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Famous Oklahomans

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Famous Oklahomans

Athletes

Aikman, Troy (1966) Henryetta

Football

<http://www.aikman.com/index.shtml>
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Troy_Aikman



Bench, Johnny (1947) Oklahoma City

Baseball

<http://www.johnnybench.com/biography.php>

Berry, Ote () Checotah

Steer wrestler

<http://prorodeo.org/News.aspx?xu=222>

Blake, John (1961) Norman

University of Oklahoma head football coach from 1996- 1998

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/John_Blake_\(American_football\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/John_Blake_(American_football))

Bosworth, Brian (1955) Oklahoma City

University of Oklahoma and Settle Seahawks, Football player

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Brian_Bosworth

Brown, Freckles (1921- 1987)

Legendary rodeo bull rider and clown

<http://www.lanefrost.com/frecklesbrown.htm>

Brown, Terry () Stillwater

OSU and Minnesota Vikings football player

Bryan, Casey (1975)

Gymnast, World Champ

<http://www.usa-gymnastics.org/athletes/bios/b/cbryan.html>

Buwick, Greg () Norman

University of Oklahoma gymnastics coach

<http://www.rbt.com/index.php?ID=198>

Carter, Joe (1960) Oklahoma City

Major League Baseball Player

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Joe_Carter

Casillas, Tony (1963) Tulsa

National Football League Player

<http://www.hickoksports.com/biograph/casillas.shtml>

Chandler, Don (1934) Muskogee

National Football League
1956-1964 New York Giants
1965-1976 Green Bay Packers

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Don_Chandler

Comaneci, Nadia () Oklahoma City

1976 and 1980 Olympic Gymnast

<http://www.bartandnadia.com/bionadia.html>

Connor, Bart () Oklahoma City

1984 Olympic gold medalist, gymnastics

<http://www.bartandnadia.com/biobart.html>

Cross, Kendall () Mustang

1996 Olympic gold medal, wrestling

<http://www.wrestlinghalloffame.org/awards/?dm&honoree=793>

Dark, Alvin (1922) Comanche

Baseball player 1946-1960

Baseball Manager 1961-1977

<http://www.thebaseballpage.com/players/darkal01.php>

<http://www.thealvindarkfoundation.org/>

Dean, Jerome Hanna "Dizzy" (1910- 1974) Purcell and Okemah

Part of the 1934, St. Louis Cardinals "Gas House Gang," Baseball

<http://www.encyclopediaofarkansas.net/encyclopedia/entry-detail.aspx?entryID=13>

<http://www.baseball-almanac.com/dugout0c.shtml>

Dobbs, Glenn (1920) Tulsa

Football player, various teams,

University of Tulsa head football coach 1961-1966

<http://www.footballresearch.com/articles/frpage.cfm?topic=dobbs>

http://tulsahurricane.cstv.com/genrel/dobbs_glenn00.html

Ferguson, Tom (1950) Tahlequah

6 time All-around World Champion rodeo cowboy 1947-1979

<http://www.hickoksports.com/biograph/fergusontom.shtml>

Frost, Lane (1963- 1989) Lane

World champion bull rider 1987

<http://www.lanefrost.com/lanesbiography.htm>

Hubbell, Carl (1903- 1988) Meeker

National League Most Valuable Player in 1933 and 1936; All-Star (9):
1933-1938, 1940-1942

<http://www.carlhubbell.com/index.htm>

Hanks, Jarrod (1969) Norman

1992 and 1996 Olympic Gymnast

<http://www.usa-gymnastics.org/athletes/bios/h/jhanks.html>

Haskins, Don (1930) Enid

1966 NCAA Championship team coach at University of Texas, El Paso

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Don_Haskins

Iba, Henry P. (1904- 1993) Stillwater, Oklahoma City

Oklahoma State University Basketball coach and a mentor to the US Olympic teams 1964 and 1968

<http://www.okhistory.org/enc/iba.htm>

Jenkins, Ferguson (1943) Oklahoma

Major League Baseball Pitcher, Various teams, 1961- 1982
Oklahoma Sports Museum 1992 founder

