

MasterFile Premier

Coverage: 1975 to present

Full Text: Yes

Description: This database includes coverage of a wide range of subjects, including biographical information and a photo or "Images" gallery that can be very useful.

Gale Virtual Reference Library and CREDO Reference

Full Text: Yes

Description: Online reference databases that include biographical encyclopedias and other reference works.

HeritageQuest Online

Coverage: Varies

Full Text: Yes

Description: Includes local history journals and periodicals plus additional databases.

Literature Resource Center

Coverage: All eras and genres are represented.

Full Text: Yes

Description: Includes biographical sketches on over 75,000 classical and contemporary authors and their works. (Includes 3 Gale databases *Contemporary Authors*, *Contemporary Literary Criticism*, and *Dictionary of Literary Biography*).

New York Times Index SEE ALSO: ***Print Resources***. Online accessibility is through the **LexisNexis** Database.

Coverage: Full-text articles from the newspaper may be found in **LexisNexis**, which has full-text from June 1, 1980 - present. The database contains abstracts from the newspaper from January 1, 1969 - May 31, 1980.

The index to the newspaper may be found in print from 1851-present on the Reference shelves. (Ref AI 21 N45).

Full Text: Selected full text.

Description: The **New York Times** is "the nation's newspaper." The index may be searched by subject and gives exact references to the date, page, and column on which an article may be found. Many cross-references to names and related topics are given. References to *obituaries* are also included.

WorldCat

Coverage: Approximately 2100 B.C. to the present.

Full Text: No

Description: This is the largest online catalog in the world. It is possible to limit to "Internet Resources" and thereby identify quality resources on the Internet. Enter the words "biography" and area of study or personal name to find biographical Internet sites.

Internet Resources

In the First Person

Location: <http://www.inthefirstperson.com/firp/index.shtml>

Description: An index to personal narratives, such as diaries, letters, and oral histories. Some entries may lead to copyrighted works.

Biography.com

Full Text: Yes

Description: Contains many articles on people from all walks of life. Also contains photos.

SEE: **WorldCat** under ***Electronic Databases***.

Print Resources

Current Biography (Ref CT 100 .C8)

Coverage: 1940 to present.

Description: Published monthly, with a bound annual cumulation. Includes biographical sketches of persons prominent in their fields. Various professions, nationalities, and occupations are included. Information includes name, birth and death dates, and a biographical sketch of around 2,500 words, with portrait and references to sources for additional information. Yearbooks include obituary notices and a cumulated index to all preceding volumes for 10-year periods. Each cumulation contains a classified list by occupations.

Biography Index (Ref Z 5301 .B5)

Coverage: 1946 to present.

Description: Points the user to biographical information contained in books and periodicals. It does not itself contain the biographical sketches. Includes biographies from all fields and nationalities from antiquity to the present.

McGraw-Hill Encyclopedia of World Biography (Ref CT 103 M27)

Description: 12-volume set covers every area of endeavor.

Who's Who Sources:

Who's Who in America (Ref E 663 .W56)

Coverage: 1932-present

Who Was Who in America (Ref E 663 .W55)

Coverage: 1607-present

Who's Who (Ref DA 28 .W6)

Coverage: 1948-present

Description: British equivalent to *Who's Who in America*.

Who Was Who (Ref DA 28 .W65)

Coverage: 1897-1990

Description: British equivalent to *Who Was Who in America*

Who's Who in the South and Southwest (Ref F 208 .W64)

Coverage: 1947-present.

American Men and Women of Science (Ref Q 141 .A47)

Coverage: 1992 – 2004 editions

Description: 8-volume set, published at irregular intervals.

Index to Texas Magazines and Documents (Ref AI 3 .I57)

Coverage: 1986-present

Description: Published by Victoria College/University of Houston-Victoria Library.

Subject-Specialized Biographical Sources:

Dictionary of American Biography (Ref E 176 .D56)

Description: Excellent multi-volume resource of biographical sketches on persons who have made significant contributions to our national past.

American National Biography (Ref CT 213 .A68 1999)

Description: Updated version of the *Dictionary of American Biography*.

Dictionary of National Biography (Ref DA 28 .D47)

Description: The British equivalent of the *Dictionary of American Biography*

Encyclopedia of World Literature in the 20th Century (Ref PN 774 .L433)

Description: This set has brief biographical information on a large number of authors from all over the world. There is an index in Volume 4.

Mantle Fielding's Dictionary of American Painters, Sculptors and Engravers (Ref N 6536 F5 1986)

Baker's Biographical Dictionary of Musicians (Ref ML 105 .B16 2001)

Profiles of Nurse Healers (RT 34 .K44 1998)

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