

Brittney Lynn Ingersoll

EDUCATION

M.A. American History with a Certificate in Public History at Rutgers University, Camden (Passed with Distinction) (May 2018)

B.A. History from Rutgers University, Camden (May 2016)
Minor in European Studies

A.A. History from Cumberland County College (2011-2014)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Curator, Cumberland County Historical Society (October 2018 – Present)

Accessioning, cataloging and processing of new acquisitions, primary source documents and secondary sources. Pulling books and documents for researchers. Operates and maintains the society's social media. Research for exhibits and articles for the society's newsletter. Reorganized and maintains membership. Plans and coordinates society events. Trains new staff and volunteers. Taught workshops on archival practices, writing history, and hearthside cooking.

History Resident, Center for Historic American Building Arts [CHABA] (November 2020-November 2021)

Two research projects that will be presented as formal talks for CHABA's social media accounts. Routine research on items that pertain to the Cumberland Nail and Iron Works for CHABA's Instagram account. Monthly prompts to generate interest in the history of Bridgeton, NJ for CHABA's social media accounts.

Records Management Assistant, The Warren and Reba Lummis Genealogical and Historical Research Library at the Cumberland County Historical Society (2013 – 2018)

Accessioning, cataloging and processing of new acquisitions, primary source documents and secondary sources. Pulling books and documents for researchers. Created an Instagram and Twitter for the society and maintains the social media. Research for exhibits and articles for the society's newsletter. Currently in the process of working with JoyceMedia about redoing the society's website and making the society's collection searchable through the website. Working on redoing membership to expand the Society's members. Experience with Past Perfect and Microsoft Office.

Fellow, Rutgers University, Camden, (September 2016 – May 2018)

Grading student papers and exams and maintaining a grade book for Western Civilization I (Fall 2016). Grading student papers and exams, keeping attendance, and leading student discussion

groups for Western Civilization II (Spring 2017). Grading student papers and exams, and keeping attendance for American History I (Fall 2017 and Spring 2018)

OTHER RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

Volunteer, In Her Own Right Metadata Enhancement Event, (March 27, 2020).

Read through digitized archival material and listed the locations mentioned in the documents in a google excel sheet.

Co-Chair, Cumberland County Historical Society's Christmas in Greenwich, (December 2018 - Present)

Organized event, scheduled meetings, and reached out to home owners, crafters, churches, and re-enactors regarding participation. Made up map and handouts for patrons attending the event. In addition, to helping with any miscellaneous problems that arose throughout the planning and day of the event. Sent out thank you letters to all the participants after the event.

Volunteer, Researcher, The Library Company of Philadelphia (June 2017 – August 2017)

Searching for books and going through the archives at the Library Company of Philadelphia and the Historical Society of Pennsylvania to research topics for the Library Company of Philadelphia

Chairperson, Hearthside Dinners, Cumberland County Historical Society, (2017 - Present)

Organized and oversaw all aspects of the event; scheduled meetings and assisted with the cooking.

Volunteer, New Jersey History Day hosted by Rutgers Camden University, (March 2017 - Present)

Assisted in directing students and parents around the campus and to specific events throughout the morning (March 2017). Helped with setting up, registered students, and assisted in directing students and parents around the campus and to specific events throughout the morning (March 2018). Discussed and judged the contestants' projects. (March 2019)

Hearthside Cook, Cumberland County Historical Society's "Christmas in Greenwich, (2015 – 2017).

Cooking on the hearth in colonial clothing and answering visitors' questions regarding the Gibbon house and the cooking.

Hearthside Cook, Cumberland County Historical Society's Craft Faire, (2015 – 2017).

Cooking on the hearth in colonial clothing and answering visitors' questions regarding the Gibbon House and the cooking.

Volunteer, “A Re-Union of Interests,” the 16th Annual Program in Early American Economy and Society (PEAES) Conference, at the Library Company of Philadelphia (October, 2016)

Assisted in registration of attendees and was on hand to answer questions regarding conference logistics.