<http://www.answers.com/topic/ferguson-jenkins>

Johnson, William "Skinny" (1911) Oklahoma City

3 Big Six Conference Titles for the University of Kansas

<http://www.hoophall.com/halloffamers/bhof-william-johnson.html>

Kolb, Jon (1947) Owasso

Pittsburg Steelers, National Football League 1969-1981

<http://www.answers.com/topic/jon-kolb>

Largent, Steve (1954) Tulsa

Settle Seahawks, National Football League 1976-1989, US Congressman 1994- 2002

http://www.profootballhof.com/hof/member.jsp?player_id=123

<http://www.ctia.org/aboutCTIA/president/>

<http://www.odl.state.ok.us/usinfo/congress/105cong/largent105.htm>

Lockwood, Paul () Norman

University of Oklahoma Tennis Coach

http://www.soonersports.com/ViewArticle.dbml?DB_LANG=C&SPID=205&SPORT_TAB_SEL=01&DB_OEM_ID=300&SPSID=2799&&ATCLID=16895

Lopez-Knight, Nancy (1957) Tulsa

Golfer Ladies Pro Golf Association

<http://www.nancylopezgolf.com/pagecontent.aspx?Page=1>

Ludvigson, Carol () Norman

University of Oklahoma Golf Coach

http://www.soonersports.com/ViewArticle.dbml?DB_LANG=C&SPID=204&SPORT_TAB_SEL=01&DB_OEM_ID=300&SPSID=2778&&ATCLID=13195

Mantle, Mickey (1931- 1995) Spavinaw

1951- 1969 New York Yankee's Major League Baseball Player

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

Martin, J.D. () Norman, Edmond

Track and field coach currently at The University of Central Oklahoma; previously head coach for the University of Oklahoma for 33 years.

http://www.bronchosports.com/ViewArticle.dbml?SPSID=35196&SPID=2763&DB_OEM_ID=7300&ATCLID=225076&Q_SEASON=2006

Martin, Pepper (Johnny) (1904- 1965) Temple

St Louis Cardinal Major League Baseball Player 1928- 1944

<http://www.baseball-almanac.com/players/player.php?p=martipe01>

Maxwell- Berning, Susie (1941) Oklahoma City

Ladies Pro Golf Association golfer

<http://www.lpga.com/content/2006PlayerBiosPDF/Berning-06.pdf>

McCracken, Jack (1911- 1958) Chickasha

One of the Greatest Amateur Athletic Union's Basketball player

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jack_McCracken

McNamara, Dale () Tulsa

University of Tulsa Head Golf Coach 1974-2000

http://tulsahurricane.cstv.com/sports/w-golf/mtt/hair_holley00.html

McNamara (Luellen), Melissa ()Tulsa

Head Golf Coach University of Tulsa 2001- 2002,
Currently Head Golf Coach for Arizona State

http://thesundevils.cstv.com/sports/w-golf/mtt/mcnamaraluellen_melissa00.html

Miller, Shannon (1977) Edmond

Olympic Gymnast 1992 & 1996

<http://www.usa-gymnastics.org/athletes/bios/m/smiller.html>

Minor, Ryan (1974) Norman

Major League Baseball Player 1998-2001

<http://www.baseball-reference.com/m/minorry01.shtml>

Mitchell, Dale (1921-1987) Tulsa

Major League Baseball Player 1946-1956

<http://sportsillustrated.cnn.com/baseball/mlb/players/43141/>
<http://www.baseball-almanac.com/players/player.php?p=mitchda01>

Monday, Kenny () Tulsa

Wrestling, Olympics 1988

<http://www.wrestlinghalloffame.org/awards/?dm&honoree=381>

Morgan, Gil (1946) Wewoka

PGA Golfer

<http://www.pgatour.com/players/00/18/37/>

Morrison, Tommy (1969) Jay

Heavyweight boxing Champion

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tommy_Morrison

Murcer, Bobby (1946) Oklahoma City

Major League Baseball Player 1965- 1983

<http://www.baseball-reference.com/m/murcebo01.shtml>

Owen, Steve (1898- 1964) Cleo Springs, OK

National Football League Player, 23 years as head coach for the Giants

<http://www.hickoksports.com/biograph/owensteve.shtml#other>

Owens, Steve (1947) Gore

1969 Heisman Trophy Winner

<http://www.davidpietrusza.com/Owens.html>

Porter, Darrell (1952- 2002) Oklahoma City

Major League Baseball Player 1971- 1987

http://www.darrellporter.com/textonly.asp?Dept_ID=0&NavButton=01&Main=Y
<http://www.baseballtoddsdugout.com/porter.html>

