

How to Use

Literature Resource Center

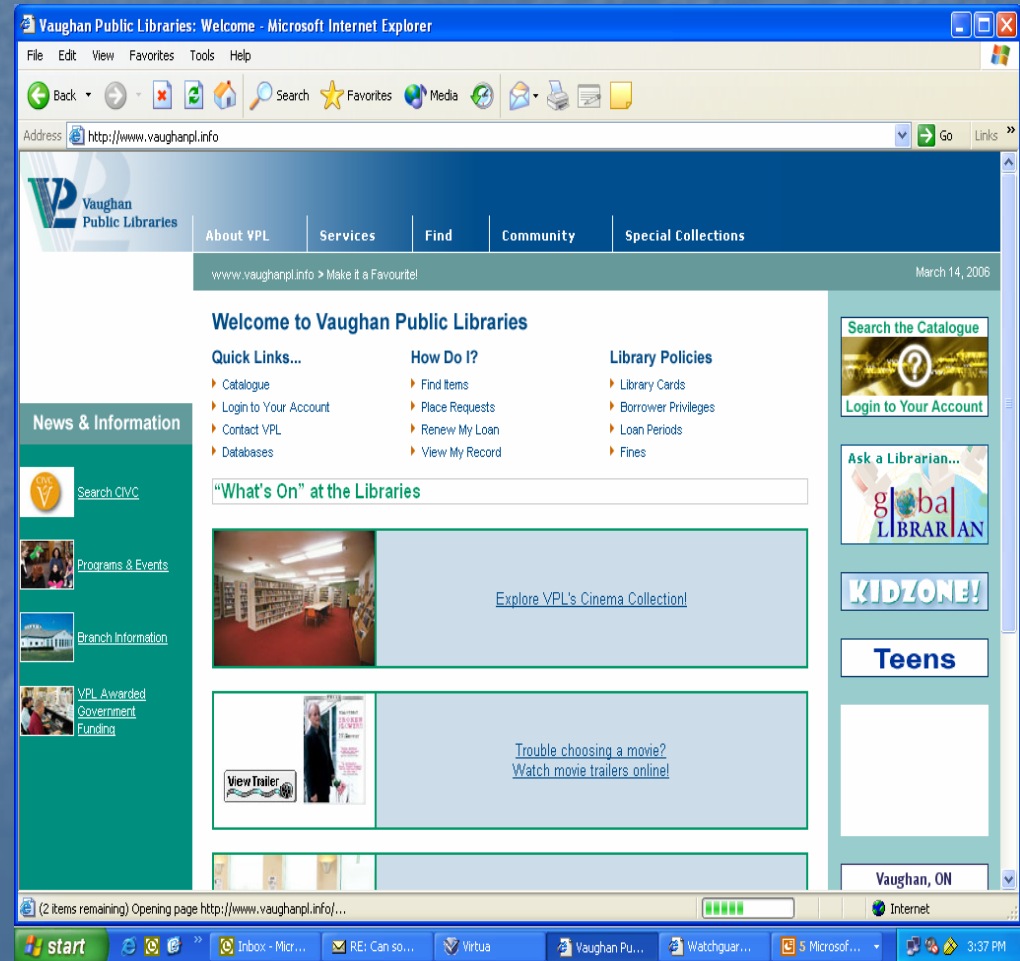
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<http://www.vaughanpl.info/find/databases.php>

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- Provides access to biographies, bibliographies and critical analysis of authors from every period and literary discipline. Covers more than 120,000 novelists, poets, essayists, journalists and other writers, with in-depth coverage of the 2,500 most-studied authors.

Click Literature Resource Center to access the database



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LitFINDER is a literature database comprised of three components: Essay Finder, Story Finder, and Poem Finder. Use the database to find essays, short stories, and poems on a wide variety of subjects, written by various authors.

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Vaughan Public Libraries: Databases' Login - Microsoft Internet Explorer

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Overview

- A complete literature reference database designed for both the undergraduate and graduate student and the sophisticated casual user.
- Rich in biographical, bibliographical and critical content
- Premier Internet resource for information on literary figures from all time periods writing in such genres as fiction, nonfiction, poetry, drama, history, journalism, and more.