Volunteer, Vineland Historical and Antiquarian Society, (2012 – 2014)

Catalogued books, daguerreotypes, photographs, and tintypes. Designed an exhibit on fashion, using different articles of clothing, accessories, and articles from *Godey's Lady's Book*.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Board Member, Cumberland County Historical Society Board of Trustees, (December 2018 – Present)

Attend Board of Trustees meetings. Aid in governing the historical society through discussion and voting in new policies.

Chairperson, Cumberland County Historical Society Collection Policy Committee, (October 2018 – Present)

Research and write a collection policy/policies that meet the needs of all the museums of the Cumberland County Historical Society.

Member, Library Committee, The Warren and Reba Lummis Genealogical & Historical Research Library (2018 – present).

Aid in decision making for the daily operations of the library and the coordinating of events that the library may be hosting.

Freelance Research Assistant, New Jersey, (June 2018 – September 2018)

Visiting archives, photocopying documents, and collecting information for private researchers.

Co-founder, Graduate History Club/Working Group – Poor Richard's Junto, Rutgers Camden (2016).

Worked to get other students together and formed a board. Aid in planning events.

Regular attendee of the Rutgers Camden Lee's Seminar (2016 – May 2018)

Read pre-circulated research paper and discussed the paper.

Secretary, Rutgers Camden History Club, November (2015 – May 2016)

Took notes during meetings and emailed professors and students about planned events.

RELEVANT CLASSES AND GRADUATE COURSES

Mold: Prevention, Detection, and Recover, Conservation Center for the Art & Historic Artifacts (CCAHA) (February 1, 2019)

The class demonstrated how to prevent, detect, and remove mold from museum collections.

Internship: Cumberland County Historical Society - The Warren and Reba Lummis Genealogical & Historical Research Library (Fall 2017)

Scan/digitize the John G. Keyser Civil War sketches and placed them in historical order. Wrote up a finding aid for the sketches. Accumulated the sketches into a book. Scanned and put together the cover of the book, researched and wrote the introduction, and formatted the book. I also digitize the book *History of the Twenty-Fourth Regiment* by James J. Reeves, and sent both books out to the printer.

Care of Paper: Techniques and Materials for Handling and Transport, Conservation Center for the Art & Historic Artifacts (CCAHA) (November 30, 2017)

The class consisted of the correct way to handle historical paper, the different types of damages that can occur over time and how to handle documents that possess certain damages.

Archives and Records Management, Rutgers University Camden, (Spring 2016)

Worked with other graduate students and Special Collections librarian to process and re-house the Nicholas Virgilio Papers, a well-known haiku poet. The process took twenty-one hours to complete. The readings from the course aided in process of organizing the collection that consisted of three boxes of papers that Virgilio seemed to have built up over a time span of about twenty years. Then I wrote a report explaining the process and the reasoning behind our decision-making, contextualizing it with class readings on archival theory and practices.

PUBLICATIONS

Books

John G. Keyser: Sketchbook with Sketches from the Battles of Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville 1862-1863, (2017)

Responsible for compiling the book based on original archival collections; organized and curated images; wrote introduction. The book was done for an internship with the Cumberland County Historical Society.

Articles

“Showman Otis G. Bellows’ Indian Shows and Minstrel Troupe of Bridgeton, 1850-1895” in the *Vineland Historical Magazine*, (Winter 2020)

“Aspirational News: *Woman’s Edition of the Daily Pioneer* and the Presbyterian Improvement Society in Bridgeton, NJ 1898” in the *SoJourn: A journal devoted to the history, culture, and geography of South Jersey*, (Summer 2020).

“Casting the Ballot: The Anniversaries and Realities of the 15th and 19th Amendments, 1776-1956” in the *Cumberland Patriot*, Cumberland County Historical Society’s Newsletter, (Fall, 2020).