Payne, Andy (1907- 1977) Chelsea

Winner of the 1928 Trans-Continental Foot Race

<http://www.itvs.org/footrace/runnerbio/featuredrunners/andypayne.htm>

Pickett, Bill (1870- 1932) Ponca City

Introduced bulldogging (Steer Wrestling) to rodeos

<http://www.famoustexans.com/billpickett.htm>

Price, Mark (1964) Bartlesville

NBA Basketball Player 1986- 1998; Olympic Dream team 1994

<http://www.basketball-reference.com/players/p/pricema01.html>
http://www.nba.com/cavaliers/history/mark_price.html

Reynolds, Allie (1917- 1994) Oklahoma City

Major League Baseball Player 1942- 1954

<http://www.baseball-reference.com/r/reynoal01.shtml>
http://www.okstate.com/ViewArticle.dbml?DB_OEM_ID=200&ATCLID=5837&SPID=154&SPSID=1658

Robinson, Crystal (1974) Atoka

WNBA Player 1999- Current

http://www.wnba.com/playerfile/crystal_robinson/

Royal, Darrell (1924) Hollis

Football Coach 1953- 1976 Various teams

<http://www.hickoksports.com/biograph/royaldarrell.shtml>

Ruttman, Troy (1930- 1997) Mooreland

Race car Driver

http://www.worthyofhonor.com/Inductees/Troy_Ruttman.htm
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Troy_Ruttman

Sanders, Barry (1968) Stillwater

NFL Player 1989- 1998

<http://barrysanders.com/barry.html>

Selmon, Lee Roy (1954) Eufaula

NFL Player 1976-1984

http://www.leeroysemons.com/Press/bio-lee%20roy-7-12-05%20_2_.pdf
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lee_Roy_Selmon

Shipp, Jackie (1962) Stillwater

NFL Player and College Football Coach

http://www.soonersports.com/ViewArticle.dbml?DB_OEM_ID=300&ATCLID=11551

Shoulders, Jim (1928) Henryetta

16 Time World Champion Cowboy

<http://www.rodeoministries.org/uncle%20jim.htm>

Sims, Billy (1955) Norman

NFL Football Player 1980- 1984

<http://billysimbbq.com/about.php>

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Billy_Sims

Smith, John Stillwater

6 Time World Champion 1988- 1992, Wrestling

http://www.okstate.com/ViewArticle.dbml?SPSID=1552&SPID=149&DB_OEM_ID=200&ATCLID=7253&Q_SEASON=2006

Spahn, Warren (1921- 2003) Broken Arrow

Major League Baseball Player 1942- 1965, Various Teams

<http://www.baseball-reference.com/s/spahnwa01.shtml>

http://www.baseballhalloffame.org/hofers_and_honorees/hofer_bios/Spahn_Warren.htm

Stargell, Willie (1940-2001) Earlsboro

Major League Baseball Player (1962- 1982) Pittsburgh Pirates

http://www.baseballhalloffame.org/hofers_and_honorees/hofer_bios/Stargell_Willie.htm

<http://www.baseball-reference.com/teams/PIT/1965.shtml>

Teague, Bertha Frank (- 1991) Bying

Coach with the most wins in Girls Basketball 1926- 1969

<http://www.bftmidamericaclassic.com/html/history.html>

Thorpe, Jim (1887-1953) Prague

World's Greatest Athlete

<http://www.cmgww.com/sports/thorpe/bio.htm>

Tisdale, Wayman (1964) Tulsa

NBA Basketball Player 1985 to 1997

<http://www.waymantisdale.com/>
<http://www.databasebasketball.com/players/playerpage.htm?ilkid=TISDAWA01>

