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Introduction

Get started telling your family's story using Snagit. This guide walks you through the steps to [capture](#), [enhance](#), [save, and share](#) your family history. This guide is broken up into sections. Each section includes a step-by-step walkthrough of some key things you will need to know for your genealogy research, as well as some additional resources.

You might be wondering if you have time to do all this research. But, if you devote a small amount of time during the day you can be on your way to telling your family's story. All it takes is 15 minutes during lunches or before you go to bed to start building up a good library of pages in your family's history.

Start your genealogy search in places such as familysearch.org, archived newspapers, and library websites. Search for family information through birth certificates, death certificates, obituaries, and news clippings, or events from the day the person was born.

Capturing Genealogy Information

Capturing Images in Snagit

1. First locate what you want to capture. Locate Snagit's OneClick on your screen and click the red capture button to start your capture.

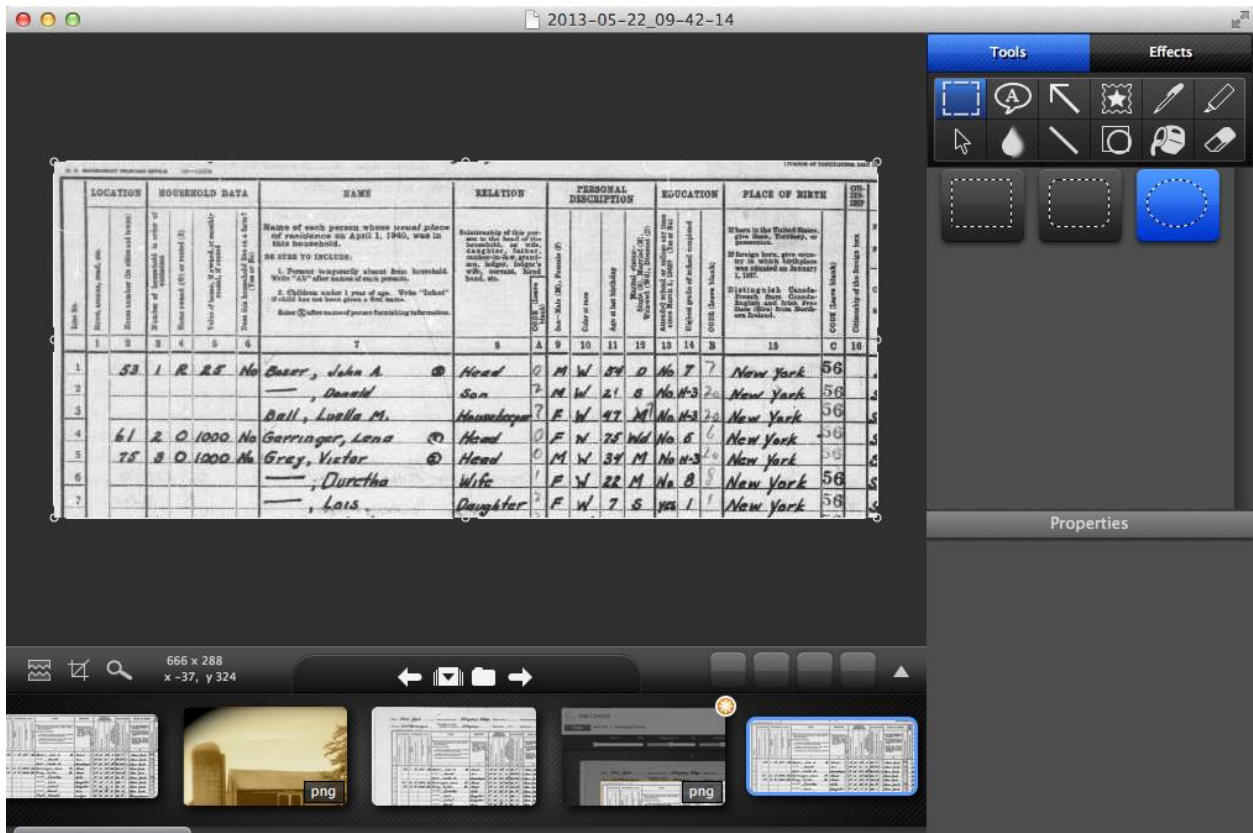


2. The crosshairs appear. Click and hold your left mouse button, then drag across the screen to capture what you want. Or, click the arrow button near the bottom of the screen to capture a scrolling page.

