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 Discover the fascinating stories of Glasgow and its people.

# glasgow's archives

**Family History:** A wonderful documentary heritage of Glasgow and the west of Scotland to help you make connections with your ancestors.



OF GLASGOW POLICE FORCE

Date of Reports against, and remarks in favour of

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26 56	Drunk.
9 58	Found in a Public House.
6 .	Improper Conduct.
11 57	Bringing in a Cask with beer
1 58	Drunk
met 4 10	Striking a constable
5 61	Absent from Roll
12 62	Apprehending a man without leave
8 64	Absent from Roll Call
" "	Disorderly & Insolent in a
10 67	House of liquor
1 70	Fighting with a constable
met 2 "	House of liquor & Disorderly
day 14 71	Drunk
February 14 63	Apprehending a man
October 17 57	Apprehending a man
August 26 57	Apprehending

## church records:

- Church of Scotland
- Seceding Churches
- Episcopal Church
- Baptists
- Congregationalists
- Evangelical
- Methodists
- Unitarian

# the archives

The City's Archives has many records to help the family historian progress beyond the basics. They allow you to add vital genealogical information and to connect and identify with your ancestors, as you discover details of their daily lives and times.

These include official records of the various Councils: Glasgow, Strathclyde and the counties of Bute, Dunbartonshire, Lanarkshire and Renfrewshire.

**Poor law records** including more than 1 million applications for poor relief for Glasgow and for other areas of west of Scotland, some dating from 1845. They give: name, age, place of birth, religion, occupation, spouse, parents and parents-in-laws, dependants, and former addresses.

**School records** of more than 300 school board or local authority schools, mainly Glasgow, but also some for the county areas. They date mainly after 1872 and include: pupil admission registers, giving name, date of birth, address, name of guardian, dates of admission and leaving, the head teachers' diaries or log books, which describe daily life in the school.

**Police records** of those who served in one of the forces within Strathclyde from the 1820s to 1985. These include the records of Glasgow police and for various forces within Dunbartonshire, Lanarkshire, Renfrewshire and Bute. The registers may include: name, age, place of birth, date of

appointment, marital status and number of children, addresses and career details.

**Sasine registers** relating to the transfer of heritable property (land or buildings) by inheritance or purchase. These include the original records for Glasgow Burgh, a small area within the old city centre, from 1694-1927, and printed abstracts for the other areas of Strathclyde from 1781-1970s.

**Valuation rolls** recording proprietors and tenants of property, including some 18th-19th century county valuation rolls.

There are also some 19th century annual rolls, and 20th century annual rolls for Glasgow, Argyll, Dunbartonshire and Renfrewshire.

**Voters' rolls** recording those eligible to vote in Glasgow from 1832, and also 20th century rolls for Dunbartonshire and Renfrewshire. The early rolls include: name, occupation, address and details of holding (whether tenant or proprietor).

**Burgess rolls** for Glasgow (printed to 1846) but continued in manuscripts thereafter, with indexes.

## private records for family history include:

- Merchants and Trades House includes 18th-20th century membership records for the Merchants House, Trades House and for all of the individual crafts, e.g. gardeners, masons
- Landed families and estates include rent rolls, leases, and tacks relating to tenants, as well as details of estate workers, many dating from 18th century
- Business records of all kinds from large shipbuilding and engineering works to small shopkeepers, some of which include personnel records
- Law firms and the records of thousands of their clients, including large numbers of trust books.



# services

The public searchroom has a large number of finding aids, including databases for the family historian, as well as paper catalogues and indexes of most of our holdings. You can also access summaries of many of our catalogues online at [www.scan.org.uk](http://www.scan.org.uk). The duty archivist is happy to help and will point you towards records which will assist with your enquiry. Those undertaking a research project may wish to make an appointment with an archivist to discuss possible sources. Some records may be closed for 30 to 100 years in line with Data Protection. We can supply photocopies of documents and plans, as well as laser and other photographic services.

**Talks and workshops:** We are happy to talk to groups, either in The Mitchell or elsewhere.

## preservation of historical documents

The Archives exist to preserve and give access to the historical records of Glasgow. We are always keen to accept further gifts and deposits (on long-term loan) of records of historical significance, which will help us understand the ordinary and extraordinary people and events, which helped shape the history of Glasgow.

### Searchroom Opening Hours

Mon / Wed - Sat     9am-5pm  
Tues                    9am-8pm

### Document Productions

Mon / Wed - Fri     9am-1pm, 2pm-4pm  
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