Tway, Bob (1959) Oklahoma City

PGA Golfer – Current

<http://www.pgatour.com/players/00/22/23/>

Twilley, Howard (1943) Tulsa

University of Tulsa, football 1963-1965
National Football League 1966- 1976

<http://www.pro-football-reference.com/players/TwilHo00.htm>
http://tulsahurricane.cstv.com/genrel/twilley_howard00.html

Umbach, Arnold W (1903) Weatherford

National Wrestling Hall of Fame Coach

<http://www.wrestlinghalloffame.org/awards/?dm&honoree=50>
http://www.lib.auburn.edu/madd/docs/ala_authors/u.html

VanBebber, Jack ()

Olympic Gold medalist 1932
National Wrestling Hall of Fame 1976

<http://www.wrestlinghalloffame.org/awards/?dm&honoree=14>



Courtesy National Wrestling Hall of Fame

Vessels, Billy (1931- 2001) Cleveland

Heisman Trophy winner 1952

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Billy_Vessels
<http://www.heisman.com/winners/b-vessels52.html>

Waner, Lloyd (1906-1982) Harrah

1927- 1945 Major League Baseball Player, various teams

<http://www.thebaseballpage.com/players/wanerll01.php>

Waner, Paul (1903- 1965) Harrah

1926- 1945 Major League Baseball Player, various teams

<http://www.thebaseballpage.com/players/wanerpa01.php>

Watts, JC (1946) Eufaula

University of Oklahoma Quarterback 1980-81
Congressman

<http://www.jcwatts.com/jcwatts.htm>

Weaver, Dennis (1924- 2006) Norman

University of Oklahoma Track Star in the 1940's

<http://www.dennisweaver.com/biography.htm>

West, Terry Don (1965) Henryetta

World Champion Bull Rider 1996, Professional Bull Rider

<http://www.pbrnow.com/ridersbulls/riders/rider.cfm?ID=656>

Williams, Mark () Norman

1994 USA Men's gymnastics coach of the year
University of Oklahoma gymnastics coach

http://www.soonersports.com/ViewArticle.dbml?DB_LANG=C&SPID=197&SPORT_T_AB_SEL=01&DB_OEM_ID=300&SPSID=2622&&ATCLID=12895

Young, Guard (1977)

**Sr. National Gymnastics Team 1998- 2004
University of Oklahoma, Assistant Coach, Gymnastics**

<http://www.usa-gymnastics.org/athletes/bios/y/gyoung.pdf>

Artist

Burns, Greg () Oklahoma City

Painter

<http://www.gregburns-fineart.com/index.asp>

Beaver, Fred (1911- 1976) Eufaula

Painter

<http://www.askart.com/AskART/artists/biography.aspx?artist=101543>

Beeler, Joe (1931- 2006) Northeast Oklahoma

Painter and Sculpture
Founding member of Cowboy Artist of America

<http://www.caamuseum.com/members/active/Joe-Beeler>

Big Bow, Woody (1914- 1988)

Painter

<http://www.artnativeamerican.com/bios.html>

Biggoose, Mars (? – 2000) Northeast Oklahoma

Native American Artist

<http://nativeamericanoriginals.com/meetbiggoose.htm>

Blue Eagle, Acee (1907- 1959) Anadarko

Artist, painter, sculptor, ceramist, and dancer

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~okgenweb/pioneer/ohs/blueeagle1.htm>

Bushyhead, Jerome (1929- 2000)

