

Women Poets of the Romantic Period: University of Colorado Boulder's PCC Wikidata Pilot Project

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PCC Participants Meeting

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Women Poets of the Romantic Period (CU Boulder):

<https://cudl.colorado.edu/luna/servlet>

- first and early editions of poetry by women writers of the British Romantic Period (1770-1839)
- 425+ volumes; written by women of every class of society

Stainforth Library of Women's Writing (Santa Clara):

<https://stainforth.scu.edu/>

- digitized version of Francis Stainforth's (1797-1866) private library catalog
- 7100+ editions, 2800+ writers

While some of the writers in these collections are very well-known, many are women who have been left out of literary and book histories.

WPRP and Wikidata

- CU Boulder team's involvement with WPRP originated as a NACO/VIAF authority record project
 - greater exposure for the little-known women poets
- Evolved into a convergence of all our identifier work
 - NACO/VIAF, ISNI, Wikidata
- Folded into PCC's Wikidata Pilot
- Creating new NACO and ISNI records as needed
- Creating new Wikidata entities
- Adding NACO, VIAF and ISNI identifiers to existing Wikidata items
- Adding URLs to WPRP and the Stainforth Library of Women's Writing collections to all Wikidata items

Results

(initial cohort of 200 poets)

- 51 new NACO records (ca. 25% of cohort)
- ca. 50% needed new or revised ISNI records
- 86 new Wikidata items, 39 enhanced with identifiers (ca. 60% of the cohort)
- added Wikidata ID to NACO 024

Meet Cousin Clara! (Q89132109)



- Main page
- Community portal
- Project chat
- Create a new Item
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- Lexicographical data
- Create a new Lexeme
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Cousin Clara (Q89132109)

English poet



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Language	Label	Description	Also known as
English	Cousin Clara	English poet	
Spanish	No label defined	No description defined	
Traditional Chinese	No label defined	No description defined	
Chinese	No label defined	No description defined	

[All entered languages](#)

Outcomes

- Pilot participants
 - Anna Ferris, Carole Griffin, Donna Hamilton, Jim Kalwara, Emily Semenoff, Chris Long
- Greater Web presence for the poets, WPRP, and the Stainforth Library
- Trained trainers for larger-scale Wikidata projects involving more participants
- Hands-on linked data experience for our staff

Possibilities for Future Work

- Add more details to project's Wikidata items?
 - would aid querying and reveal relationships
 - coordinate a Wikidata edit-a-thon involving students?
- Work on the remaining set of women poets?
 - create a more robust template?
- Create Wikidata items for their works?
- Creating/enhancing Wikidata items for CU Boulder faculty

Links

Project Page:

https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Wikidata:WikiProject_PCC_Wikidata_Pilot/University_of_Colorado_Boulder

Dashboard:

https://outreachdashboard.wmflabs.org/courses/University_of_Colorado_Boulder/PCC_Wikidata_Pilot_-_University_of_Colorado_Boulder

Thank you!