

Ancestry.com Card Catalog, “Back Door Friends are the Best”

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- I. Search for “Ancestor History” vs. Just More Ancestors
- II. “Card Catalog” vs. “All Collections”
 - a. Search “Records” not “Persons”
- III. “Card Catalog” Sort Box
- IV. “Card Catalog” Search Boxes
 - a. Title
 - b. Keyword
- V. Filters
 - a. Category
 - b. Location
 - c. Dates
- VI. Indexed Databases vs. Non-indexed Databases
- VII. Be sure to read the database “Description” and the “About” section of the database before you begin your search

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Sources of information reviewed in preparing this presentation:

- *Krista Cowan, Ancestry.com youtubes*

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- <https://www.familytreemagazine.com/premium/ancestry-card-catalog-crash-course/>
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