Artist

<http://www.artnatam.com/bhead/bio.html>

Chaddlesone, Sherman (1947) Lawton

Painter, Printmaker, and Sculpture

<http://chaddleson.tripod.com/scbio.htm>

Crumbo, Woody (1912- 1989) Lexington

Painter and dancer

<http://frisk.ws/WoodyCrumbo.htm>

Gerrer, Father Gregory (1867- ?) Shawnee

Artist

http://www.mgmoa.org/about_deta.htm?id=2722002

Guthrie, John () Tahlequah

Artist

<http://www.guthriestudios.com/John%20Guthrie.htm>

Gould, Chester (1900- 1985) Pawnee

Cartoonist, Dick Tracy Comic Strip

<http://www.chestergould.org/navigation/home.html>

Haney, Enoch Kelly (1940) Seminole

Politician and Artist

<http://www.ok.gov/~arts/capitolart/permart/sculpture/haney/guardian.html>

<http://www.kellyhaney.com/about.html>

Harjo, Albert (1937) Hanna

Native American Artist

<http://www.dakotaswtraders.com/albertharjo.html>

Harjo, Jr., Benjamin () Oklahoma City

Native American Artist

<http://www.okartinst.org/programs/fallfaculty.cfm>

Heron, Clyde (1929 – 1999)

Painter

<http://www.heronartconnection.com/bios.php>

Hogue, Alexander (1898- 1994) Tulsa

Chair of University of Tulsa School of Art 1945- 1968
Dust Bowl Painter

http://www.harcogallery.com/hogue_a.html

Houser, Allan (1914- 1994) Lawton

Artist

<http://www.allanhouser.com/tribute/biography.html>

Metcalfe, Augusta (1881- 1971) Western Oklahoma

Painter of the Prairies

<http://www.ok.gov/~arts/capitolart/pgg/gg05/metcalfe.html>
<http://www.metcalfemuseum.org/>

Mopope, Stephen (1898- 1974) Anadarko

“Kiowa Five” Artist

http://www.fineartstrader.com/kiowa_five.htm

Myers, Russell () Tulsa
Cartoonist

http://www.comicspage.com/broomhilda/broom_creators.html

Powell, Leslie (1906-1978) Lawton

Artist

http://www.lpgallery.org/leslie_biography.html

Pratt, Harvey () El Reno

Forensic artist

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

Rector, Joe A () Muskogee

Artist, Writer, Author

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

Rabbit, Bill () Northeast Oklahoma

Jewelry and Acrylic Painting

<http://billandtracirabbit.com/>

Roye, Paladine ()

Artist

<http://www.sjblues.com/signedprint.cfm>

Sutton, George M. (1898- 1982) Norman

Artist

<http://www.suttoncenter.org/george.html>

Seabourn, Bert (1931) Oklahoma City

Artist

<http://www.sfol.com/store/seabourn.html>
<http://www.okartguild.com/gallery/bert-seabourn.htm>



Courtesy Museum of
the Great Plains

Seabourn, Connie () Oklahoma City

Artist

<http://www.50pennplacegallery.com/cseabourn.htm>

Stone, Willard (1916- 1985) Locust Grove

Wood carver, sculptor

<http://www.shopoklahoma.com/willards.htm>

Tiger, Jr., Johnny () Tahlequah

Indian Artist

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Johnny_Tiger,_Jr.

<http://www.geocities.com/SoHo/Museum/5059/newpage2.html>

Wilson, Charles Banks (1918) Miami

Artist

http://www.harcogallery.com/wilson_c.html

<http://www.state.ok.us/~arts/capitolart/permart/paintings/wilson/sequoyah.html>

Wimmer, Mike () Norman

Artist

<http://www.mikewimmer.com/frame-about.html>

Aviation/ NASA

Braniff, Paul (1897- 1954) and Thomas (1883- 1954) Oklahoma City

Aviation Pioneers

<http://www.braniffinternational.org/history/history1.htm>

Cobb, Jerrie (1931) Norman

American Aviator

http://www.jerrie-cobb-foundation.org/jerrie_cobb_facts.html

Cooper, Leroy Gordon (1927- 2004) Shawnee

NASA Astronaut

<http://www.jsc.nasa.gov/Bios/htmlbios/cooper-lg.html>

Garriott, Owen K. (1930) Enid

NASA Astronaut

<http://www.jsc.nasa.gov/Bios/htmlbios/garriott-ok.html>

Lucid, Dr. Shannon (1943) Bethany

Astronaut

<http://www.jsc.nasa.gov/Bios/htmlbios/lucid.html>

Pogue, William R. (1930) Okemah

Astronaut

<http://www.astronautscholarship.org/pogue.html>

Roosa, Stuart A. (1933- 1994) Stillwater

Astronaut

<http://www.jsc.nasa.gov/Bios/htmlbios/roosa-sa.html>

Skelly, William () Tulsa

Aviation and Oilman

<http://www.gtrnews.com/greater-tulsa-reporter/1877/mr-tulsa-aviation-flew-by-the-seat-of-his-pants>

