

## Romanian Genealogy Society

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### Romanian Researchers

The following individuals and organizations have indicated that they are available for genealogical and historical research services in Romania. This list is provided by RGS as a courtesy to family historians. Negotiations about proposed services and payment arrangements are strictly between the family historian and the prospective researcher. RGS does not get involved in any aspect of the relationship, nor can we give any assurances or guarantees about the success or outcome of research provided. However, we do appreciate it when you tell us about your experiences. Some guidelines for hiring a professional researcher may be found at: [https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/Hiring\\_a\\_Professional\\_Researcher](https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/Hiring_a_Professional_Researcher).

#### List of Professional Researchers:

##### Mr. Alin F. Constantinescu

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Experienced genealogical researcher for 10 years, Mr. Constantinescu has worked extensively with many county (judet) archives, municipalities and communal archives throughout Romania helping private individuals build family trees. He has had projects within the Securitate and Military Archives. He has also worked in a few projects researching archives of Jewish populations in the Ukrainian Part of Bukovina. He speaks and understands Romanian, English, some French and Portuguese and also Russian, having lived in Moldova for 4 years. He lives in Constanța (SE Romania, on the Black Sea) but his research is not limited to that area. He is familiar with the National Archives. He has informally represented FamilySearch in negotiations with pretty much every public archive in Romania for about 2 years until recently

## **Mr. Staša Cvetković, Synergia Genealogy Agency**

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Genealogy research covering Eastern/Central Europe (Serbia, Montenegro, Croatia, Romania, Hungary, Slovenia and other countries). Some of the historical names of the areas covered include Torontál, Temes, Timis, Batschka, Bács-Bodrog, Syrmien, Szerém. Genealogy activities cover the following nations, groups and religions: Serbians, Romanians, Danube Germans (or Donauschwaben, Podunavski Nemci), Slovaks, Rusyns (Ruthenians), Hungarians, Croats, Jews and others. Religions: Serbian Orthodox, Romanian Orthodox, Greek-Catholic, Roman Catholic, various Protestant denominations, Jewish and other. Also provides Ancestral Tours and assistance for individuals and smaller groups; Translation/interpreting services; Probate investigation; Help with applications for Hungarian citizenship (EU citizenship). We routinely read/translate from: Latin/Romanian/Serbian/Hungarian and Church Slavonic (used in Serbia and Romania at certain times/regions) to English.

## **Mr. Vasile Doru**

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Mr. Doru is an experienced genealogical researcher for over 10 years. He has worked extensively with many county (judet) archives, municipalities, and communal archives throughout Romania, helping private individuals build family trees. He has had projects within the Securitate and Military Archives. He speaks and understands Romanian, English and French.

## **Mr. Florin Dyrda**

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Mr. Dyrda has conducted extensive research and genealogies of the original Romanian immigrants who settled in Boian, Alberta, Canada, coming from Boian, Bukovina, now in the Ukraine. This research is available to read on the Boian Museum website, <http://boianalbertamuseum.com>. Florin lives in Boian, Ukraine and does research in Chernivtsi/Czernowitz as well as in Romania, and is also situated very near to Suceava (formerly in Bukovina, now Romania).

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Services: “ Maramures, Bukovina & Iasi Family Roots Journeys”  
Research, Developing Personal Itineraries, Translations in Hebrew, Romanian and Yiddish

Ms. Peninah Zilberman Lectures on “Jewish Heritage in Romania in the Past 100 years”

### **Mr. Sorin Goldenberg**

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His team focuses strictly on Jewish ancestry and more information can be found on Facebook, "Jewish Genealogy in Romanian Moldova." They have indexed records from cities and small towns in Botosani county, as well as most of the other cities in the region of Moldova like Focsani, Falticeni, Piatra and Targu Neamtz, Roman, Husi, Vaslui, Barlad, and other smaller cities. We perform research for free and we charge for supplying records and translations. We are looking for people with roots in these places, know Romanian, have the time, and are willing to invest it to help us with the indexing process. In turn, we will help these people research their roots.

### **Prof. Dr. Ladislau Gyemant**

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Member of APG and of Jewish Genealogical Society of New York. Family history research in Romania and Hungary. Languages of records to be researched: Romanian, Hungarian, German, Latin.

### **Mr. Ioan Ionescu (Andrei Cucuruz)**

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Romanian researcher based in Cluj-Napoca/Piatra Neamt experienced in Romanian Genealogy concerning the areas of Bukovina, Moldavia & Muntenia. I can retrieve/translate and interpret civil/parish/census records (1774 – 1914) and sometimes travel to specific locations.

