

Pathfinder to Poetry Resources

at the Escanaba Public Library

Definition of topic

po·et·ry pō/ī-trē n.:

1. The art or work of a poet
- 2a. Poems regarded as forming a division of literature
- b. The poetic work of a given author, group, nation, or kind.
3. A piece of literature written in meter verse
4. Prose that resembles a poem in some respect, as in form & sound.
4. A quality that suggests poetry, as in grace, beauty, or harmony: *the poetry of the dancer's movement*

Poem pō/em n.: a verbal composition designed to convey experiences, ideas, or emotions in a vivid and imaginative way, characterized by the use of language chosen for its sound & suggestive power and by the use of the literary techniques such as meter, metaphor, and rhymes.

Po·et Pō/et n.: A writer of poems, one who is especially gifted in the perception and expression of the beautiful or lyrical.

American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language. 4th Edition. Houghton Mifflin Co., 2000

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LINK TO 

<http://www.escanabalibrary.org>

These examples listed in this pathfinder represent only a small portion of the many resources available through the library.

Visit the library to find Reference resources available.

Scope

This pathfinder was designed to assist all ages in finding resources on the topic of **poetry and poets**. These resources include suggested book titles, web sites, and periodicals. Resources are available through the Escanaba Public Library either on-site or accessed through the web from home and interlibrary loan from the Upper Peninsula Region of Library Cooperation and MeL.

Search - By subject

- Poetry--United States.
- Poets--United States
- Biography (poet's name)

Search - By keyword/term

- Poem
- Poetic
- Poetical
- Poetize
- Poet laureate
- Poetic license
- Poetic justice
- Poeticism

Dewey Decimal

Call # **811** (most titles)
Use this call # to locate a book on the shelf.

Encyclopedia

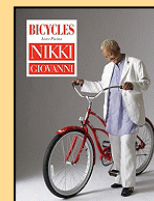
World Book Encyclopedia
2006 Ed. Vol. 15-P,
pg 591-599 **Reference**

Adult Poetry

These print books can be found in the adult non-fiction section of the library.



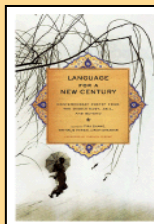
Sleeping it off in Rapid City: poems, new and selected
by August Kleinzahler,
Farrar Straus Giroux, 2008.
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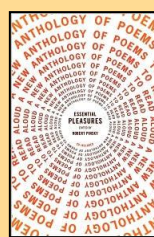
Bicycles: love poems
by Nikki Giovanni,
William Morrow, 2009
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Fire to fire: new and selected poems.
By Mark Doty
Harper, 2008
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Language for a new century: contemporary poetry from the Middle East, Asia and beyond.
By Tina Chang
W.W. Norton, 2008
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Essential pleasures: A new anthology of poems to read aloud.
By Robert Pinsky
W.W. Norton, 2009
808.81 E



Sonata Mulattica: A life in five movements and a short play: poems.
By Rita Dove
W.W. Norton, 2009
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Magazines & journals

Online magazines & journals are available through MeL (Michigan eLibrary) at <http://www.mel.org> Click on Full-Text Magazines and Newspapers- Search Full Text Electronic Journal list by journal title, browse alphabetically, or by subject.

For example:

Poetry Magazine is available through several databases including:

- Academic One File,
- General Reference Center Gold
- InfoTrac Student Edition.

Web articles

The reason behind the rhyme: is rhyme out of fashion? How to know if this old standby has a place in your poem. (Poet to Poet). Marilyn Taylor. **The Writer** 122.2 (Feb 2009): p15. Source: General OneFile

Poetry Power! Fiona McCormack. **Scholastic News** 4. (April 25, 2005): p4. Source: SIRS Discover

Give Us a Sonnet, Doggonit. (Periscope; POETRY) Samantha Henig. **Newsweek**. (Jan 12, 2009): p15. Source: General OneFile

Poetry as Nonfiction. (The View from Here) Jack Miles. **Poetry** (Nov 2007): p138. Source: Expanded Academic

Poetry websites & wiki's

Academy of American Poets, a non-profit organization devoted to the promotion of poetry. You'll find poems, poet biographies, essays, interviews, and poetry recordings. <http://www.poets.org>

Poetry Foundation. (publishes Poetry Magazine). Site contains audio downloads, podcasts, reading guides, and a search feature by poet, genre, and title. <http://www.poetryfoundation.org>

Poets & Writers magazine, a primary source of information, support, and guidance for creative writers. Access to articles, daily news, tools for writers, and contests and award winners. <http://www.pw.org/magazine>

Poetry 180, A poem a day for American high schools from Billy Collins and The Library of Congress. <http://www.loc.gov/poetry/180/>

Teen poetry Wiki at the Internet Public Library <http://www.ipl.org/div/teenpoet/>

National Poetry Events Calendar

Find out what's going on with poetry everywhere. <http://www.poets.org/calendar.php/varClear/1>

Poetry 101: Resources for beginners

Find information on how to read a poem, where to start, a glossary, schools and movements, poetry forms & techniques, reading guides, featured essays, and more. <http://www.poets.org/page.php/prmID/495>

For more information contact the

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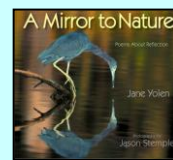
400 Ludington St., Escanaba, MI 49829

(906)-786-7323

<http://www.escanabalibrary.org>

Young Adults/Children's poetry

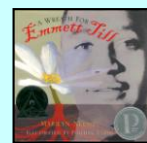
These books can be found in the young adult & children's non-fiction section of the library.



A Mirror to nature: poems about reflection
By Jane Yolen
Boyd's Mills Press, 2009
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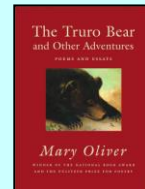
The Trouble with poetry and other Poems.
By Billy Collins
Random House, 2005
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A Wreath for Emmett Till
By Marilyn Nelson
Houghton Mifflin, 2005
811.54 N YA



The War works hard
By Dunya Mikhail
New Directions Publishing, 2005
811.6 M YA



Truro bear & other adventures: poems & essays
By Mary Oliver
Beacon Press, 2008
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Online Interactive Poetry Activities

For an overview of ideas for ongoing Poetry activities link to <http://www.poets.org/>

Create and Publish Notebooks

Curate and share your favorite poems, biographies, essays and recordings.

<http://www.poets.org/page.php/prmID/544>

Read animated poems

Here is an alternative approach to reading and experiencing poetry using text flows. It converts text dynamically into Flash animation and reveals poems phrase by phrase through motion and light at a pace controlled by the reader.

http://www.poets.org/page.php/prmID/531?utm_source=poetsupdate_031809&utm_medium=newsletter

Mobile Poetry

Free and direct access to poetry in the palm of your hand. Poems, biographies & essays in a mobile format.

<http://www.poets.org/page.php/prmID/404>