The screenshot shows the Literature Resource Center website in a Microsoft Internet Explorer browser window. The browser title is "Literature Resource Center - Microsoft Internet Explorer". The address bar shows the URL: [http://galenet.galegroup.com/servlet\(LIRRC;jsessionid=515F8D6D296BD17256FCD82473200867?locID=thor86190](http://galenet.galegroup.com/servlet(LIRRC;jsessionid=515F8D6D296BD17256FCD82473200867?locID=thor86190). The page header includes "Vaughan Public Libraries" and "Literature Resource Center". The navigation menu includes "Help", "Gale Databases", and "Research Guide". The main content area features an "Author Search" section with a search box and "Search" and "Clear Form" buttons. Below the search box are "Other Searches" options: "Title", "Advanced", "Keyword", "Authors by Type", and "Literary-Historical Timeline". The right sidebar has a "Spotlight on..." section featuring "William Blake" with a portrait and a quote: "When the stars threw down their spears / And water'd heaven with their tears: / Did he smile his work to see? / Did he who made the Lamb make thee?" from "The Tyger". The browser's taskbar at the bottom shows the Start button, several open applications, and the system clock displaying 10:41 AM.

Scope

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- The foundation of LRC is built on Thomson Gale's three hallmark author databases:

Contemporary Authors Online, offering biographical coverage of more than 122,000 writers;

Contemporary Literary Criticism Select, featuring entries on all authors appearing in CLC since vol. 95 of the print series and complete profiles of 266 most studied authors from editions prior to vol. 95;

Dictionary of Literary Biography Online, containing more than 11,000 biocritical essays on authors and their works written by academic scholars.

- Users can access current, full-text critical essays on major authors via the LRC's link to more than 260 prominent literary journals.

Scope

- LRC also includes selected full-text, excerpted, and commissioned critical material from Gale's Literature Criticism and For Students Series. The titles in these series include:

Children's Literature Review

Classical and Medieval Literature Criticism

Drama Criticism

Drama for Students

Literature from 1400 to 1800

Nineteenth-Century Literature Criticism

Literature of Developing Nations for Students

Literature and Its Times

Novels for Students

Poetry Criticism

Poetry for Students

Shakespearean Criticism

Shakespeare for Students

Short Story Criticism

Short Stories for Students

Twentieth-Century Literary Criticism

LITERATURE RESOURCE CENTER

A comprehensive online literary site, Literature Resource Center addresses all facets of literary study in one highly searchable interface. Its extensive reference material includes: biographical, bibliographical, critical, and contextual information on authors and their works. Literature Resource Center's Titles List contains a complete listing of all periodicals and journals within LRC.


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Journal	ISSN	Index Start	Index End	FT Start	FT End	Image Start	Image End
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African American Review Formerly: Black American Literature Forum 3/92	1062-4783	12/1992		12/1992		6/1994	
African Arts	0001-9933	6/2001		6/2001		6/2001	
Albion Incorporated into: Journal of British Studies 1/1/2005	0095-1390	3/2002	9/2004	3/2002	9/2004	6/2002	9/2004
Alfa: Revista de Linguistica	0002-5216	1/2000		1/2000		1/2000	
Alif: Journal of Comparative Poetics	1110-8673	1/2001		1/2001		1/2001	
American Drama	1061-0057	6/2002		6/2002		6/2002	
American Indian Quarterly	0095-182X	6/1992		6/1992		3/1994	
American Journal of Italian Studies	1524-0770	3/1999	9/2000	3/1999	9/2000		
American Journal of Philology	0003-5475	6/1994		6/1994	6/1995		6/1995
American Journalism Review Formerly: Washington Journalism	1067-8654	3/1993		3/1993		7/1994	

Author Search

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- Enables the user to find biographies, bibliographies, and full-text criticism of an author's works and literary career.
- Available from the main screen or the top search bar in all subsequent pages.
- Can search by the author's full name, a part of the name, or variant names and pseudonyms.
- Or, can choose to search using just the start of the name by adding an asterisk to the end of the partial search term.
- It is not case sensitive.



The screenshot shows the 'Author Search' interface. At the top, the title 'Author Search' is displayed in a green font. Below the title is a search input field, a green 'Search' button, and a red 'Clear Form' button. Underneath the search area is a blue header for 'Other Searches:' followed by a grid of search options: 'Title', 'Advanced', 'Keyword', 'Authors by Type', and 'Literary-Historical Timeline'. At the bottom, there is a navigation menu with links for 'Home', 'Help', 'Search Tips', 'Research Guide', 'Gale Databases', 'Contact Gale', and 'Comments'. A footer contains links for 'Copyright' and 'Terms of Use'.