### **Ms. Alexandra Irimia, Timișoara Tour Guide**

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Tour Guide & Genealogist, based in Timișoara, specializing in the Banat area (Romania), both for research (family trees) and planning visits to the Old Country. Handles Romanian and Hungarian citizenship requests (obtaining legal documents necessary for the application) Sworn translator & interpreter – English, Spanish; collaborates with translators of Serbian (also Cyrillic alphabet), Hungarian and German. Driver (personal car -Toyota Yaris). Languages spoken: Romanian, English and Spanish fluently; German intermediate level. Services can be accessed either prior to arrival or can form the basis of our search together. In the event that the customer cannot travel to Romania, we can work together via the Internet to find what they need.

## **Mr. Dan Jurca**

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Dan Jurca lives in Hunedoara County (Transylvania), but he conducts research all over Romania. Genealogy research, guide, translator, driver, photographer, on-site genealogy research in national archives, city halls and different parishes/Jewish communities. Areas of research travel: entire Romania. Special expertise (record types, languages, etc.): fluent in English and French, specialized on civil records, acquiring entire sets of records (church and civil registers, censuses, etc.)

## **Mr. Vitalii Kliukin**

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Mr. Kliukin is a historian, ethnographer, genealogist and researcher of demography of Eastern Galicia and Bukovina. He lives in Lviv, Ukraine but most of the time he is on the road to archives in other cities. He works in archives of all regions of Western Ukraine including Chernivtsi. In addition to archival research, he attaches great importance to studying local history, conducting expeditions to villages and collecting oral information about the migrations (1890s-1945) from old residents and other information that helps to find ancestors. He can read many languages and speaks English, German and Polish.

## **Mr. Andriy Kotynskyy**

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Our group offers processing of parish registers and other documents containing genealogical information of any complexity (unreadable text, bad quality of documents, paleographic peculiarities, etc.) and are in free access (FamilySearch service etc.) or stored in Ukrainian archives.

Processing of this information means:

1. analysis of parish registers;
2. determination of all branches of the family you are interested in;
3. selection of documents, cataloguing, indexing and processing of information, construction of a family tree/chart;
4. making screenshots linking on each member of family tree;
5. interpretation of parish registers and other documents containing genealogical information for those people, whose ancestors came from modern territory of Ukraine.

While working in this area, we have organized historical data, and, as a result, created an unique data base, which makes a significant contribution to efficiency our work.

Work with records in Romanian, Ukrainian, Jewish, Polish, and German.

## **Dr. Andrei Popescu**

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Andrei Popescu is an independent researcher with a Ph.D. in history. He is the founder and coordinator of the project „Scriem istoria ta” (We Write Your History) and was named „The Researcher of the Year” by the Romanian National Archives for two consecutive years (2019 and 2020). He is the author of many books, articles and other studies, including the English e-book „How to Find Your Ancestors from Bucharest: A Guide for Identifying, Interpreting and Understanding Online and Offline Genealogical Resources”. Andrei has been doing genealogical research since 2006, studying family history of all classes: local nobility (boieri), bourgeoisie/middle class, peasants. He speaks Romanian, English, a little German, and is also able to translate Old Romanian (with Cyrillic alphabet), as well as documents in other languages. Geographical area: Wallachia (Muntenia, Oltenia), Moldavia (Romanian part), Dobrudja, and Southern Transylvania (Braşov-Sibiu area). Contact him for more details.

## **Mr. Daniel Rosca**

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Tour guide & genealogy researcher based in Sibiu, Transylvania region. I have organized genealogy trips and research since 2015. For research I can easily cover Sibiu, Brasov, Alba, Hunedoara and Mures counties. Trips I can do in all regions of Romania. I have experience with families of Romanian, Jewish, German and Italian background from Transylvania region. I speak Romanian, English and work with Hungarian and German speakers when needed. Telephone: 0040755365778

## **Ms. Lavinia Stan, Oral History Institute at Babes-Bolyai University**

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This is a team of young researchers at Babes-Bolyai University in Cluj-Napoca, called Oral History Institute, specializing in oral history and archival research, so all team members are able to conduct research in Archives (and to make sense of the way they are administered in Romania). They are all able to communicate in English and are very mobile. Ms. Stan speaks Serbian as well. There are young researchers specialized in Cyrillic and in other languages such as Hungarian or German.

