



**NORTH YORK CENTRAL LIBRARY  
CANADIANA READING ROOM**

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**The North York History Collection**

features material on North York Township [1922+], and its predecessors. Key research items are located in this room. Additional items are listed in the North York History Index. This index is a part of the local history module, *Historicity*, on the website. Home computer: enter *Historicity* in the main search box of <http://torontopubliclibrary.ca/>. The result will show *Historicity* with an "Access Online" button. Click this button. This will bring up the Digital Collections page with the *Historicity* link on the right. Library computers: click on "Digital Collections of the Toronto Public Library," and select *Historicity*.

**The North York History Index** has some 35,000 entries for books, articles, photographs and other North York materials. Do a basic keyword search across all local history databases, including North York History.

**The North York History File Collection**

is the most heavily used local history resource. The files contain newspaper or magazine articles concerning specific people, places and events. A paper index is available on top of the Reading Room cabinet containing the files. Files created before 2003 also have entries in the North York History Index on *Historicity*.

**The North York Pamphlet File**

**Collection** includes brochures, flyers and other examples of paper ephemera. Files created prior to 2003 also have an entry in the North York History Index on *Historicity*. The files themselves are located in the Canadiana closed stacks, and can be requested for in-library use at the Reference Desk.

**The Archives** contain about thirty small collections, which are stored in the closed stacks. Archival collections are listed in

the North York History Index on *Historicity*, or ask staff at the Reference Desk for a list.

**The Book Collection** includes hundreds of books, with key items in the North York History bookcase in this room. Additional examples are found in the closed stacks and can be requested at the Reference Desk. Listed in the North York History Index on *Historicity*, as well as in the Toronto Public Library catalogue.

**The Map Collection** includes hundreds of North York and York County maps. A selection is found in the Reading Room map cabinet, next to the elevators, while the rest are in the stacks, and can be requested at the Reference Desk. There is an index to all maps, including North York maps, on top of the map cabinet. Also listed in the North York History Index.

**The Newspaper Collection** includes a considerable number of titles, past and present, including the long running *Enterprise* [1926-1969]. Articles are in the North York History Index on *Historicity*.

**The Photographic Collection** includes over 1000 images. A detailed index is available in a binder on the bottom shelf of the North York History bookshelf in this room. All photographs are also listed in the North York History Index on *Historicity*.

**The Poster Collection** is a relatively new collection of about 100 items. The posters are not yet listed in the North York History Index, so please ask staff for a list.

**The Scrapbook Collection** is scattered throughout the North York book collection in this room. Each scrapbook has its own index. There is also an older index, circa 1990, covering most of the scrapbooks, which can be searched by staff upon request. Not indexed, but well worth consulting, are the many volumes compiled by the North York Historical Society, at the end of the North York History book shelves.

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