State New York Incorporated place Allegany Village Ward of city _____ Unincorporated place _____
 County Gataraugus Township or other division of county Allegany Block No. _____ Institution _____

LOCATION		HOUSEHOLD DATA				NAME	RELATION	PERSONAL DESCRIPTION				EDUCATION	PLACE OF BIRTH	EDUCATION	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
1	53	1	R	25	No	Baker, John A.	Head	0	M	W	34	0	No	7	New York
2						—, David	Son	7	M	W	21	0	No	13	New York
3						Bell, Luella M.	Housekeeper	7	F	W	47	M	No	13	New York
4	61	2	O	1000	No	Garringer, Lena	Head	0	F	W	25	Wid	No	6	New York
5	75	3	O	1000	No	Gray, Victor	Head	0	M	W	34	M	No	13	New York
6						—, Duretha	Wife	1	F	W	22	M	No	8	New York
7						—, Lois	Daughter	2	F	W	7	S	Yes	1	New York
8						—, Juliet	Daughter	2	F	W	2	S	No	0	New York
9						—, David	Son	2	M	W	16	S	No	0	New York
10						Pratt, Harold	Lodger	6	M	W	21	S	No	8	New York
11	85	4	R	25	No	Rosenberry, Richard	Head	0	M	W	27	M	No	8	New York
12						—, Mae	Wife	1	F	W	27	M	No	8	New York
13						—, Donald	Grandson	4	M	W	10	S	Yes	4	New York
14	86	5	R	25	No	Smith, Charles	Head	0	M	W	28	M	No	12	New York
15						—, Rachel	Wife	1	F	W	27	M	No	12	New York

3. The image opens in the Snagit Editor.



More Resources

Want to learn more about capturing in Snagit? Check out these tutorials:

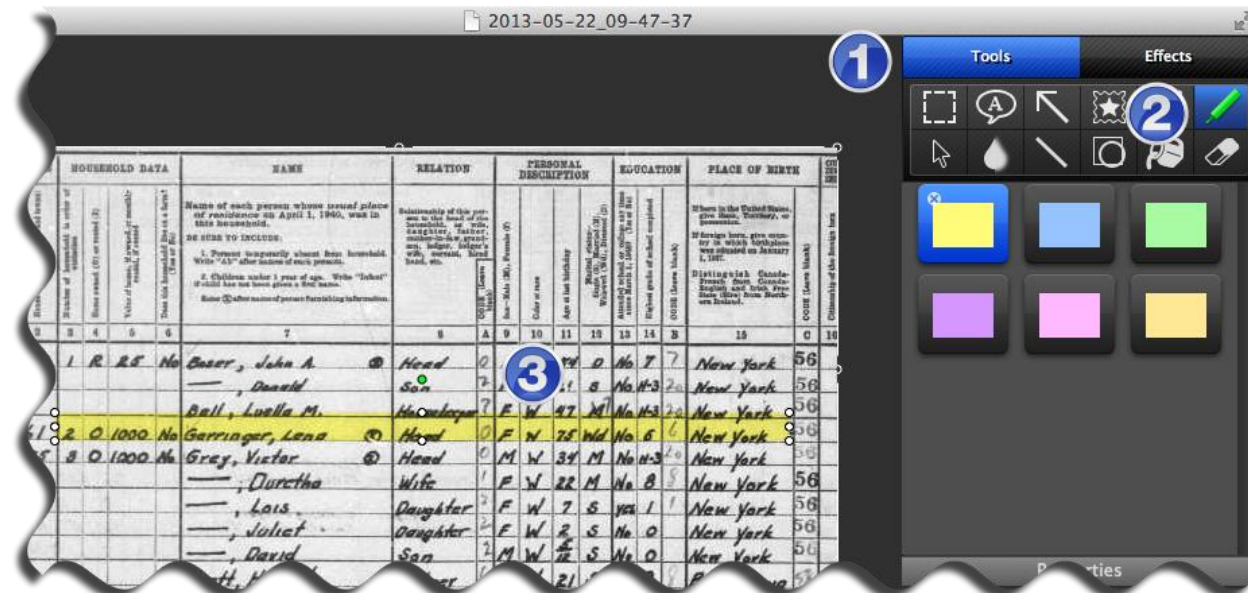
All-in-One Capture <http://www.techsmith.com/tutorial-snagit-mac-current.html>

Working with the Capture Window <http://www.techsmith.com/tutorial-snagit-mac-working-with-the-capture-window.html>

Enhancing Your Images

There are many ways you can enhance your images in Snagit. In this guide, we will show you a few we think will be the most useful when researching your family history. In Snagit Editor, you can highlight an area, draw objects, add text, or use image effects like the cutout tool.