Stafford, Thomas P. (1930) Weatherford

Astronaut

<http://www.jsc.nasa.gov/Bios/htmlbios/stafford-tp.html>

Business Leaders

Anderson, Maxie (1934- 1983) Sayre, Beckham

Geologist, entrepreneur, renowned balloonist

<http://www.congressionalgoldmedal.com/BenAbruzzoMaxieAndersonLarryNewman.htm>

Boyd, Sam (1910- 1993) Enid

Sam formed the Boyd Gaming Corporation which would become one of the largest gaming companies in the world.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sam_Boyd

Chisholm, Jesse (1805?- 1868) Various locations in Oklahoma

Pioneer trader, Interpreter and Trusted Guide

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jesse_Chisholm

Foreman, Grant and Carolyn () Muskogee

Historians

<http://www.3riversmuseum.com/>

Franklin, John Hope (1915) Rentiesville

Historian

<http://www.jhfc.duke.edu/about/jhf.php>

Getty, J. Paul (1892- 1976) Tulsa

Financier

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/J._Paul_Getty

Goldman, S.N. (1898- 1984) Oklahoma Territory

Inventor of the shopping cart

<http://realcartu.com/goldman/>
http://findarticles.com/p/articles/mi_qn4182/is_20070205/ai_n17199185

Jansky, Karl Guthe (1905-1950) Norman

American Radio Engineer

<http://www.factmonster.com/ce6/people/A0921600.html>

http://www.nrao.edu/whatisra/hist_jansky.shtml

Jones, Larry (1940) Oklahoma City

“Feed the Children”

http://www.feedthechildren.org/site/PageServer?pagename=org_larry_frances_jones

Kravis, Henry (1944) Tulsa

Financier and Investor

<http://www.achievement.org/autodoc/page/kra0bio-1>

Logan, Eric () Oklahoma City

XM Satellite Radio Executive

http://xmradio.mediaroom.com/index.php?s=press_kit&item=38

McGee, Carl () Oklahoma City

Inventor of the Parking Meter

<http://www.enchantedlearning.com/inventors/1900a.shtml>

Miller, George W. () Ponca City

Founder of the 101 Ranch and Wild West Show

http://www.kaycounty.info/101_ranch/101_oldtimers.html

Overholser, Henry (1846- 1915)

Oklahoma City businessman

<http://www.okhistory.org/enc/Overholser.htm>

Peters, John L () Oklahoma City

Founder, World Neighbors

http://www.wn.org/about_history.html

Roberts, Oral (1918) Tulsa

Founder of Oral Roberts University

<http://www.oru.edu/university/campus/history/oral/>

Walton, Samuel Moore (Sam Walton) (1918- 1992) Kingfisher

Founder and Chairman of Wal-mart stores Inc.

<http://waltoncollege.uark.edu/about/default.asp?show=samwalton>

Young, Raymond () Kingfisher

One of the founders of the TG&Y stores of Oklahoma City

<http://www.library.okstate.edu/about/awards/bennett/young.htm>

Entertainers

Acord, Art (1890- 1931) Stillwater

One of the first true cowboys of Western Films

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Art_Acord
<http://www.silentera.com/people/actors/Acord-Art.html>

Allbritton, Louise (1920- 1979) Oklahoma City
Actress: Comedy, Musical

<http://www.answers.com/topic/louise-allbritton>
<http://movies.aol.com/celebrity/louise-allbritton/970/biography>

