Open-line

An open-line is generally addressed to the whole community. It allows for one or more questions to be discussed. It invites people of the community to express themselves on air. An open-line requires the collaboration of community radio.

Objectifs

- To acquire the outlook of the community regarding history or a certain topic.
- To provide research leads to document history or a certain topic.
- To rally a community on the subject of history or a common theme.



Development process

PRIOR

- 1. Promote the activity and clearly communicate the objectives.
- 2. Develop a well-defined question.
- 3. Provide an experienced facilitator to lead the discussions.
- 4. Provide someone who is familiar with the research topic to offer clarification, if needed.

DURING

- 1. Host the open-line, while ensuring the collection objective.
- 2. Record and/or take notes of the open-line and the contact information of participants.

SUBSEQUENTLY

- 1. Consolidate the notes taken.
- 2. Follow up with participants in the event that more elaborate discussions may be needed for collection.