Looking for: Poetry

Looking for poets or poetry books? Here are some library “call numbers” and topics to get you started!

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Select Poets
(best used with Author searches in the library catalog)

Alexander, Elizabeth
Angelou, Maya
Ashbery, John
Atwood, Margaret
Auden, W. H.
Basho
Baudelaire, Charles
Benet, Stephen Vincent
Berrigan, John
Bishop, Elizabeth
Bly, Robert
Bradstreet, Anne
Brooks, Gwendolyn
Browning, Elizabeth
Barrett
Brodsky, Joseph
Browning, Robert
Bukowski, Charles
Burns, Robert
Byron, George Gordon
Carson, Anne
Chaucer, Geoffrey
Collins, Billy
Coleridge, Samuel
Taylor
Crane, Hart
Creeley, Robert
Doolittle, Hilda (H.D.)
Dunn, Stephen

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Dickinson, Emily
Donne, John
Doty, Mark
Dove, Rita
Ferlinghetti, Lawrence
Frost, Robert
Ginsberg, Allen
Giovanni, Nikki
Gluck, Louise
Hess, Robert
Heaney, Seamus
Hirsch, Edward
Hughes, Langston
Hughes, Ted
Jarrell, Randall
Keats, John
Kerouac, Jack
Kinnell, Galway
Koch, Kenneth
Kooser, Ted
Kumin, Maxine
Larkin, Philip
Levertov, Denise
Levine, Philip
Lorca, Federico Garcia
Lowell, Amy
Lowell, Robert
Lorca, Federico Garcia
Mallarme, Stephane
Marlowe, Christopher
Marvell, Andrew
Masters, Edgar Lee
Merrill, James
Merwin, W. S.
Milosz, Czeslaw
Milton, John
Moore, Marianne
Neruda, Pablo
O'Hara, Frank
Oliver, Mary
Ovid
Pastan, Linda
Paz, Octavio
Pinsky, Robert
Plath, Sylvia
Poe, Edgar Allan
Pound, Ezra
Pushkin, Aleksandr
Rexroth, Kenneth
Rich, Adrienne
Rilke, Rainer Maria
Rimbaud, Arthur
Roethke, Theodore
Rumi
Ryan, Kay
Sandburg, Carl
Sappho
Schuyler, James
Sexton, Anne
Shakespeare, William
Simic, Charles
Soto, Gary
Spenser, Edmund
Stein, Gertrude
Stevens, Wallace
Strand, Mark
Teasdale, Sara
Tennyson, Alfred
Thomas, Dylan
Walker, Alice
Walcott, Derek
Wilbur, Richard
Williams, C. K.
Williams, E. B.
Carlos
Whitman, Walt
Wordsworth, William
Yeats, W. B.
Zukofsky, Louis

Some Library Catalog Keyword Searches to Consider…

African American Poetry
American Poets
Beat Generation Poetry
Best-loved Poems
Children's Poetry
Chinese Poetry
Contemporary Poetry
English Poets

French Poetry
Gardening Poetry
Haiku
Humorous Poetry
Irish Poetry
Italian Poetry
Latin American Poetry
Love Poetry

Modern Poetry
Nature Poetry
Nursery Rhymes
Poetry Collections
Poetry - Audiobooks
Poetry - Authorship
Poetry – History & Criticism
Poetry - Publishing

Poetry Slam
Poets - Biography
Poets Laureate
Religious Poetry
Rhyming Dictionary
Sonnets
Women Poets
Zen Poetry

You can explore any (or all!) of these subjects through Middletown Thrall Library’s Literature Guide (www.thrall.org/literature). Once there, just click on “Poetry in the Library Catalog” and select a title, name, or topic.

Some titles follow on the next page. For more help or suggestions, please speak our Reference Department librarians.
Some Titles to Consider…

Classic Poems, Epic & Narrative Poetry

The Aeneid – Vergil
Aurora Leigh – Elizabeth Barrett Browning
Beowulf
The Bridge – Hart Crane
The Canterbury Tales – Geoffrey Chaucer
The Cantos – Ezra Pound
The Divine Comedy – Dante
Don Juan – Lord Byron
Les Fleurs du Mal – Charles Baudelaire
Four Quartets – T. S. Eliot
Hero and Leander – Christopher Marlowe
Howl – Allen Ginsberg
The Iliad – Homer
Kubla Khan – Samuel Taylor Coleridge

Leaves of Grass – Walt Whitman
The Metamorphoses – Ovid
The Odyssey – Homer
Paradise Lost – John Milton
Paradise Regained – John Milton
The Prelude – William Wordsworth
Rime of the Ancient Mariner – Samuel Taylor Coleridge
Song of Myself – Walt Whitman
Sonnets – William Shakespeare
Sonnets from the Portuguese – Elizabeth Barrett Browning
Songs of Experience – William Blake
Songs of Innocence – William Blake
Spoon River Anthology - Edgar Lee Masters
The Wasteland – T. S. Eliot

Poetry Collections

The 100 Best African American Poems – edited by Nikki Giovanni
Americans' Favorite Poems – edited by Robert Pinsky, Maggie Dietz
Basho: The Complete Haiku by Matsuo Basho
Best American Poetry [by year] – various editors
The Best Poems of the English Language: From Chaucer through Robert Frost – edited by Harold Bloom
A Book of Luminous Things: An International Anthology of Poetry – Czeslaw Milosz
The Collected Poems by Sylvia Plath
The Complete Collected Poems of Maya Angelou - Maya Angelou
The Ecco Anthology of International Poetry – edited by Ilya Kaminsky
Essential Pleasures: A New Anthology of Poems to Read Aloud – edited by Robert Pinsky
The FSG Book of Twentieth-Century Latin American Poetry: An Anthology – edited by Ilan Stavans
Good Poems – edited by Garrison Keillor
New and Selected Poems (Volume One and Two) by Mary Oliver
The Norton Anthology of Poetry – edited by Margaret Ferguson, Jon Stallworthy and Mary Jo Salter
The Oxford Book of American Poetry – edited by David Lehman and John Brehm
The Oxford Book of English Verse – edited by Christopher Ricks
Poetry 180: A Turning Back to Poetry – Billy Collins
The Poetry of Pablo Neruda by Pablo Neruda
The Poets Laureate Anthology – edited by Billy Collins
Sailing Alone Around the Room: New and Selected Poems by Billy Collins
She Walks in Beauty: A Woman’s Journey Through Poems – Caroline Kennedy
Till I End My Song: A Gathering of Last Poems – edited by Harold Bloom
The Vintage Book of Contemporary American Poetry – edited by J.D. McClatchy

Learning about Poetry

Fooling with Words: A Celebration of Poets and Their Craft – Bill Moyers
How to Read a Poem: And Fall in Love with Poetry – Robert Hirsch
The Making of a Poem: A Norton Anthology of Poetic Forms – Mark Strand, Eavan Boland
The Ode Less Travelled: Unlocking the Poet Within – Stephen Fry
A Poetry Handbook – Mary Oliver