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Brignano, Russell C. Black Americans in Autobiography: An Annotated Bibliography of Autobiographies and Autobiographical Books Written Since the Civil War. Revised ed. Durham, NC: Duke University Press, 1974. Ref. E185.96.B81 1974

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Although basically a bibliography, it is very useful for identifying artists and where their work has been published.

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A directory of published authors, living at the time of publication. Very useful in identifying lesser known authors. Separate title index. List of Black publishers, although the information is now dated.

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Fairly short biographical sketches of jazz musicians active during the period. Photographs in separate sections.

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Almost 600 biographical sketches of individuals who worked from 1900 to 1977. Indexes to films, radio and television shows, songs, and names.

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African American Literature

African American Music

African American Politics

African American Resource Guide

African American Religion

American Studies

Asian American Literature
Asian American Resource Guide
Electronic Resources for Ethnic Studies
Funding Opportunities for Faculty Research
Feuchtwanger and Jewish Emigres in L.A.
Gender & Ethnicity Resources
The Harlem Renaissance
Historic Documents on the Internet
Immigration and the United States
Jewish American Resources
Los Angeles: Past, Present, and Future
Mexican American Artists
Mexican American Literature
Mexican American Resource Guide
Minorities and the Media
Native American Resource Guide
Racial Discrimination and Prejudice
Recordings about Minorities in the USC Libraries
Scholarship Resources for Minority Students
Videorecordings about Minorities in the USC Libraries