Arts & Humanities Subject Guide

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If you’ve used NBC Learn before, read on for information about videos related to Arts & Humanities.

Content Highlights
NBC Learn has thousands of archival, current events, and original videos for Arts & Humanities, including extensive resources on the topics below.

Dance
Find recordings of performances as well as artist profiles.

Gathering of Nations Performs Traditional Dance
Indian Classical Dance in the Modern World
Misty Copeland: A Ballerina Who Is Making History

Literature
Find in-depth interviews with writers discussing their works.

Ralph Ellison on “Invisible Man”
Maxine Hong Kingston discusses “The Woman Warrior”
Pulitzer Prize-Winning Author Junot Diaz on His Newest Novel

Music
Find original mini-documentaries, interviews with musicians, and news stories about music programs.

Billie Holiday, Lady Day
The Science of a Steinway Piano
John Williams on Composing
Pop Culture
Find news stories, original mini-documentaries, and interviews related to pop culture.

The Rise of Television
Run-D.M.C. Artists Discuss Hip Hop
Snapchat CEO Aims to “Change How People Communicate”

U.S. History
Find archival news broadcasts, speeches, and original mini-documentaries that recap important moments from US History.

Plessy v. Ferguson
Chronicles of Courage: Pearl Harbor
President Nixon Resigns

Visual Arts
Find artist profiles as well as news stories on recent exhibitions, technology in art, and community art initiatives.

Leonardo DaVinci, Renaissance Man
British Street Artist Banksy Opens the Walled Off Hotel in West Bank
Google Art Is An “Immersion Experience”

World Cultures
Find original mini-documentaries and news reports depicting ancient and modern cultures from around the world.

The Code of Hammurabi
Louis XIV, an Absolute Monarch
An Exploration of Bhutan’s Spirituality and Local Customs
NBC Learn Series

Chronicles of Courage: Stories of Wartime and Innovation
Veterans of WWII, including eyewitnesses to Pearl Harbor, discuss their experiences and the technology used in the conflict.

Common Errors in English
These humorous one-minute videos explain some of the most common mistakes in writing and grammar.

Finishing the Dream: Learning from the Civil Rights Era
This collection includes archival news broadcasts and speeches from the Civil Rights Era as well as contemporary discussions of race in America.

Hidden Planet with Richard Engel
NBC News chief foreign correspondent Richard Engel gives viewers rare access to cultural landmarks around the world.

Making a Difference & Inspiring America
The human interest series from NBC Nightly News profile individuals and organizations making a difference in their communities.

NBC Learn Original Social Studies Videos
2-6 minute mini-documentaries describe events and figures from ancient times through the modern era.

Where in the World Is Matt Lauer
This series features Today Show co-host Matt Lauer as he explores the geography and culture of countries from Russia to Namibia.

Word Roots
These 90 second animated videos demonstrate the Latin roots of common vocabulary words.

Writers Speak
Authors from all genres speak about the process of writing and influences on their work.

Writers Speak to Kids
Popular children’s and young adult authors speak about their inspiration and lend advice to aspiring authors.
Search Tips
To view all NBC Learn videos for a topic, you can browse by collection using the left-side menu.

To do a basic search, type a keyword in the search box on the upper right corner of the webpage, where it says "Search NBC Learn."

Alternately, you can use the Advanced Search feature, located next to the Browse feature at the top of the left-side column:

After you browse or search, you will see a results page. To narrow your results, use the filtering tools on the left side of the page. You can narrow your results by Event or Air/Publish Date, Collection, Source, or Type.

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