



## TIMELINE AND HISTORY

Below is a timeline of ACA events. An interactive timeline of events can be found [here](#).

A list of past Board members can be found on the Board of Directors page. Consult the *Archivaria* Awards page and the ACA Awards page for award recipients and ACA Fellows.

### Accomplishments over Time

1975	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ACA constitution ratified at the last meeting of the Archives Section of the CHA in Edmonton</li> </ul>
1976	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Published first issue of <i>Archivaria</i>, edited by Peter Bower</li> <li>• Published first issue of <i>Archives Bulletin</i>, edited by Linda Johnson</li> <li>• Held first annual conference in Quebec City</li> <li>• Co-founded the Bureau of Canadian Archivists with the AAQ</li> <li>• A Guidelines Toward a Curriculum for a Master's Degree in Archival Science prepared by Hugh Taylor and Edwin Welch</li> </ul>
1977	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Published the Directory of Canadian records and manuscript repositories</li> <li>• Tradition of dancing at the ACA banquet begins in Fredericton with a square dance</li> <li>• Annual conference held in Fredericton</li> </ul>
1978	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ACA incorporated</li> <li>• First east-west baseball game played at the annual conference</li> <li>• Annual conference held in London, ON</li> </ul>
1979	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Awarded first honorary membership to W. Kaye Lamb</li> <li>• The <i>Archives Bulletin</i> becomes the <i>ACA Bulletin</i></li> <li>• Annual conference held in Saskatoon</li> </ul>
1980	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presented brief to the Federal Cultural Policy Review Committee</li> <li>• Annual conference held in Montréal</li> </ul>
1983	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Awarded the first W. Kaye Lamb Prize to Ian E. Wilson for the best article in <i>Archivaria</i>, with Dr. Lamb in attendance</li> <li>• Annual conference held in Vancouver.</li> </ul>
1985	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Special Interest Sections created for University and College Archives and Religious Archives</li> <li>• Supported the creation of the Canadian Council of Archives</li> <li>• Annual conference held in Edmonton</li> </ul>
1986	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First ACA Membership Directory is distributed</li> <li>• ACA hires its first Office Manager, Gina Meacoe. It marked a significant milestone in the maturing of the association (and profession), and could no longer afford to have Board members' energies spent processing memberships on their kitchen tables after the dishes were done.</li> <li>• Annual conference held in Winnipeg</li> </ul>
1990	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Annual conference in Victoria is the last held as part of the meetings of the Learned Societies</li> <li>• Produced Guidelines for the Development of a two-year Curriculum for a Master of Archival Studies</li> </ul>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Collaborated with the Canadian archival community in the development and publication of Rules for Archival Description</li> </ul>
1991	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Produced Guidelines for the Development of Post-Appointment and Continuing Education and Training Programmes</li> <li>Annual conference held in Banff</li> </ul>
1992	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Published The Archival Imagination: Essays in Honour of Hugh A. Taylor, edited by Barbara Craig</li> <li>Developed the Education Programme and Plan</li> <li>Special Interest Section on Electronic Records formed</li> <li>Annual conference held in Montréal</li> </ul>
1993	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Collaborated with the SAA in the publication of Canadian Archives and the Rediscovery of Provenance, edited by Tom Nesmith.</li> <li>Annual conference held in St. John's, NFLD.</li> </ul>
1996	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Annual conference held north of 60° in Whitehorse, Yukon</li> <li>ACA web site launched, co-edited by Catherine Bailey and Paul Marsden</li> <li>Annual conference held in Whitehorse</li> </ul>
1997	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Special Interest Section on Aboriginal Archives formed</li> <li>Annual conference held in Ottawa</li> </ul>
1999	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Terry Cook and Barbara Craig lead the first ACA Institute in London</li> <li>Annual conference held in London</li> </ul>
2001	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AGM passes a unanimous resolution supporting the release of historical federal census records</li> <li>Special Interest Section on Personal Archives formed</li> <li>Annual conference held in Winnipeg</li> </ul>
2003	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mentorship pilot program launched in cooperation with the AABC</li> <li>Collaborated with the SAA in the publication of Imagining Archives: Essays and Reflections by Hugh A. Taylor, edited by Terry Cook and Gordon Dodds</li> <li>Membership grows to over 600 members</li> <li>ACA moves into shared offices with the CCA</li> <li>Annual conference held in Toronto</li> </ul>
2004	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>First Student Chapter formed at the University of British Columbia (SLAIS)</li> <li>Archivaria 56 published, special edition containing a 396-page index, a testament and guide to Canadian archival scholarship</li> </ul>
2005	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Engaging and exciting conference held in Saskatoon, SK</li> <li>Review &amp; Renewal project launched with survey of members &amp; non-members</li> </ul>
2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Engaging and exciting conference held in St. John's, NL</li> <li>ACA digitizes the entire collection of Archivaria issues &amp; posted on the web</li> </ul>
2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>e-Archivaria formally launched with its Main &amp; Reserve Collections</li> <li>Canadian Archivist digitized and posted on the web</li> <li>Engaging and exciting conference held at Queen's University in Kingston, ON</li> </ul>
2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reviewed General Bylaw (from R&amp;R recommendations) approved at AGM</li> <li>Engaging and exciting conference held in Fredericton, NB</li> </ul>



2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First ACA conference held in Calgary, AB is very well attended, offers excellent sessions and is financially successful</li> <li>• A new look and structure is introduced for ACA's website</li> </ul>
2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Archivaria is awarded an A+ in an international review of journals</li> <li>• New web 2.0 services are introduced to the Members website</li> </ul>
2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advocacy efforts directed to 2011 Census,</li> <li>• Event listing service is introduced to the ACA website</li> <li>• A Task Force is established to revise the Education Guidelines</li> </ul>
2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Canadian Archives System Taskforce (CAST) established</li> <li>• A very engaged and animated conference is held in Whitehorse, YT</li> <li>• Advocacy efforts directed to the reinstatement of the National Archives Development Program (NADP)</li> <li>• The ACA Foundation completes the Continuance process under the new Canada Not-for-Profit Act</li> <li>• ACA relocates its office in downtown Ottawa</li> </ul>
2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A very engaged and animated conference is held in Winnipeg, MB</li> <li>• ACA led preparations for the Canadian Archives Summit, coordinating logistics and financial support and as facilitating participation of 32 regional sites across Canada</li> <li>• ACA completes the Continuance process under the Canada Not-for-Profit Act</li> <li>• The CAST and Education Guidelines Task Forces are extended for a second year</li> </ul>
2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A very engaged and animated conference is held in Victoria, BC</li> <li>• Members approved addition of a sixth Director to the ACA Board of Directors</li> <li>• An Experts and Consultants Directory is introduced on the ACA website while a workshop on Consulting is held in Victoria</li> <li>• The ACA Bulletin move from print to a blog format</li> </ul>
2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Annual conference held in Regina</li> </ul>
2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Annual conference held in Montréal</li> <li>• Loryl MacDonald awarded Membership Recognition Award</li> </ul>
2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Annual conference held in Ottawa</li> <li>• ACA Redesigns its website</li> </ul>