Research Guide to:

BIOGRAPHIES

Call numbers: 92s or under appropriate subject - example: 780s for musicians
Subject headings/keywords: use specific professions or the person's name
For further assistance: Please consult the staff at the Reference Desk or call 816-604-2268
Library home page: http://lvlibrary.mcckc.edu

Begin Search

- Create search question
- Identify keywords from search question
- Combine keywords or concepts with Boolean operators (and, or, not) for use in the appropriate databases

Consult the Library of Congress Subject Headings (red books located at the Reference Desk.) Look up subject to determine any additional topics needed for search.

Reference Books

Current Biography Yearbook
  REF 920 C93c
Dictionary of National Biography
  REF 920 D56d
McGraw-Hill Encyclopedia of World Biography
  REF 920 M17
Chambers Biographical Dictionary
  REF 920.02 C35c
Who Was Who in America
  REF 920.07 W62w
American National Biography
  REF 920.073 Am3n

Electronic Sources

Online Databases
- African-American History Online
- American History Online
- American Indian History Online
- Ancient and Medieval History Online
- Biography Reference Bank
- Greenwood Daily Life Online & World Cultures
- Today

Internet Resources:
Consult recommended Web Links on the Longview Library home page. Scroll down to Biography.

Suggested Web Sites:
- Who2 - 3,000+ Biographies of Famous People, Characters and Creatures
  http://www.who2.com/
- Infoplease: Biography
  http://www.infoplease.com/people.html
- Biography Center: Indexes 10,719 Biographies
  http://www.biography-center.com/
- Congressional Biographical Dictionary
  http://bioguide.congress.gov/biosearch/biosearch.asp
- 4000 Years of Women in Science
  http://www.astr.ua.edu/4000WS/
- Hall of Black Achievement
  http://www.bridgew.edu/HOBA/

Additional Sources

Black Women in America
  305.48 B561w-2
Biographical Encyclopedia of Scientists
  REF 509.2 B52-3
Contemporary Artists
  REF 709 C76-5
Baker's Biographical Dictionary of Musicians
  REF 780.92 B17b 2001
Contemporary Hispanic Biography
  REF 920.0092 C767h
Notable American Women, 1607-1950
  REF 920.72 C767h
Notable American Women: The Modern Period
  REF 920.72 N84-2
Dictionary of Literary Biography
  REF 928 D56
American Indian Biographies
  920.0092 Am35i 2005

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