



## **PATHFINDER: POETRY CRITICISM AND INFORMATION ABOUT POETS**

### **REFERENCE BOOKS**

Contemporary Authors (R/809/C761a); Contemporary Authors New Revision Series (R/809/C761an) Includes poets as well as other types of authors

Critical Survey of Poetry (R/809.1/C934ja)

MasterPlots II (R/809.1/M423po)

Notable Poets (R/809.1003/N899)

Poetry Criticism (R/809.1/P745) (You may also want to check Gale Literature Criticism Online for recently published information.)

Poetry For Students (R/809.1/P745st) (You may also want to check Gale Virtual Reference Library for recently published information.)

Thematic Guide to American Poetry (R/811.009/B967th)

World Poets (R/809.1003/W927)

The following books often also include excerpts of criticism about novels, short stories, and plays in addition to poetry criticism:

Classical and Medieval Literature Criticism (R/809/C614)

Nineteenth-Century Literature Criticism (R/809.034/N714) (You may also want to check Gale Literature Criticism Online for recently published information.)

Twentieth-Century Literary Criticism (R/809.04/T971) (You may also want to check Gale Literature Criticism Online for recently published information.)

Contemporary Literary Criticism (R/809/C761) (You may want to check Gale Literature Criticism Online for recently published information.)

Some of these reference books have cumulative indexes. When there are indexes, it is important to check these in order to find all the information in the reference books about your topic.

### **OTHER PATHFINDERS**

You may want to check some of these other pathfinders

Biographies

Chaucer

Literature

Medieval Literature

Poe, Edgar Allan

Seventeenth Century Literature

Shakespeare

## **INTERNET RESOURCE**

(Especially useful for finding poetry)

<http://www.bartleby.com/verse>

## **FULL TEXT**

Gale Literature Criticism Online UNDER: Names of Poets; Titles of Poems

Gale Virtual Reference Library UNDER: Titles of Poems

MasterFILE Premier (some full text) UNDER: Names of poets (Some of the articles you find may include literary criticism); Titles of Poems

WilsonSelectPlus UNDER: Names of Poets (Some of the articles you find may include literary criticism); Titles of Poems

(In these sources, you may want to search by additional search terms in order to narrow your results.)

## **BOOKS**

Online catalog UNDER: the title of the poem (--especially if it is a very long poem, you may find some books of literary criticism about the poem)

Also, try UNDER: the author of the poem when you search by subject

If you find books, some of them may be biographies. However, some of them (especially if they are in the 800s) may be literary criticism

Browse in R/800-R/896; especially in R/809.1; R/809.1003

## **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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Niles, Illinois 60714  
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