

**VALENTINE RICHMOND HISTORY CENTER**  
**Richmond History Vertical Files Index**

The Valentine Richmond History Center Archives has a large collection of vertical files containing newspaper clippings, magazine articles and other research materials that document people, places, and events in Richmond and Virginia. This document is an index of the major subject headings of the History Center's Richmond History Vertical Files. Materials in this collection date from the late 19<sup>th</sup> century until the present and are arranged by subject.

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**Biography Files:** Vertical files with obituaries, articles and other biographical information related to Richmonders and Virginians. Arranged alphabetically by last name.

**Edgar Allan Poe Files:** Research materials related to Edgar Allan Poe and Poe manuscript holdings in the Valentine Richmond History Center Collection.

**Artist Files:** Vertical files related to Richmond art, artists, art organizations, competitions and other art-related subjects.

**Virginia Historic Landmarks Commission Survey:** Vertical files related to properties reviewed by the Virginia Historic Landmarks Commission

**General Subject Files:** Related to Richmond- and Virginia-related events, industries, products, places, and other subjects. Arranged alphabetically by subject.

**A**

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- Advertising
- African Americans
  - Black History Month
  - Brown, Henry "Box"
  - Caretakers
  - Civil Rights
  - Education to 1960
  - Freedmen
  - Lumpkin's Jail
  - National Conference on a Black Agenda for the '80s
  - Richmond Papers, 1874-1900
  - Richmond News Clippings
  - Slave Memorial

Slavery  
*Times-Dispatch* Series 1993  
Valentine, E.V., Notes  
African American Individuals (By Name)  
African American Vocations  
Agriculture  
Alcoholic Beverages  
Almanacs  
Ambulance  
Animals  
Archaeology  
Archery  
Architects in Richmond  
Architecture  
Armories  
Arsenals, Richmond  
Art (see Artist Files)  
Authors  
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Awnings

**B**

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Bags, manufacturers  
Bakers and Bakeries  
Banks and Banking, Richmond  
Barbers, Richmond  
Baseball, Richmond  
Basketball  
Baths, Public, Richmond  
Battle Abbey (Confederate Memorial Institute)  
Battlefields  
Bees  
Bells  
Beverages  
Bicycles  
Billboards  
Birds  
Blacksmithing  
Blue Laws  
Boats and Boating  
Books  
Bowling  
Brasses and Brassmakers  
Bricks

Bridges  
Broad Street Community Development Authority  
Brooms, manufacturers of, Richmond  
Buildings, Richmond (See also names of individual buildings, i.e., "Mosque")  
Business  
Business Closings  
Buttons, manufacturers

C

Calendars  
Camp, Boys  
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Cancer  
Canning, Preserving Industry  
Cannon Balls  
Capitol Square  
Carpentry  
Carpets and Rugs  
Carriages  
Caterers and Catering  
Celebrations  
Cemeteries  
Census, U.S.  
Centenarians  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Charcoal  
Charities  
Chemical Industries  
Chess  
Chewing Gum  
Child Day Care Centers  
Chimney Sweeps  
Chinaware  
Chiropractors  
Churches  
    Armenian  
    Baptist  
    Buddhist  
    Catholic  
    Christian Science  
    Disciples of Christ  
    Episcopal  
    Evangelical  
    Greek  
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    Huguenot

Jehovah's Witness  
Jewish  
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Virginia

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Camp Meeting and Revivals  
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Clergy  
Episcopal  
Evangelist  
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Methodist  
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City Auditorium  
City Hall  
City Planning  
Civil War Centennial, Richmond (1961-1965)  
Cleaners and Dyers  
Clocks and Watches  
Clothing Trade  
Clubs

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Business and Professional  
Civic  
Country Clubs  
Cultural  
Garden  
Political  
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Virginia

Cultural  
Garden

Coal Dealers  
Coat of Arms

Coffee Industry  
Coins  
Coliseum  
Commerce and Industry  
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Computer Services  
Concrete  
Confectioners  
Confederate  
    Brown, John, Raid and Aftermath  
    Campaigns and Battles  
    Causes of Rebellion  
    Government  
    Home Front  
    Imprints  
    Lincoln, Abraham  
    Magazine Articles  
    Medicine  
    Military  
    Personal Narratives  
    Photographs  
    Prisoners and Prisons  
    Publications  
    Reconstruction Era  
    Spies  
    Transportation  
    Veterans  
Conservation  
Cookery  
Co-operatives  
Coopers  
Cosmetics  
Cotton  
Courts  
Creeks  
Crime and Criminals  
Crusade for Voters

