

Library of Texas – Advanced Searching

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Search multiple Texas library catalogs and subscription-only databases simultaneously.

Advanced Search Options:

Choose the specific search field(s) – Author, Title, Subject, Abstract, ID number or All – in which to conduct your search. You may limit your search by publication year – Before, After, or At a specific year.

Note: Library catalogs rarely support the Abstract field, but databases usually do.

Sample Author Search:

You are looking for works that have been written **by** the novelist Joyce Carol Oates.

1 Choose the **Subject Area** in which to search. Each subject area contains a selection of library catalogs and databases that are most relevant to the subject category you have chosen. Here, a good choice is the **Literature & Criticism** subject area.

2 Enter your **Search Word(s)** into the search box and choose the **Field** in which to search. Only items matching all search words will be displayed. Here, we are looking for Joyce Carol Oates as an Author.

3 Select in which **library catalogs** and **databases** you would like to search.

Search!

Search Results:

LIBRARY OF TEXAS
Texas State Library and Archives Commission

Austin Public Library

Home Clear Help

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Search in my selected resources:
au=oates, joyce carol
[Advanced search](#)

Searching 11 databases 100% finished

✓		
✓	243	Academic Search (EBSCO)
✓	65	ACCD - San Antonio College
✓	63	Baylor University
✓	13	Comfort Public Library

Next

Baylor University
Results 1 - 10 of 63 Load all records from server and sort by [Title](#), [Date](#)

- [I lock my door upon myself / - 1990](#)
- [Banquet : - 1978](#)
- [Black water / - 1992](#)
- [Conversations with Joyce Carol Oates / - 1989](#)
- [Ein Garten irdischer Freuden : - 1985, 1981](#)
- [Haunted : - 1994](#)
- [Wonderland / - 1992](#)
- [The Oxford book of American short stories / - 1992](#)
- ["Where are you going, where have you been?" / - 1994](#)
- [The perfectionist and other plays / - 1995](#)

Results:
Click on the library catalog or database name to see the results.
The first 10 results from *Baylor University* consist of :
10 books

Results Symbols Key:



Book

Request a book through inter-library loan or search online bookstores to purchase the item.



Electronic Resource

Electronic books and articles from databases. Articles may be available in full-text online. If not, request the source through inter-library loan.



Physical Article

An article that is not available online. Request through inter-library loan.



Video recording

Video cassette or dvd. Request through inter-library loan or search online bookstores to purchase the item.



CD

Request through inter-library loan.

Sample Subject Search:

You are now looking for works that have been written **about** Joyce Carol Oates, not **by** her. Select Joyce Carol Oates as the **Subject**, not the Author. Only works about Joyce Carol Oates should result.

Subject Areas

- Business Information
- General Information
- History & Genealogy
- Homework & Education
- Librarian Tools
- Literature & Criticism**
- Medicine & Health
- Newspapers & Magazines
- Science & Technology
- Spanish Materials

My favorites

- lib

Personal settings

- Build a group of favorites
- See your search history
- Delete all your favorites

Advanced search - Literature & Criticism

Subject
Author
Published: After Year

Public Libraries	Academic Libraries
<input type="checkbox"/> Bryan and College Station Public Library System	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACCD - San Antonio College
<input type="checkbox"/> Bulverde / Spring Branch Library	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Baylor University
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Comfort Public Library	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sam Houston State University
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Coppell - William T. Cozby Public Library	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> St. Mary's University Library
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tom Green County Library System	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UT Austin (via OCLC)

Online Resources: Academic Search (EBSCO)

Other: (No libraries)