

**Castro Valley Library Genealogy Class Notes**  
3600 Norbridge Avenue, Castro Valley, CA 94546  
1st/3rd Wednesdays 10:30-12:30  
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1. Announcements

- Next Classes in 2025:
  - i) 8 January
  - ii) 15 January
  - iii) 19 February
  - iv) 19 March
  - v) 16 April

2. FamilySearch: OCR and AI

- Optical Character Recognition (<https://www.familysearch.org/en/blog/optical-character-recognition-indexing>)
- Artificial Intelligence (<https://www.familysearch.org/en/blog/ai-developments-genealogy>)

3. YouTube

- Ancestry (<https://www.youtube.com/@AncestryUS>)
- MyHeritage (<https://www.youtube.com/@myheritage>)
- FamilySearch (<https://www.youtube.com/@familysearch>)
- FamilyTreeDNA (<https://www.youtube.com/@familytreedna>)
- Amy Crow Johnson ([https://www.youtube.com/results?search\\_query=amy+crow+johnson](https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=amy+crow+johnson))
- Crista Cowan (<https://www.youtube.com/@CristaCowan>)
- Extreme Genes Radio (<https://www.youtube.com/@ExtremeGenesRadio>)
- Blaine Bettinger (<https://www.youtube.com/@blainebettinger>)
- CeCe Moore ([https://www.youtube.com/results?search\\_query=CeCe+Moore](https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=CeCe+Moore))

4. Re-Visit Genealogy Toolbox

- CVGSG Toolbox
- Free Spreadsheet Applications (<https://spreadsheetpoint.com/best-free-spreadsheet-software/>)