Author Search

Search Clear Form

Other Searches:

Title	Advanced	Keyword
Authors by Type	Literary-Historical Timeline	

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Author Search

- Executing the author search will take the user to an alphabetically arranged results list of author names, followed by author birth and death years.

Search for Author:

 Your search, (Name contains atwood), returned the following results. To narrow your Author search, select Authors by Type Search above.


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Below are items 1-10 of 20 found.

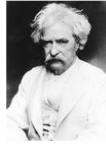
- [Atwood, Isaac Morgan \(1838-1917\)](#)
- [Atwood, Margaret \(1939-\)](#)
- [Easton, Thomas Atwood \(1944-\)](#)
- [Lawrence, Elizabeth Atwood \(1929-2003\)](#)
- [Marshall, S\(amuel\) L\(yman\) A\(twood\) \(1900-1977\)](#)
- [Mencken, H. L. \(1880-1956\)](#)
- [Ptacek, Kathryn Anne \(1952-\)](#)
- [Wasson, David Atwood \(1823-1887\)](#)
- [Arnason, Eleanor \(Atwood\) \(1942-\)](#)
- [Atwood, Ann \(Margaret\) \(1913-1992\)](#)

- If there is only one match, the user will be taken directly to a list of documents for the author.

Current Results

 Your search, **Mark Twain**, returned results in the following categories:

[Biographies](#) [Literary Criticism, Articles, & Work Overviews](#) [Bibliographies](#) [Additional Resources](#) [Literary-Historical Timeline](#)


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Mark Twain
(1835-1910)

Variant(s): Samuel Langhorne Clemens; Samuel Clemens; Quentin Curtius Snodgrass; Sieur Louis de Conte; Thomas Jefferson; S. L. C.

Nationality: American

Genre(s): Adventure fiction; Autobiographies; Children's literature; Essays; Historical fiction; Short stories; Young adult literature; Hoaxes; Speeches; Journalism; Travel literature; Humorous works

Literary Movement/Time Period: American realism (Literature)

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[Update Mark List](#)

Add to Mark List

- Clemens, Samuel Langhorne
"Samuel Langhorne Clemens," in *Dictionary of Literary Biography, Volume 189: American Travel Writers, 1850-1915*, A Brucoli Clark Layman Book, Edited by Donald Ross, University of Minnesota, and James J. Schramer, Youngstown State University, Gale Research, 1998, pp. 65-78.

Title Search

- Enables the user to locate a reference to a work of literature within author biographies, bibliographies, critical essays, and work overviews.
- Can narrow title search by keying an author name.
- It is not case sensitive.

Title Search

Enter the title of a work:

Any words entered
 All words entered
 Exact title

Narrow your search by author name:

Start of last name
 Any words entered
 Exactly as entered

Some examples of title searches

Match any word(s) entered	Match all words entered	Match words exactly as entered
Virginia Woolf	afraid woolf virginia	Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf
clockwork	clockwork orange	a clockwork orange
Spider Woman	woman spider kiss	Kiss of the spider woman
Prometheus	frankenstein prometheus	Frankenstein; or The New Prometheus

Keyword Search

- Enables the user to conduct a broad search against targeted fields in each document.

For example,
entering the
keyword
Psychosis
yields
biographies and
critical essays
that make
mention of
psychosis.

Keyword Search

Psychosis

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Your search, (Keyword=Psychosis), returned results in the following categories:

[Biographies](#) [Literary Criticism, Articles, & Work Overviews](#) [Bibliographies](#) [Additional Resources](#) [Literary-Historical Timelines](#)

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Add to Mark List

Adamov, Arthur Surenovitch
"Arthur Surenovitch Adamov," in *Dictionary of Literary Biography, Volume 321: Twentieth-Century French Dramatists*. A Brucoli Clark Layman Book. Edited by Mary Anne O'Neil. Whitman College. Gale, 2006. pp. 3-17.

Ionesco, Eugène
"Eugène Ionesco," in *Dictionary of Literary Biography, Volume 321: Twentieth-Century French Dramatists*. A Brucoli Clark Layman Book. Edited by Mary Anne O'Neil. Whitman College. Gale, 2006. pp. 234-250.