“2019 Cumberland County Historical Society Annual Business & Dinner Meeting: Harriet Beecher Stowe” in the *Cumberland Patriot*, Cumberland County Historical Society’s Newsletter, (Winter, 2020).

“Literary Figures and Their Connection to Cumberland County, NJ” in the *Cumberland Patriot*, Cumberland County Historical Society’s Newsletter, (Fall, 2019).

“BYOB at Mom’s: Beer Parties and Illicit Behavior at “Mom” Cook’s House, Bridgeton, NJ 1904-1911” in the *Cumberland Patriot*, Cumberland County Historical Society’s Newsletter, (Fall, 2019).

“Constructing History: The Use of Memory in Writing History,” co-authored, in the *Cumberland Patriot*, Cumberland County Historical Society’s Newsletter, (Spring, 2019).

“The Bridgeton High School Riots of 1971,” in the *Cumberland Patriot*, Cumberland County Historical Society’s Newsletter, (Spring, 2019).

“Paupers & Patients: The Souls of Cumberland County Potter’s Field,” in the *Cumberland Patriot*, Cumberland County Historical Society’s Newsletter, (Winter, 2018).

“Bridgeton’s Mayor of Reform: Mayor E. Milford Applegate 1894-1898” in the *Cumberland Patriot*, Cumberland County Historical Society’s Newsletter, (Fall, 2018).

“The Notorious Dolan Family of Bridgeton 1896-1898” in the *Cumberland Patriot*, Cumberland County Historical Society’s Newsletter, (Fall, 2018).

“Celebrating Black History Month: William Steward and Mary Felts Dixon of Cumberland County,” in the *Cumberland Patriot*, Cumberland County Historical Society’s Newsletter, (Spring, 2018).

“Dear Betsey... Collection of Elizabeth Beatty Fithian Letters,” in the *Cumberland Patriot*, Cumberland County Historical Society’s Newsletter, (Spring, 2018).

“Digitization of the John G. Keyser Civil War Sketch Collection” in the *Cumberland Patriot*, Cumberland County Historical Society’s Newsletter, (Spring, 2018).

“Mysticism of Photography: The History of Photography 1839-1836,” in the *Cumberland Patriot*, Cumberland County Historical Society’s Newsletter, (Fall, 2017).

“John Cheesman: The Newspaper Man Who Caught the Bullet,” in the *Cumberland Patriot*, Cumberland County Historical Society’s Newsletter, (Summer, 2017).

“Cheesman’s Paper: The History of the *New Jersey Patriot*,” in the *Cumberland Patriot*, Cumberland County Historical Society’s Newsletter, (Summer, 2017).

“Books: Small and Large,” in the *Cumberland Patriot*, Cumberland County Historical Society’s Newsletter, (Summer, 2017).

“Bookplates, Marbling and Scrapbooks – Exhibits Showcasing the Ephemera of the Past” co-authored, in the *Cumberland Patriot*, Cumberland County Historical Society’s Newsletter, (Spring, 2017).

“A Forgotten Newspaper of South Laurel Street,” in the *Cumberland Patriot*, Cumberland County Historical Society’s Newsletter, (Fall, 2016).

“The Victorian Fashion of Hair Memorabilia,” in the *Cumberland Patriot*, Cumberland County Historical Society’s Newsletter, (Spring, 2016).

PRESENTATIONS

“Aspirational News: *Woman’s Edition of the Daily Pioneer* and the Presbyterian Improvement Society in Bridgeton, NJ 1898” Invited discussion with the Book Group of the Church of the Resurrection, (October 30, 2020).

“Advertising Masculinity: 19th Century Manhood and Brothel Guides” Invited Live Stream discussion with The Tattooed Historian, (May 20, 2020).

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xRp-gi_7UQ8

“Treating Vineland’s Prostitutes: Disorderly Houses and the State School for Feeble Minded Women 1861-1900,” Invited Talk for the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) at the Vineland Historical & Antiquarian Society, Vineland, NJ, (October 14, 2019).

