



## **PATHFINDER: THE FORTIES**

The Niles Public Library District has a variety of resources that may be useful if you would like information about the forties.

### **REFERENCE BOOKS**

**American Decades 1940-1949** (R/973.9/A512; J/R/973.9/A512)

**Chronicle of America** (R/973/C557a)

**Chronicle of the Second World War** (R/940.53/C557)

**Day By Day: The Forties** (R/909.824/L581)

**Facts on File 1941-1945** (R/909.82/F142)

**Modern America 1914-1945** (R/973.9/G823mo)

**Our Times: The Illustrated History of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century** (R/909.82/093)

**Pages of Time** (R/380.10294/P134)

**1940 The Times in Review 1949** (R/909.82/T583fo)

**St. James Encyclopedia of Popular Culture** (R/973.9/S143)

**The Timetables of Science** (R/509/H477t) Includes some information about the forties

**20<sup>th</sup> Century Day By Day** (R/909.82/T971)

**Twentieth-Century America: World War II 1939-1945** (R/973.9/T971)

**Twentieth-Century America: The Cold War at Home and Abroad 1945-1953**  
(R/973.9/T971)

**Twentieth-Century Teen Culture By the Decades** (R/305.235/R754tw)

**Value of a Dollar** (R/332.41/V215)

**Working Americans** (R/305.50973/W926)

### **PERIODICAL INDEX**

This index may be useful if you want to find articles on specific topics.

**Readers' Guide to Periodical Literature**

### **FULL TEXT**

The **Historical Chicago Tribune** covers the forties. Check under specific events or names of people.

If you would like recent articles about what happened in the forties, you may also want to check in:

**MasterFILE Premier** (some full text) UNDER: Nineteen Forties; Specific events in the forties; Specific years in the forties

**WilsonSelectPlus** UNDER: Nineteen Forties; Specific events in the forties; Specific years in the forties

## **PERIODICAL**

The following periodical may be especially helpful:

**Time** Microfilm 1940-1949

## **OTHER PATHFINDER**

You may want to check the World War II pathfinder

## **BOOKS**

Check the Online Catalog under the following subject heading: Nineteen Forties

Or, you may want to browse the following areas: 909.82; 940.53-940.5488; 973.917

The Niles Library has many materials about the forties. Here are some examples. (In many cases you will also find additional books in the Niles Library about the subjects on this list. You may want to look at books that are shelved near the books that are mentioned on this list. Please also check with a reference librarian if you need help in locating additional books.)

### **General (Emphasis on political, cultural, and social events)**

America 1941 (973.917/G823a)

America in the 1940s (973.918/W741am)

Chronicle of the Twentieth Century (909.82/C557) UNDER: Years for the forties

Days of Sadness, Years of Triumph: The American People 1939-1945 (973.917/P455)

Decade of Triumph, the 40s (973.918/D291)

DK Visual Timeline of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century (J/909.82/A217dk; 909.82/A217dk)

Grand Expectations: The United States, 1945-1974 (973.92/P317gr)

A History of the Twentieth Century Volume two (909.82/G465hi)

The Homefront: America During World War II (973.917/H315)

The 1940s: Decade of Triumph and Trouble (973.917/P558ni)

Time Capsule (Volumes for 1940-1945) (909.82/T583)

Time Capsule: History of the War Years 1939-1945 (909.82/T583h)

Wealth and Poverty (330.904/W362) UNDER: Sections for the forties

**African Americans** The following books will include some information about the forties.

From a Raw Deal to a New Deal?: African Americans 1929-1945 (973.0496/Y68fr)

We Changed the World: African Americans 1945-1970 (973.0496/Y68we)

### **Art and Architecture**

Art of Our Century (709.04/A784) UNDER: Years for the forties

History of Art (709/J35hi) Check later chapters for information about the forties.

### **Atomic Bomb**

Hiroshima (940.542521954/H572hi; LP/940.542521954/H572hi)

Working on the Bomb (355.825119/S225wo)

### **Automobiles**

The Automobile: The First Century (629.22209/B955au) Includes some information about the forties

### **Fads**

(The following books cover a number of decades)

Arts & Entertainment Fads (306.403/H711ar)

Panati's Parade of Fads, Follies, and Manias (306.0973/P187pa) UNDER: The Fantasy Forties

### **Fashion**

The 1940s: with 329 Illustrations (391.009044/P356fo)

Decades of Beauty (391.00904/M961de)

Everyday Fashions of the Forties as Pictured in Sears Catalogs (391.009044/E93)

Fashions of A Decade The 1940s (J/391.009044/B168fa; 391.009044/B168fa)

### **Film**

Hollywood Players: The Forties (791.430280922/P233ho)

The Story of Cinema (791.4309/S557) Includes some information about the forties.

### **Holocaust (1939-1945)**

Please check the pathfinder on The Holocaust 1939-1945

### **Niles**

History of Niles Illinois (R/977.31/T994; 977.31/T944hi; Hist Coll 977.31/T994; Ref Desk 977.31/T994)

Includes some information about Niles in the forties

Niles Centennial History 1899-1999 (977.31/N696; J/977.31/N696; R/977.31/N696; J/R/977.31/N696; Ref Desk 977.31/N696) Includes some information about Niles in the forties

### **Presidents**

#### **President Roosevelt**

Forged in War: Roosevelt, Churchill, and the Second World War (940.532241/K49fo)

Roosevelt and Churchill 1939-1941 (940.5322/L343ro)

There are also many biographies about President Roosevelt in the biography section.

**President Truman** These books include some information about the forties.

Tumultuous Years: The Presidency of Harry S. Truman, 1949-1953 (973.918/D687t)

The Truman Presidency: The History of A Triumphant Succession (973.918/P558)

There are also many biographies about President Truman in the biography section.

### **Songs**

#### **Songbooks**

More Songs of the Forties (782.42164/D291mfo)  
Songs of the 1940's (782.42164/D291fo)

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### **CDs**

Billboard Pop Memories 1940-44 (Popular/Coll/Billboard/Pop Memories)  
Billboard Pop Memories 1945-49 (Popular/Coll/Billboard/Pop 1945-49)

## **Sports**

Baseball: An Illustrated History (796.35709/W258ba) Includes some information about the forties.  
Chronicle of the Olympics 1896-1996 (796.48/C557) UNDER: Years for the forties

## **Women**

American Women and World War II (940.53082/W362am)  
Born For Liberty: A History of Women in America (305.4/E92bo) UNDER: Women at War: The 1940s  
The Home Front and Beyond: American Women in the 1940s (305.40973/H333ho)  
Pushing the Limits: American Women 1940-1961 (J/305.4/Y68ma; 305.4/Y68ma) Includes some information about the forties

## **World War II**

Please check the World War II pathfinder

## **NOTE**

This pathfinder was prepared to assist you in locating materials. If you have any questions or require assistance, please ask a Librarian on duty.

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