McGrath, Patrick
"Patrick McGrath", in *Contemporary Authors Online*. (A profile of the author's life and works)

Ballard, J. G.
"J. G. Ballard," in *Dictionary of Literary Biography, Volume 319: British and Irish Short-Fiction Writers, 1945-2000*. A Brucoli Clark Layman Book. Edited by Cheryl Alexander Malcolm, University of Gdańsk, and David Malcolm, University of Gdańsk. Gale, 2005. pp. 3-11.

Authors by Type Search

- Enables the user to identify an author or list of authors using a variety of classifications, including genre, literary movement/time period, nationality, ethnicity, gender, date of birth and/or death.

Authors by Type

To select more than one option within each search box
hold down the CTRL key while making additional selections

Author Name: Start of last name Gender:

Year of Birth: Year of Death:

Author Ethnicity:
African American
Asian American
French Canadian
Hispanic American

Author Nationality:
Aboriginal Australian
African
Algerian
American

Genre:
Adaptations
Adventure fiction
Agitprop
Allegories

Theme:
Abandonment
Absolute (philosophy)
Absurdity
Academia

Literary Movement or Time Period:
Abbaye group
Abstract expressionism
Acmeism
Aesthetic movement

Advanced Search

- Enables the user to construct more powerful field searches simultaneously and use Boolean operators.
- Three search boxes with associated pull-down menus allow the user to enter search terms and select the appropriate fields pertaining to research.
- The user can use Boolean operators from the pull-down at right and establish an "and," "or," or "not" relationship between search terms.
- Some tips:
 - Fulltext is a good search to use if the user looks for a particular line of text or an unusual phrase.
 - Two options for the user to limit the current search by Document Type or by Databases.

Advanced Search

Enter search term(s) and select index type.
Indicate choice of Boolean operators (AND, OR, NOT).

in Author-name contains

in Author-name contains

in Author-name contains

Limit the current search (optional)


Document Type:

Literary-Historical Timeline Search

- Enables the user to target a specific date range for literary figures, movements, and historical events.
- Offers a sociological, cultural, and historical context alongside literary reference.
- Provides the user with a sense of events that took place in an author's life and/or the period in which a work was published, helping to make interdisciplinary connections.
- Selecting a date range or the corresponding image from the timeline will yield results from the range selected.

Literary-Historical Timeline

Your search, **1925 to 1940**, returned the following results:



Classical Antiquity Middle Ages 1500-1659 1660-1797 1798-1834 1835-1881 1882-1903 1904-1918 1919-1929 1930-1950 1951-1965 1966-present

Start date: A.D. End date: A.D.

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- c. 1910-c.1933 Expressionism flourishes as a literary form in Germany, France, Britain, and elsewhere
- c. 1913-c.1939 Modernism flourishes as an English, Irish, and American literary movement
- 1919-1929 The Jazz Age flourishes in the United States
- 1920-1933 The Eighteenth Amendment is enacted, outlawing the manufacture, sale, and consumption of alcoholic beverages in the U.S; the Prohibition Era sees the rise of organized crime, as opportunistic gangsters manufacture and sell spirits to a willing public
- 1922-1925 John Crowe Ransom, Donald Davidson, Allen Tate, and other members of "the Fugitives" school of American poetry publish the quarterly journal *The Fugitive* in Nashville
- 1922-1936 Roder Martin du Gard publishes his eight-part novel

Encyclopedia of Literature Search

- Enables the user to find entries for authors, works, literary landmarks, literary and critical terms, mythological and folkloric figures, fictional characters, literary movements and prizes from the entire 10,000-plus-term resource.
- The user can type in an exact term to get exact results or type in a few letters of a term to get a list of possible matches.

Encyclopedia of Literature

Key in the term you are searching for.

To search for author names, type in last name, first name (e.g., Crane, Hart).

To search on an incomplete word, add an asterisk to your search term (e.g., romanti*).

Search

Clear Form

Other Features

- Authors on the Highway search links the user to the *Publishers Weekly* database listing upcoming author appearances. The user can search by author, title, publisher, city, state, or venue.



Authors on the Highway

Search for author appearances in your area.

Spotlight on...

Ralph Waldo Emerson

A poem, a sentence,
causes us to see
ourselves. I be,
and I see my being,
at the same time.
from *Journals*

- Help center offers detailed explanations on the entire database.



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Navigating Documents	Retrieval Options
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