.

Please Note: There is no indoor smoking in any facility in Salt Lake City. Therefore, smoking is not allowed anywhere in the hotel.

30 June 2024.....Deposit due: \$100 per person
3 August 2024Balance of land package due

Cancellation Policy

Any booking cancelled before 3 August will incur no penalty. Any cancellation 3 August or after will result in forfeit of the deposit. After 1 September, no money can be refunded unless the room space is filled.



If you are interested, please fill out the form below & send it in with your deposit.

Enclosed is my deposit of \$100 for the Salt Lake City research trip. Final payment is due by 3 August 2024. By participating in this research trip, I agree that the St. Louis Genealogical Society and the group leaders will not be held responsible for any damage, injury, loss, accident, delay, or irregularity in connection with any service resulting from acts of God, fire, breakdown of machinery or equipment, cancellations of or changes in itinerary or schedules, or from any causes beyond the control of the St. Louis Genealogical Society and/or its group leaders.

Name (Please print) _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Email _____

Hotel Accommodations Single Room
 Double Room (Room with _____)

Deposit of \$100 per person included. Questions? Email: slctrip@stlgs.org

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