## **Mr. Antal Strazalkovszky**

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Mr. Strazalkovszky lives in Cluj-Napoca (northwestern Romania, in Transylvania) but is willing to travel to other locations. He does genealogical research in his hometown and nearby. He has digital copies of parish registers from the national archives of Cluj and other locations from Erdely (Transylvania). Places include Nagyvarad (Oradea), Gyulafehervar (Alba-Iulia), Maros Vasarhely (Targu-Mures) and others; just ask!

### **Mr. Istvan Szucs (Steven Sax)**

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Hungarian by nationality, Istvan Szucs (Steven Sax) has lived in Romania for over 10 years. He can read and speak Hungarian, English, Russian, and is skilled in reading Romanian and interpreting Old Slavic records. He is experienced in archival research and can make requests from priests and mayor's offices for civil registry records. He lives in Cluj-Napoca and will work in Romania and Moldavia. Digital images of records are provided. Tel(RO): +40741158940; Tel(HU): +36204439677

### **Dr. Levente "Levi" Toth**

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Dr. Toth is a genealogist from Romania, based in the city of Cluj. He has been doing genealogical researches since 2008. He has a PhD in history (church history in Transylvania, 18-19th century). He can research old Romanian (Cyrillic), Hungarian, German and Latin sources. He is able to obtain records from the Transylvania, Maramures and Banat regions of today's Romania. He has paleographical skills with knowledge in reading and interpreting Latin, Hungarian and German old manuscripts, letters.

### **Mr. Antonio Tudorache**

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Mr. Tudorache is familiar with the workings of the Romanian National Archives. He works as a history teacher and during holidays is available for research in all counties of Romania. While he is nearest to Bucharest, Argeş, Dâmboviţa, Prahova and Giurgiu, his travel is not limited to those areas.

### **Mr. Vlad Turcescu**

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Mr. Turcescu lives in Argeş (central Romania). In July 2016 he began accepting research requests. To find more details about a person he needs at minimum name, date and place of birth/death. Hourly price will include archive + transportation and accommodation fees. Will negotiate a price for all the work.

## Regional Projects – Seeking Volunteers

### Mr. Marcel Glaskie, Ra'anana, Israel

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Mr. Glaskie specializes in Romania and has digitally photographed indexes and some civil records (birth, marriage & death) of Jewish residents in several Romanian towns: Bacau, Bucharest, Răducăneni (county of Iasi, Moldavia), Dranceni (Vaslui county), and he also has full access to Iasi (Jassy) & Husi. He is looking for volunteers to assist with indexing birth, marriage & death Records, mostly 1865 to 1915 (in Romanian). Contact him to inquire about obtaining copies of records.

As a point of information for members, he advises that when contacting state archives and any registry office in Europe, do NOT use the American term “Vital Records.” In Europe the use of that term implies “Medical files.” Be careful to only use the term “Civil Records.”

### Mr. & Mrs. Ralph & Joanna Hollingshead

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The Hollingsheads are members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints who are extracting records from church books from Ridkivtsi, Chernivtsi, Ukraine (formerly Rarancze, Czernowitz, Bukowina). “The SLC FHL has eleven microfilms (compared to our five) for the larger village, Toporivtsi, just a few kilometers up the road. Who knows how many other cities and towns are waiting to be read? Help! We would like more volunteers to assist with our project.”

**Please send us your reviews**

**Please contact Romanian Genealogy Society with updates to this list, to provide feedback and reviews of hired professionals, and with any questions you may have. Email [info@romaniangenealogy.com](mailto:info@romaniangenealogy.com).**

## **About Romanian Genealogy Society**

The Romanian Genealogy Society is a non-profit organization formed in 2011 as a branch group of the Minnesota Genealogical Society; however our mission is not limited to Minnesota research.

The purpose of the Romanian Genealogy Society (RGS) is exclusively educational, and is to:

- Foster interest in Romanian genealogy;
- Provide an opportunity for exchange of knowledge about Romania, Romanian immigration, and Romanian family history research;
- Encourage the establishment of Romanian genealogical resources;
- Hold meetings for the instruction and interest of its members;
- Collect and publish genealogical, biographical, and historical material relating to people of Romanian descent;
- Work with other organizations to inform about and preserve Romanian genealogy and heritage.

### **Membership**

Members receive informative quarterly newsletters, admission to quarterly meetings and educational events, and free admission to the William J. Hoffman Library & Research Center located in Mendota Heights, Minnesota which includes our RGS Library Collection. To join, see:

<http://romaniangenealogy.com/membership/join-rgs/>.

Members and non-members are invited to participate in our Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/RomanianGenealogySociety/>, and our closed group where you may post questions about your research at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/RGSconversations>.