

## Finding Literary Criticism Books and Journals

### To Search for a Journal

From **Quick Search** on the Prescott Memorial Library home page <<http://www.latech.edu/library>>, click on **Journals**, then type a journal title into the text area, for example *The Explicator*

Click on the **Search** button. Results list availability in printed volumes and online through databases.

**The Explicator**  
Academic Search Complete 1976 to present  
Available in Print (Click here to search the Louisiana Tech Catalog)  
E-Journals from EBSCO Your Access: January 2006 to present  
Literary Reference Center 1976 to present  
Literature Resource Center 1993 to present  
MAS Ultra - School Edition 1985 to present

For full text of articles since 1976, click on **Academic Search Complete**. For library holdings, click on **Available in Print**.

Click on the first **Details** button for **The Explicator** among the **Search Results**.

Scroll down to find that

- the call number of these volumes is **PR1 .E9**
- all issues dating back to 1942 are available except for 58 no. 2 (winter 2000), and
- their location is the Periodicals Collection, Third Floor.

### To Search for a Book

From **Quick Search** on the Prescott Memorial Library home page <<http://www.latech.edu/library>>, click on **Books**, then type a title into the text area, for example *Contemporary Literary Criticism*

Click on the **Search** button. Find this title listed among the **Search Results** and click on the **Details** button.

**Item Information** identifies and describes the book, in this case a series of volumes, including its publisher, place and date or frequency of publication.

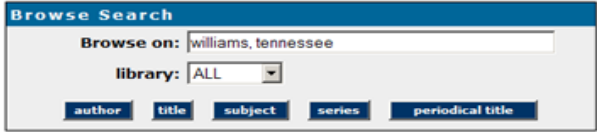
Scroll down to find the call number (or shelf address) **PN771 .C59** of these volumes and that their location is in the Reference Collection on the Main Floor. They are shelved on Index Table #3.

### To Search for Literary Criticism Books

From the Prescott Memorial Library home page <<http://www.latech.edu/library>>, click on **Catalogs**.

Then click on **Prescott Memorial Library Catalog**. From **Basic Search**, click on **Browse Search**.

Type the name of a literary author into the **Browse on** box, last name first – for example, WILLIAMS, TENNESSEE



Then click on the **Subject** button.

Subject headings and subdivisions are listed alphabetically under **Browse Catalog by Subject**.

Books about a literary author are classified by a subject category identified by the author's name and life dates.

Books of literary criticism about the author's works are commonly assigned to the subdivision for CRITICISM AND INTERPRETATION

Click on **WILLIAMS TENNESSEE 1911-1983 CRITICISM AND INTERPRETATION**.

Then click on **Details** for **Item Information** about the Library's copy of a book, its location and status.

If the location is **STACKS**, click on **Call Number Location** for the Library's Floor Directory to determine on which particular floor the book is shelved by call number.

How do you find out whether or where a book addresses the literary work, character or theme of interest to you?  
Examine its table of contents at the front and its index at the back.

Go back to **Browse Catalog by Subject** and click on **WILLIAMS TENNESSEE 1911-1983 CRITICISM AND INTERPRETATION HISTORY**.

Then click on **Details** for #1, an electronic version of Philip C. Kolin's book, *Tennessee Williams: a guide to research and performance*.

This is an electronic book, made available by **NetLibrary**. Because the location given is **NetLibrary**, ignore the call number. Off-campus access is restricted to Tech students and staff with valid ID numbers.

To display this book online, one page at a time, click on the long URL beside the **HTTP** prompt.

Added author: NetLibrary, Inc.  
HTTP: Bibliographic record display  
<http://ezproxy.prescott.latech.edu:2048/login?url=http://www.netLibrary.com/urlapi.asp?action=summary&v=1&bookid=77769> An electronic book accessible through the World Wide Web; click for information

Then click on the **View this eBook** link.

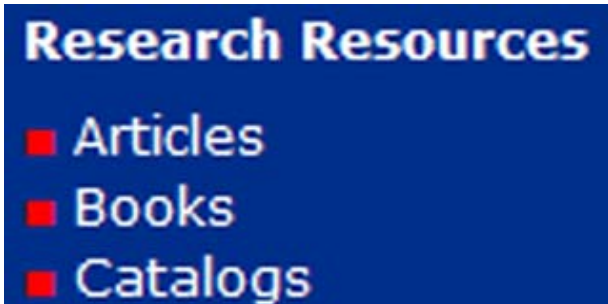


To find out whether or where this eBook addresses the literary work, character or theme of interest to you, use the navigation sidebar to examine the table of contents, to explore an index, or to **Search this eContent** for names, words or phrases.

# Finding Articles, Biographies of Literary Authors, or Overviews, Excerpts and Reprints of Literary Criticism

## To Find Articles

From the Prescott Memorial Library home page <<http://www.latech.edu/library>>, click on **Articles**.

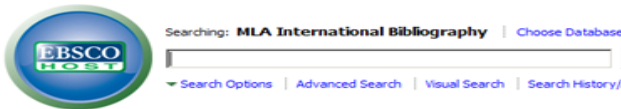


Then click on **Search by Subject**.



Under **Liberal Arts**, click on **Literature**. Then click on the **MLA International Bibliography**.

