Research Guide: *Jamestown Ter-Centennial Exposition of 1907*

**Also known as:** 1907 Jamestown Exposition or 1907 Jamestown Expo.

**Purpose:** To commemorate the 300th founding of Jamestown by English colonists.

**Location:** Sewell’s Point in Norfolk County, Virginia (presently the site of Naval Station Norfolk)

**Opening Date:** April 26, 1907

**Closing Date:** November 30, 1907

**Primary Sources:**

*Published works are available for browsing in SMC’s open stacks unless otherwise indicated. See staff for details.*

**Books and Pamphlets:**


**Guidebooks:**


Thomas, W. F. *Information about Norfolk, Portsmouth: the two cities whose industrial growth and common commercial interests bid fair to result, through civic union, in what may be called greater Norfolk: the Jamestown Exposition, Hampton, Old Point and vicinity*. Norfolk, VA: W.F. Thomas, 1907. Call #: 917.5552 INF

**Governing Bodies of Exposition:**


**Federal Reports and Documents:**


**State Reports and Documents:**


Louisiana. *Louisiana at the Jamestown Tercentennial Exposition, 1907*. s.l: s.n, 1908. Call #: 975.54251 LOU


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**Organizational Reports:**


**Pictorial Pamphlets:**


**Speeches:**


Williams, John Skelton. *Address: Delivered Richmond Day July 18, 1907 at the Jamestown Exposition*. [Richmond, Va.]: [Richmond Press], 1907. Call #: 975.5451 WIL

**Government Records:**

*Jamestown Exposition Minute Books (MSS 0000-175)* – Typed ledgers of minutes and reports for the Jamestown Exposition various governing boards. (SMC Vault)

*Norfolk City Council Minutes* (on microfilm)

*Norfolk Public Schools School Board Minutes* (on microfilm)

1907 Aerial Oblique Postcard of Jamestown Exposition and Hampton Roads harbor.
Maps: (See staff for access)

A Progressive Map: Jamestown Exposition On Hampton Roads Virginia Plan of Exposition Grounds and Buildings, 1907 February 1  SMC Map Collection - Folder 29, Item 13

Progress Map, Jamestown Exposition on Hampton Roads, Virginia, 1907 June 1  
SMC Map Collection – Folder 62, Item 2

Sanborn Fire Insurance Map Database (ProQuest) – Norfolk, Virginia April 1907 (2 sheets)
Online Database at NPL

Periodicals:

Newspapers: (on microfilm)

- *Daily Press* (Hampton/Newport News, VA)
- *Hampton Monitor* (Hampton, VA)
- *Norfolk Landmark* (Norfolk, VA)
- *Norfolk Ledger-Dispatch* (Norfolk, VA)
- *Peninsula Enterprise* (Accomack County, VA)
- *Portsmouth Star* (Portsmouth, VA)
- *Virginian-Pilot* (Norfolk, VA)

Magazines:

- *The Confederate Veteran Magazine*. Bound Periodicals section

Photographs: (See staff for access)

- *Sargeant Memorial Collection Postcard Collection, circa 1900-1980* (MSS 0000-PCC)
- *William R. Hudnall Photograph Collection, circa 1898-1930* (MSS 0000-593)
- *Isabella and Carroll Walker Photograph Collection* (MSS 0000-243)

Special Collections: (See staff for access)

- *Caroline Doonan's Jamestown Exposition Collection, 1907* (MSS 0000-177)  
  Ephemera, other printed materials, and memorabilia from 1907 Jamestown Exposition.
- *Feasibility Study of Restoration of Flag Officer's Quarters* (MSS 0000-176)  
  Documents related to the restoration of surviving Jamestown Exposition buildings now Flag Officers' homes on the Naval Base.
- *Norfolk Public Schools Jamestown Exposition Exhibit Books* (RG 16 0000-001)  
  Contains works by students showcased in exhibit at 1907 Jamestown Exposition.
• Baltimore and Ohio to the Jamestown Exposition Brochure (MSS 2016-050)

• Jamestown Exposition Collection (MSS 0000-131)
  Ephemera, other printed materials, and memorabilia from 1907 Jamestown Exposition.

• Jim Bradshaw Norfolk Memorabilia Collection (MSS 2015-019)
  Ephemera, other printed materials, and memorabilia from 1907 Jamestown Exposition.

• Virginia War History Commission, Norfolk, Virginia Records (MSS 0000-182)
  Contains the general layout of 1919 Norfolk Naval Base and photographs of buildings including those still standing from 1907 Jamestown Exposition.

  Box 16: Organizational Reports – Folder 3: Reports, Item # 1 Photographs
  Box 19: Oversized Materials, 1919 – Folder 2 Map, Naval Operating Base, Hampton Roads, Virginia, 1919

Secondary Sources:


