



LITERATURE RESOURCE CENTER

Full text biographical, bibliographical, and critical content on literary figures from all time periods writing in a variety of genres.

START:

- From workstations in the library, click on the *Montgomery College Libraries* icon. Click on **on-campus**.
- From any on-campus workstation, type the URL: www.montgomerycollege.edu/library/. Click on **on-campus**.
- For off-campus Internet access, type the URL: www.montgomerycollege.edu/library/. Click on **home or work**. The user name is your last name only (lower case) and the Password is your student i.d. number (no dashes or spaces).
- Do not use MyMC to access online databases. Go directly to the Library Web page using the URL listed above.

Select Literature Resource Center located on right side of database list by clicking on it. You will be presented with the search screen.

SEARCH:

Literature Resource Center offers six methods of searching but defaults to the author search. To choose the other five methods, click on the options located just below the author search box.

AUTHOR SEARCH allows you to search by the author's full name, a part of the name, and pseudonyms. Do a search by keying in a full name or any word or combination of words known to be part of the author's name. You can also search using just the start of the name by adding an asterisk (*) to the end of the partial search term. The search is not case sensitive.

The result will be a list alphabetically arranged followed by author birth and death years that match the query.

TITLE SEARCH will look for a title containing any, some, or all the words entered. You may also search for a title by typing into the **Match all words entered box** to return titles containing all words entered. **Match words exactly box** will return titles containing the exact title or phrase entered. When using the exact title search, be sure to include the leading article (the, a, an, etc.). The title search is not case sensitive.

KEYWORD SEARCH allows you to conduct a broad search using specific words or terms.

AUTHORS BY TYPE SEARCH allows you to limit the search using a variety of options specific to the author including genre, literary movement, time period, nationality, and ethnicity. You can select more than one option from the menu by holding down the Control key and highlighting your choices. Using this search you can identify authors who share a common variety of classifications.

ADVANCED SEARCH allows you to use Boolean operators. There are three search boxes with pull-down menus allowing you to enter your search terms and select the appropriate fields pertaining to your research.

LITERARY-HISTORICAL TIMELINE SEARCH allows you to choose a specific date range for literary figures, movements, and historical events. Enter a start date and select A.D. or B.C. Then enter an end date and you will receive a list of historical events, key figures, and movements during the dates entered.

VIEWING RESULTS:

Your author search will produce a result list in alphabetical order by author name followed by year of birth. When you select an author by clicking on the name, you will see a **Tabbed Results Page**. By clicking on the tabs at top of page you can access biographies, literary criticism, articles, work overviews, bibliographies, and additional resources.

PRINTING AND E-MAILING ARTICLES:

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