Under the **EBSCOhost** search box, click on **Advanced Search**.

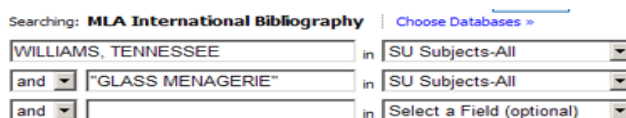


Type a literary author's name, last name first, into the first box beside **Find**: – for example, WILLIAMS, TENNESSEE

Change the **Select a Field** option to **SU Subjects-All**.

To focus the search to articles about a literary work, type a literary title – for example, "GLASS MENAGERIE" – as a phrase enclosed in quotation marks, into the second box and change its **Select a Field** option to **SU Subjects-All**.

To focus the search further, add a character's name, a theme, or other words or phrases in the third box.



Then click on the **Search** button.

The **Results** list identifies articles. It cites each article's title, author's name, the title of the journal or other publication in which it was published, the volume and/or issue number, date of publication, and pages.

Listings are arranged in chronological order by date of publication, the latest first, in pages of ten. Find the first fifty listings on **Pages 1 2 3 4 5** and click **Next** for **Page 6** and beyond.

For **General Subject Areas** and additional **Subject Terms** describing the article, click on the article title. Consider adding these terms to refine your search.

To limit the search by publication type, by publication date, or by adding additional terms, click on **Refine Search**.

To display an article, if available from EBSCO, click on either **HTML Full Text** or **PDF Full Text**.

To get the article by other means available to Tech students and staff, click on

**Check LinkSource for more information**.

Then, under **Resources Found for this Citation**:

- either click on a link to another database, if any, to **Check for Full Text**;

- or click on **Search the Louisiana Tech Catalog** to verify whether or where the volume or issue of the journal you need may be available in the Library;

- or, if the article appears in a journal Tech does not have, click on **Request this item through ILLiad** to submit a request for delivery of the article from another library through the InterLibrary Loan service.

Some articles are designated as (**book article**) rather than as (**journal article**). To find out whether Tech has the book, copy-and-paste the book's title (not the article's title) from **MLA International Bibliography's Results** list to the **Prescott Memorial Library Catalog's Browse Search** box, then click on the **Title** button.

## To Find Biographies of Literary Authors, Overviews, Excerpts and Reprints of Literary Criticism

From the Prescott Memorial Library home page <<http://www.latech.edu/library>>, click on **Articles**. Then click on **Search by Subject**.

Under **Liberal Arts**, click on **Literature**. Then click on the **Literature Resource Center**.

(Note: **Scribner's Writers Series** and **Twayne's Author Series** are subsets of this archive.)

On the **Literature Resource Center's** blue toolbar, at the far right, click on the **Gale Literary Index** button.



Then click on the **Author Search** link.

### Author Search

Find which Gale literature series include entries on an author.

Type a literary author's name into the box – for example, TENNESSEE WILLIAMS – then click on **Search**.

### Author Search

Enter the name of an author:

Name **contains**     **Start of Last Name**

Return Results  ▾

Then click on the link for the author's name, under **Document Title**, to display listings by title and volume numbers of all the **Gale series that include an entry on this author**.

### • Biographies of Literary Authors

Many of the resources listed in Gale's **Literary Index** are biographical dictionaries.

To find out which titles and volumes Prescott Memorial Library has, search its Catalog.

*Some* of these biographical resources are accessible online through the **Literature Resource Center**. Close or minimize the window opened for the **Literary Index**.

Type a literary author's name into the box under the **Literature Resource Center's Author Search**.

### Author Search

Then click on the green **Search** button.

### • Overviews, Excerpts and Reprints of Literary Criticism

Many of the resources listed in Gale's **Literary Index** address specific literary works. Scroll down the alphabetical listings of **Works by the author** to find a literary work of interest – for example, *The Glass Menagerie* – and references to the titles, volume numbers (in bold) and page numbers of resources about it, including introductions for students and collections of excerpted or reprinted literary criticism.

To find out which titles and volumes Prescott Memorial Library has, search its Catalog.

*Some* of these resources of literary criticism are digitally archived and accessible online through the **Literature Resource Center**.

Close or minimize the window opened for the **Gale Literary Index**. Then click on the link to the **Literature Resource Center's Advanced** search option.

Other Searches:		
Title	Advanced	Keyword
Authors by Type	Literary-Historical Timeline	

Type a literary author's name into the first of the three vertically stacked search boxes – for example TENNESSEE WILLIAMS.

Type the title of a literary work into the second box – for example, GLASS MENAGERIE – and change the search parameter to **Title-all words**.

Use the third box to add a character's name, theme or other words or phrases of interest and change the search parameter to **Keyword**.

### Advanced Search

Enter search term(s) and select index type.  
Indicate choice of Boolean operators (AND, OR, NOT).

TENNESSEE WILLIAMS	in	Author-name contains ▾	AND ▾
GLASS MENAGERIE	in	Title-all words ▾	AND ▾
	in	Keyword ▾	
<input type="button" value="Search"/> <input type="button" value="Clear Form"/>			

Click on the green **Search** button. Then click on the tab for **Literary Criticism, Articles, & Work Overviews**.