Highlight an Area



1. In the Snagit Editor, click the Tools tab.
2. Select the Highlighter tool.
3. Click and drag over the area you want to highlight. Note: Don't worry if you don't get it exactly right, you can always adjust it later using the handles. Or, click in the middle and drag it anywhere on your image.

Add Text Captions

Once your image is in the Editor you can add text or captions. Add information about the image or point out things within the image. You can also use it to take notes about the picture that you can use later, such as identifying people or places.



1. In the Snagit Editor, click on the Tools tab.
2. Select the Callout and Text Tool and select the style you want.
3. Click and drag over the area where you want to place text and start typing. Note: Don't worry if you don't get it exactly right, you can always adjust it later using the handles. Or, click in the middle and drag it anywhere on your image.
4. Use the Properties area to change the text attributes. You can change things like font size, color, and style.

More Resources

Want to learn more about other drawing tools or image effects in Snagit? Check out these tutorials:

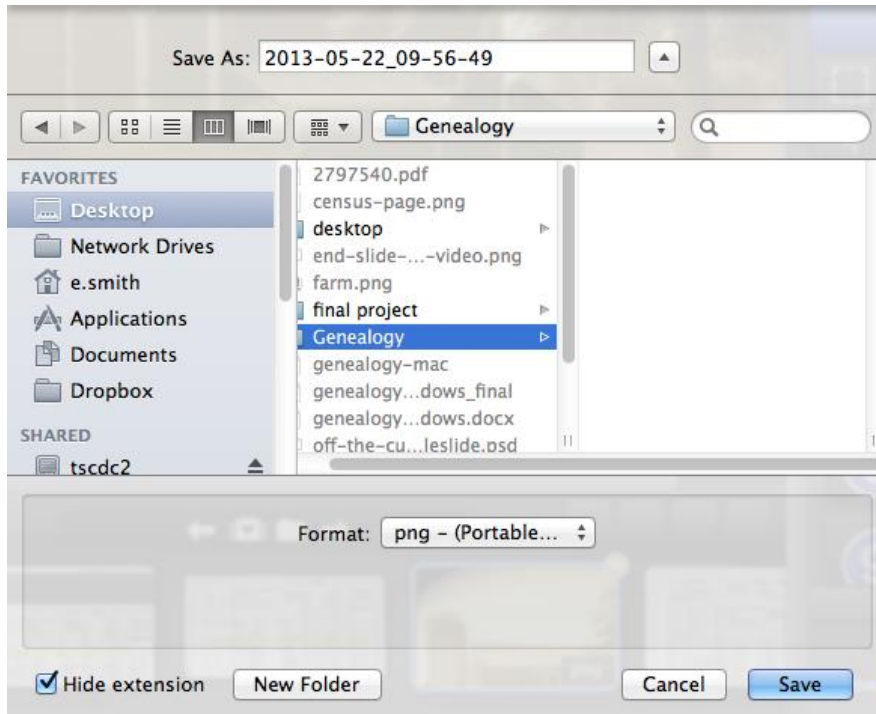
Annotate with Drawing Tools: <http://www.techsmith.com/tutorial-snagit-mac-annotate-with-drawing-tools-prior.html>

Save Custom Styles: <http://www.techsmith.com/tutorial-snagit-mac-save-and-share-styles.html>

Saving and Sharing Your Captures

Saving Your Captures

In Snagit, you can save your captures in multiple common formats including .png, .jpg, or .gif. If your capture includes objects that you want to edit at a later time – such as callouts, arrows, or stamps – save your image in the .snagproj file format. This format will allow you to come back to the image later and make adjustments or move objects around.



1. In Snagit Editor, select File > Save.
2. Choose the save destination.
3. Choose the file format.
4. Name your image and click Save.

Sharing Your Captures

Once you have your image just the way you want it, you may want to share it with others. For example, you can copy the screencast.com output link, and send it via email to a family member so that they can answer questions about individuals who are in the pictures.



1. In the Snagit Editor, select the share destination of your choice.
2. You can expose more outputs by clicking on the more button.
3. Follow the steps for the output you select.

More Resources

To learn more about sharing with Snagit, check out these tutorials:

Sharing with Snagit: <http://www.techsmith.com/tutorial-snagit-mac-sharing-with-snagit.html>

Share to Screencast.com: <http://www.techsmith.com/tutorial-snagit-mac-screencastcom.html>

File Formats Overview: <http://www.techsmith.com/tutorial-snagit-mac-file-formats-overview.html>

Try Snagit now: <http://www.techsmith.com/download/snagit/>

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