## **D**

Dairies and Dairying  
Dams  
Dancing  
Deaf School  
Decals, manufacture, Richmond  
Decorations and Ornaments  
Deeds, to lots in Richmond and vicinity

Defense Supply Center  
Dentists and Dentistry, Richmond  
Department Stores  
Detectives and Detective Agencies  
Diamond Found in Manchester, Virginia, 1854  
Diatoms  
Directories, Richmond  
Disabilities  
Divers  
Dogs  
Dolls  
Door Knockers  
Dressmakers, Richmond  
Drugs  
Duels  
Dyes and Dyeing

## **E**

Earthquakes  
Earth Liberation Front (ELF)  
Eclipses  
Ecology  
Education  
    Richmond  
        Administration  
        Adult Education  
        Campaign in the South 1900 (Ogden Movement)  
        Desegregation  
        General Articles  
        Governor's School  
        Home Schooling  
        Parent Teacher Association  
        Parochial  
        Private  
        Public  
        Colleges and Universities, Richmond Area  
    Virginia  
        PTA (Parent Teacher Association)  
        Private Schools  
        Henrico County, Va: Schools Public  
        Public  
        School for the Deaf and Blind  
        State Board of Education  
        Virginia Education Association/Teachers' Association  
        Colleges and Universities  
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Elevators  
Employment  
Energy Crisis  
Engineers  
Engravers  
Engravings, Civil War  
Entertainment  
Epidemics and Plagues  
Escort Agency  
Ethnic Groups  
Ethyl Corporation  
Explosions

**F**

Fads  
Fairs  
Fans  
Fashion  
Fences  
Fencing  
Fertilizers  
Filter Center  
Filters (Stone)  
Firearms  
Fires and Firefighting  
Fishing (Sport)  
Flags  
Florists  
Flower Vendors  
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Fountains and Watering Troughs  
Fraternities  
Freedom of Speech  
Freemasons  
Frozen Food Industry  
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Furniture  
Furriers

**G**

Gambling  
Games  
Gangs  
Gardens  
Gazeboes

Genealogy  
Geology  
Ghosts and Haunted Houses  
Glass and Glassware  
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Grace Park Center  
Graffiti  
Graphic Arts Club  
Graphic Arts Guild  
Gun Shows  
Gunsmithing

## H

Hairdressers  
Handcrafts  
Hardware Industry  
Hardware Stores  
Hats  
Health Agencies  
Health Centers  
Heroes  
Hills (of Richmond)  
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Hobbies  
Hockey  
Holidays  
Holly  
Homeland Security (Civil Defense)  
Homes for the Aged  
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Homeless  
Homosexuals  
Horses  
Hospitals  
    Richmond  
    Virginia  
    Maternity Homes  
    Nursing Homes  
Hotels and Taverns  
Houses  
    Richmond  
        By Name  
        By Street  
        By Section (Neighborhood)

Virginia

Housing  
Human Relations Commission  
Hunting

**I**

Ice Cream and Confections  
Ice Manufacturers and Cold Storage  
Ice Skating  
Indians of North America  
Insects  
Insurance  
Integration  
Interior Decorators  
Inventors and Patents  
Iron Industry  
Islands in James River  
Islands in Virginia

**J**

James River  
Jamestown, Virginia  
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Jews  
Jogging  
Jukeboxes  
Junkyards

**K**

Key Baskets  
Kitchens  
Kite Flying

**L**

Labor  
Lace and Lacemaking  
Lamination  
Lamps (Household)  
Land Patents (Colonial)  
Landscape Architecture  
Laundries  
Lawyers and Judges  
Leather Industry  
Libraries  
Light Houses (Virginia)  
Lightning

Locksmithing  
Lotteries  
Luggage  
Lumber Industry  
Lynching, Lynch Law (Origin of Term)

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Machinery  
Madstone  
Maps  
Marathon  
Marble  
Marble Tournaments  
Markets and Retail Groceries  
Marking Devices  
Mason-Dixon Line  
Massage Salons  
Meat Industry and Trade  
Medical  
Medicine  
Metal Products  
Meteors, Falling Stars, etc.  
Methane  
Military  
Mills  
Mines and Mineral Resources  
Mobile Homes  
Monuments  
Motorcycles  
Moving Pictures  
Moving and Storage  
Mummies  
Museums  
Music  
    Concert Halls  
    Compositions published, American imprints  
    Contemporary  
    Jazz  
    Richmond  
    Music Teachers  
    Musicians  
    Opera  
    Orchestras  
    Organizations  
    Programs  
    Virginia

U.S.A.

