

On the Scene: Reference for Film, TV, Music and Video Games

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Why Media Reference?

- In BCCLS, Media = 36.74% of circ in 2009

<http://www.bccls.org/buckles/stats/CircAnnual/2009.pdf>

- >2/3 of American households play games

<http://www.theesa.com/facts/index.asp>



Media Reference - Opportunities

- Opening an ongoing dialogue
- Expanding our knowledge base
- Reaching out to remote audiences

Media Reference - Innovations

- RSS is essential



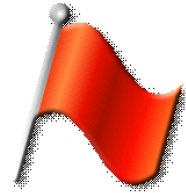
- Streaming Audio and Video



hulu

Media Reference – Challenges

- Few comparable resources to NoveList, Literary Reference Center, etc. exist
- Online information can be overwhelming, often user-generated



Movies – Release Dates

- When does ____ come out...

- In theaters? - ComingSoon.net

<http://www.comingsoon.net/movies.php>



- On DVD? – VideoETA

<http://videoeta.com>



Movies – Reviews

- Where can I find reviews of _____?

- RottenTomatoes

More reviews, lesser known sources

<http://www.rottentomatoes.com>



- Metacritic

Fewer reviews, better known sources

<http://www.metacritic.com>



Movies – Cast and Crew

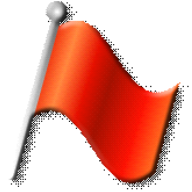
- Who played _____ in _____?
- How many movies did _____ direct?

- The Internet Movie Database

<http://www.imdb.com>



Movies – Quotations (p.1)



- Who said “_____?”

- IMDB (memorable quotes)



<http://www.imdb.com>

Best used for identifying the speaker/film

User-generated content may cause problems

Movies – Quotations (p. 2)

- What's that line from _____?

- YouTube



<http://www.youtube.com>

- The Dictionary of Film Quotations

Corey, M. and Ochoa, G.

New York: Crown, 1995

Movies – News

- Where can I learn more about _____?

- Entertainment Weekly's EW.com



<http://www.ew.com>

- /film: Blogging the Reel World



<http://www.slashfilm.com>

- Ain't It Cool News



www.aintitcool.com

Movies - Advisory

- Where can I find more movies like _____?

- AllMovie

<http://www.allmovie.com>



Tags include themes, content, MPAA ratings

Movies – Books to Film

- Is _____ being made into a movie?

- EarlyWord:

<http://www.earlyword.com>





- Is _____ based on a book?

- IMDB

<http://www.imdb.com>



Television - Recaps

- Where can I find what happened on ___?
 - Official network sites (CBS, FOX, NBC)
 - Television Without Pity 
<http://www.twop.com>
 - The A.V. Club 
<http://www.avclub.com>

Television – On DVD

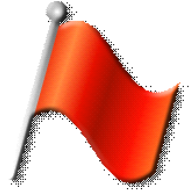
- When will ____ be available on DVD?



- TVShowsonDVD.com

- <http://www.tvshowsondvd.com>



Television – Episodes



- Where can I watch episodes of ____?
 - Hulu (free – for now)
<http://www.hulu.com> 
 - Itunes (\$)
<http://www.apple.com/itunes> 
 - Network Web sites (price varies by show)

Television - Schedules

- What day and time is _____ on?

- Zap2It TV Listings

<http://www.zap2it.com>



Television – Spanish Language

- Telemundo

<http://msnlatino.telemundo.com/>

- MegaTV

<http://www.mega.tv/>

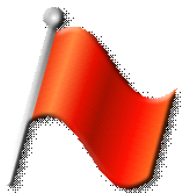
- Univision/Telefutura
- V-Me (Public TV)

<http://www.univision.com> 

<http://www.vmetv.com/>

- TV Azteca

<http://www.tvazteca.com/>



Most sites lack English translation

Music – Reviews

- Is _____ supposed to be any good?

- Metacritic

<http://www.metacritic.com>



- AllMusic

<http://www.allmusic.com>



Music – Sheet Music/Tablature

- How do I play _____?

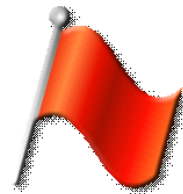
- Sheet Music

Newark Public Library's Song Index
Searchable in Library

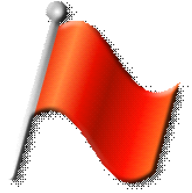
- Tablature

TabCrawler.com

<http://www.tabcrawler.com>



Music – Lyrics



- What are the words to _____?
 - Official band/Label Web sites
 - Sheet Music
 - YouTube

<http://www.youtube.com>



Music - Identification

- What's that song by ____ that goes ____?

- AllMusic

<http://www.allmusic.com>



- MusicBrainz

<http://musicbrainz.org>

If the song was on the radio, check the radio station's Web site for a playlist.

Music - Advisory

- I really like _____. What else should I try?

- AllMusic

<http://www.allmusic.com>




- Pandora Radio

<http://www.pandora.com>



Music – Setting the Tone

- I need a good song to play at my ____.
- AllMusic
<http://www.allmusic.org> 
- Subject Guide to Classical Instrumental Music
Goodenberger, J.
Metuchen: Scarecrow Press, 1989



Music – Concerts

- When is _____ coming to town?

- Pollstar

<http://www.pollstar.com>

- Songkick

<http://www.songkick.com>

Video Games – Winning

- How do I beat _____?
 - GameFAQS
<http://www.gamefaqs.com>
 - IGN
<http://faqs.ign.com> 
 - Look for: FAQs, walkthroughs, cheats



Video Games – Release Dates

- When does ____ come out for ____?
 - VGReleases.com
<http://www.vgreleases.com>
 - Remember – The same game may be released at different times on different systems!

Video Games – Reviews

- What are the best games for _____?

- 8bitlibrary



- <http://blog.8bitlibrary.com>

- AllGame



- <http://www.allgame.com>

- Metacritic



- <http://www.metacritic.com>

Video Games – Old School!

- I used to play _____ at the arcade...

- Arcade-History (coin-op games)

<http://www.arcade-history.com>

- Twin Galaxies (high scores)

<http://www.twingalaxies.com>



Other Resources

- Databases
 - Pop Culture Universe (\$) <http://pop.greenwood.com>
 - EBSCOHost MasterFILE Premier
- Check out Pop Goes the Library!
 - <http://www.popgoesthelibrary.com/>