Amis, Suzy (1962) Oklahoma City

American Film Actress and Model

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Suzy_Amis

Anderson, Erika (1963) Tulsa

American Actress in Film and on Television

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Erika_Anderson

Angelini, Marcello () Tulsa

Tulsa Ballet Artistic Director

http://www.tulsaballet.org/inside_tulsa_ballet/marcello_angelini_bio.htm

Antonio, Jim () Oklahoma City

American Film Actor

<http://www.fandango.com/jimantonio/worked-with/p++1927>

Antonio, Lou (1934) Oklahoma City

Actor and TV Director

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lou_Antonio
<http://movies.msn.com/celebs/celeb.aspx?c=168495&mp=b>

Applegate, Royce (1939- 2003) Midwest City

Film and Television Actor

[http://www.starpulse.com/Actors/Applegate, Royce/index.html](http://www.starpulse.com/Actors/Applegate,_Royce/index.html)
[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Royce D. Applegate](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Royce_D._Applegate)

Ata, Te (1895- 1995) Tishomingo

Native American Storyteller

<http://www.ipl.org/div/natam/bin/browse.pl/A212>
<http://www.usao.edu/teata/>

Avery, Margaret () Mangum

Actor and singer

[http://www.hollywood.com/celebrity/Margaret Avery/194851](http://www.hollywood.com/celebrity/Margaret_Avery/194851)

Baker, Jimmie (1920- 2003) Muskogee

Bandleader and Television Producer

http://www.parabrisas.com/d_bakerj.php

Bell, Marshall (1942) Tulsa

American Film and Television Actor

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American Film and Television Actor

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American Film Actor

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Musician, Actor and Voice Actor

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45 Year Film Career

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American Film Actor

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Native American Ballerina

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American Film and Television Actor

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Hollywood Performer and Technical Advisor to Producers

<http://www.ironeyescody.org/>

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American Film Actor

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Successful Dwarf American Film Actor

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American Film Director, Screenwriter and Producer

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CBS First Evening News Anchor 1948- 1962

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Actress, Author and Playwright

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American Film Actor

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Television Actor

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Film Director

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Broadway and Film Actress

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American Film Producer

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Broadway and Film Actor

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American Film and Television Actress

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American Actor

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American Film Actor

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American Film Actor

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American Television and Soap Opera Actress

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American Film Actor

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Film and Television Director

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American Film and Television Actor and Director

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Male Ballet Dancer

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American Motion Picture Actor

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American Film Actress

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American Film Actor

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Actress and Politician for the State of California

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Ballerina

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American Film Actress

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American Film Actor

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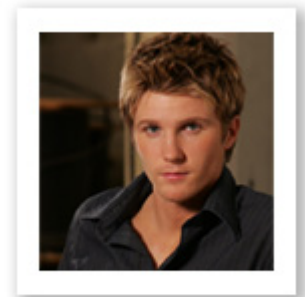
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Soap Opera Actor

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American Film Director

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American Film Actor

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American Film Actor

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American Film and Television Actress

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Television Talk Show Host

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American Film Actress

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American Film Actor and Radio Personality

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American Film and Radio Actor

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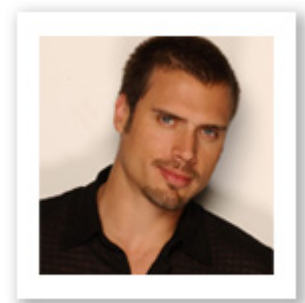
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America's First Cowgirl and Performer in Western Shows

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Wild West Show Producer

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American Film, Television and Broadway Actress

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Film make-up Artist

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American Film and Television Actor

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American Film and Television Actor and Martial Arts Performer

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American film Actress

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American Film Actress

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American Film Actor

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American Film Actress

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American Film and Television Actor

<http://www.imdb.com/name/nm0692093/>

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American Film Actor

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American Film and Broadway Singer and Actor

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American Film Actor

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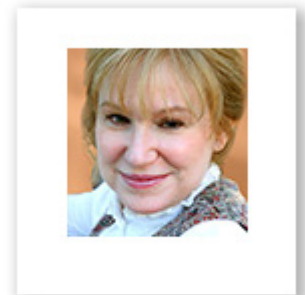
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American Film Actor