“Treating Vineland’s Prostitutes: Disorderly Houses and the State School for Feeble Minded Women 1861-1900,” Invited Talk for the Vineland Historical & Antiquarian Society, Vineland, NJ, (April 13, 2019).

“Newspaper Ladies & The Messy History of Feminism in Bridgeton, NJ 1890 – Present” Invited Talk for the Greenwich Presbyterian Church, Greenwich, NJ (February 22, 2019).

“Illuminating Seraglios: Brothel Guides as a Literary Device,” Invited Talk for the Cumberland County Historical Society, Greenwich, NJ, (May 19, 2018).

“Home Economy of the 18th Century in Greenwich, New Jersey,” Tour held by the Cumberland County Historical Society for the Delaware Colonial Dames, Greenwich, NJ (April 19, 2018).

“Illuminating Seraglios: Brothel Guides as a Literary Device,” Celebration of Graduate Research and Creative Activity (CGRCA), Rutgers University, Camden, NJ, (April 10, 2018).

“Illuminating Seraglios: Brothel Guides as a Literary Device,” Invited Talk for The 23rd Annual Barnes Club Graduate Student History Conference, Temple University, Philadelphia, PA, (March 24, 2018).

“Illuminating Seraglios: Brothel Guides as a Literary Device,” Invited Talk for Poor Richard’s Junto: Rutgers Graduate History Club, Rutgers University, Camden, NJ, (February 2018).

“The Real Story of Halloween,” Invited Talk for The Church of the Resurrection, Millville, NJ, (October 2017).

CURATED EXHIBITIONS

“Casting the Ballot: The Anniversaries and Realities of the 15th and 19th Amendments, 1776-1956” (July 2020 – September 2020)

“The Agreeables: ‘A Club of Young Women from Gouldtown’” (February 2020 – March 2020)

“Detecting Counterfeit” at the Cumberland County Historical Society (October 2019 – December 2019)

“Cumberland County, Home to National and International Authors,” at the Cumberland County Historical Society (April 2019 – August 2019)

“The First Women of Cumberland County,” at the Cumberland County Historical Society (March 2019-April 2019)

“The Bridgeton High School Riots of 1971,” at the Cumberland County Historical Society (January 2019-March 2019)

“Complicated History of Sears & Roebuck,” at the Cumberland County Historical Society (December 2018-January 2019)

“Paupers & Patients: The Souls of Cumberland County Potter’s Field,” at the Cumberland County Historical Society (September 2018 –November 2018)

“Shhhh... Secret Organizations of Cumberland County” at the Cumberland County Historical Society (June 2018 – August 2018)

“Remember the Ladies’: Women in American History” at the Cumberland County Historical Society (March 2018 – June 2018).

“Individuals of Cumberland County: Celebrating Black History Month,” at the Cumberland County Historical Society (January – February, 2018).

“Mysticism of Photography: The History of Photography 1839-1836” at the Cumberland County Historical Society (2017).

“Books: Small and Large” at the Cumberland County Historical Society (2017).

PROFICIENT IN

Facebook

Instagram

Microsoft Office

PastPerfect

Twitter

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

National Coalition of Independent Scholars (2019-Present)

Cumberland County Historical Society (2019-Present)

Women Also Know History (2018-Present)

<https://womenalsoknowhistory.com/individual-scholar-page/?pdb=3083>

Society for Historians of the Early American Republic (SHEAR) (2017-Present)

Delaware Valley Archivists Group (DVAG) (2016-Present)

AWARDS

Spring 2018, Dean’s Graduate Conference Travel Grant, Rutgers University (Camden, NJ)

Spring 2018, History Fellow Tuition Credit, Rutgers University (Camden, NJ)

Fall 2017, Dean’s Graduate Research Grant, Rutgers University (Camden, NJ)

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