Finding Multicultural Materials

Multicultural refers to books, regardless of genre, that have as the main character a person who is a member of a racial, religious, or language culture other than Euro-American. The Goldstein library has a large collection of multicultural works spread throughout the library. For a short list of some materials you should see the Juvenile literature and other information resources for ESL students document.

How to search for multicultural materials

By Subject

1. Go to the Goldstein Library webpage at: http://slis.fsu.edu/About-The-School/The-Goldstein-Library.
2. Click on the “Advanced Search” link under the FSU Libraries Catalog search box on the right-hand side of the page. This allows for advanced searching by subject. Some common subject headings would be “multicultural”, “ethnic” and “bilingual”.
3. Type in “multicultural” in the first box. In the box beside it select the option to search by subject headings. You can also limit your search to the Goldstein Library by going further down the page, clicking on the “Location” tab and select “Goldstein Library”. Your page should look like this:
4. Press search to go to the results screen. The column on the left allows the search to be narrowed further. For example, once the search has been limited to the Goldstein library, if you would like to find books for juveniles you can click the “Juvenile” or “Easy and Picture Books” links under the Library Collection heading. This will only display results from Goldstein’s associated collections.

By Award

1. Go to the Goldstein Library webpage at: http://slis.fsu.edu/About-The-School/The-Goldstein-Library.

2. In the FSU Libraries Catalog search box on the right-hand side of the page select Subject Heading from the drop-down menu. As an example, to do a search for the Coretta Scott King Award winners, type “Coretta Scott King Award” into the search box. The search page should look like this:

Information Resources

- Search Articles, Databases A - Z, E-Journals
- SLIS E-resources: database by subject; LibGuides
- Communication E-resources: database by subject; LibGuides
- Communication Disorders E-resources: database by subject; LibGuides
- Children’s Literature Resources
- Search Engines & Other Useful Links
- Open Access Sources of Interest
- Other FSU Libraries

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Coretta Scott King Award

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3. Press search to go to the results screen. The column on the left allows the search to be narrowed further. To limit the search results to Goldstein’s collection click on “GOLDSTEIN LIBRARY” under “Library/Collection.” This will only display results from Goldstein’s associated collections.

4. The results page should return a list of results who have won or been nominated for the Coretta Scott King Award. Most award winning books are shelved separately, so you will need to click on the detailed record for the item to find its location. For example, this is a part of the detailed record for the book Copper Sun by Sharon Draper. It is focused on the bottom of the record, which is where the NOTES are listed. You can see that this book is located in the “Other Awards Display” collection.
Online Multicultural Resources

Awards for Multicultural Youth Literature. Available at http://www.pages.drexel.edu/~dea22/multaward.htm
Webpage sponsored by Drexel University that lists most awards for multicultural juvenile literature.

Cooperative Children’s Book Center's page on Multicultural literature. Available at http://www.education.wisc.edu/ccbc/books/multicultural.asp
Webpage sponsored by the University of Wisconsin that includes many online resources like booklists, and links to other relevant pages about multicultural literature.

International children’s digital library. Available at www.icdlbooks.org/
Online digital library of children’s books from around the world, most written in their native languages.

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Online

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