- Musical Instruments
- N**
- Navy (United States)
  - Needlework
  - Newspapers
  - Nobel Prize
  - North Carolina (History, "The Lost Colony")
  - Nurses
- O**
- Olympics
  - Optometry
  - Organ Grinders
  - Organ Manufacturers
  - Organizations
  - Orphans and Orphans' Homes
  - Ozone Levels
- P**
- Pageant (Miss Richmond)
  - Paint
  - Painting on velvet
  - Paperhanging
  - Paper manufacturing
  - Parachuting
  - Parking
  - Parks
  - Pawnbrokers
  - Peanuts
  - Pens
  - Performing Arts Center
  - Perfume
  - Periodicals
  - Pewter
  - Pharmacy
  - Photography
  - Picture Frames and Framing
  - Pigeons
  - Pirates and Privateers
  - Plant and Seed Dealers
  - Plastic Products
  - Playgrounds
  - Plumbers
  - Poems
  - Politics (Political Campaigns)
  - Postcards

Post Office  
Postage Stamps  
Postal History  
Potato Chips  
Pottery  
Poultry and Eggs  
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Prisons  
Prohibition  
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Psychiatric Facilities  
Public  
    Public Health, Department of  
    Public Safety, Department of  
    Public Utilities, Department of  
    Public Welfare, Department of  
    Public Works, Department of  
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## Q

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Quoit Club

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RCAP (Richmond Community Action Program)  
Real Estate  
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Refrigeration  
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Restaurants and Bars  
Richmond, Virginia  
    Annexations  
    Commerce and Industry (Establishment of Branches; Industrial Recruitment)  
    Curiosities; facts; miscellaneous  
    Firsts  
    Flag; flowers  
    Description  
    Guidebooks  
    Newspaper Articles  
    Pictures

- Skyline
- Tours, scripts for, 1959
- Government
  - Charters, Ordinances of the Corporation
  - City Assessor
  - City Council
  - City Managers
- Departments and Agencies
- Documents on File, Richmond Public Library
- Employees
- Finance
- Mayors
- “The Reb,” Richmond Employees Bulletin
- Wards
- History
- Riots
- Roads
- Robots
- Roller Skating
- Rope Walks

**S**

- Safes
- Samplers
- Science and Scientists
- Scientific equipment
- Scrimshaw
- Sculptors
- Seafood Industry
- Seals
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- Sewerage
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- Ships (Shipping Business)
- Shipbuilding
- Shoes
- Shopping Centers
- Silhouettes
- Silk
- Silver
- Silversmiths
- Singles
- Skiing
- Soccer
- Social Life and Customs
  - Balls and Dances

- Barbeques and Picnics, etc.
- Calling Cards
- Holidays
- Special Days
- Songs
- Southern Churchmen
- Space Travel
- Spices and Flavors (C.F. Sauer Co.)
- Spinning
- Sporting Goods
- Sports
- Springs and Wells
- Stadiums
- Stationary and Engraving
- Steeples
- Stonecutting
- Streets
  - Street Cleaning
  - Street Lightings
  - Street Paving
  - History of, name origins, miscellaneous
  - Named Streets
  - Numbered Streets
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  - Playbills
  - Plays and Playwrights
  - Scripts (Plays)
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    - 18<sup>th</sup> Century

- 19<sup>th</sup> Century
  - 20<sup>th</sup> Century
- Virginia
  - 18<sup>th</sup> Century
  - 19<sup>th</sup> Century
  - 20<sup>th</sup> Century
- Actors and Actresses
- Thrift Shops
- Tin Containers
- Tobacco Industry
  - Richmond
    - Cigars and Cigarettes
    - Firms
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    - Snuff
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    - Tobacco Exchange
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    - Warehouses
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- Toys
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- Transportation
  - Air
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    - Horse-Drawn Vehicles
    - Motor Vehicles
    - Railroads
    - Street Cars
  - Water
- Trash Disposal
- Travel Agencies
- Trees
- Tunnels

**U**

- UFOs (Virginia)
- Uniforms (Military)
- Urban Renewal
- Urban Sprawl
- U.S. Customs, Richmond
- U.S. Politics, National Political Campaign

## V

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Chandler-Thomas, Cridlin (articles of)

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Constitutional Convention, 1829-1830

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Description, Travel, Reminiscences

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Elections and Election Returns (National and state)

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    1960-69  
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    Hurricanes  
    Snow, 2000  
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    Snow and Wind Storms, 1962  
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    Weather Bureau  
Weaving  
Weights and Measures  
Welfare  
Whitewash  
Wholesale Supply, Machinery, Millwork  
Wigs  
Wildlife  
Wills (Virginia)  
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Witchcraft (Virginia)  
Women  
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    Wood Carving  
    Wood Engraving  
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Zoo