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American Film Actor

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Ballerina

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Ballerina

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American Film Actress

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Comedian

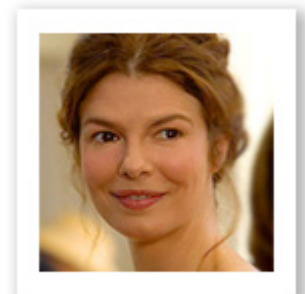
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Actor

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Film Producer

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American Film Actor and Director

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American Film Actress

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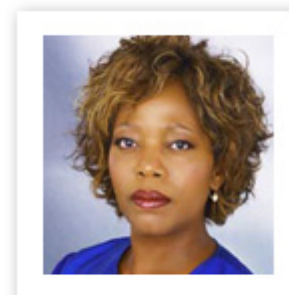
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Broadway Actress

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Indian Interpreter, Guide and Scout

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Apache Warrior

<http://www.indians.org/welker/geronimo.htm>

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Cheyenne Leader

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Choctaw, Code Talker and Mighty Warrior

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1985 became the first woman chief of the Cherokee Nation

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Comanche Chief

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Sequoyah (1776-1843)

Inventor of the Cherokee Written Language

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Cherokee Nation Principal Chief 1975-1985

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First American Indian in US Army history to attain the rank of major general.

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Country Music Entertainer

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Entertainer: Radio, Movie Star, Television

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Country Singer, Songwriter

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Songwriter "Heartbreak Hotel"

<http://www.musicianguide.com/biographies/1608004416/Mae-Axton.html>

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Composer, Lifetime Musical Achievement Award in 1997

<http://www.nswmp.com/bio.html>

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Jazz Trumpet Musician

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Songwriter

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Guitarist/ Vocalist/ Songwriter of Blues

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Composer/ Lyricist/ Broadway Performer

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Guitarist

<http://www.texasplayboys.net/Biographies/boggs.htm>

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Country Music Songwriter and Guitarist

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Folk Rock

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Country Music Superstar

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Songwriter of over 800 Gospel Songs including his first hit in 1929 "I'll fly Away"

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

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Singer and Political Activist

<http://www.nndb.com/people/177/000024105/>

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Guitarist and Songwriter

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Country Music Singer

<http://www.jeffcarson.net/bio.htm>

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Country Music Singer/ Songwriter

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American Singer/ Songwriter

1996 Male Vocalist of the year for the Dove Awards

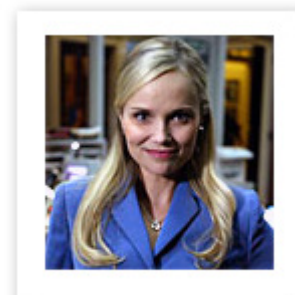
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Singer, Movie and Television Star

<http://www.kristin-chenoweth.com/>

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Christian, Charles (1916) Oklahoma City

Musician

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Versatile Country Entertainer

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Singer/Songwriter

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Color Me Badd () Oklahoma City

Vocal Quartet R&B

http://www.vh1.com/artists/az/color_me_badd/bio.jhtml

Dunn, Bob (1908- 1971) Fort Gibson

Western Swing Steel Guitar Pioneer

<http://www.well.com/user/wellvis/dunn.html>

Dunn, Ronnie (1953) Tulsa

Country Music Star
Apart of Brooks and Dunn

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Davies, Gail (1948) Broken Bow

Singer

<http://www.gaildavies.com/bio.htm>

Denver, John (1943- 1997) Oklahoma

Country Musician, various music awards

<http://www.johndenver.com/biography/biography.html>

Diffie, Joe (1958) Velma

Country Musician

<http://www.joediffie.com/bio/index.htm>

Downing, Big Al (1940- 2005) rural Oklahoma

Legendary 50's rock pioneer

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

England, Ty (1963-) Oklahoma

Country Musician

<http://www.tyengland.com/front.html>

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Fields, Ernie (1905- 1997) Tulsa

Big Band Musician

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<http://www.oldies.com/artist-biography/Ernie-Fields-Orchestra.html>

Flaming Lips

Oklahoma City based Alternative Rock Band (1983)

<http://www.flaminglips.com/main.php>

For Love Not Lisa

Oklahoma City heavy metal/ punk band formed in the early 90's

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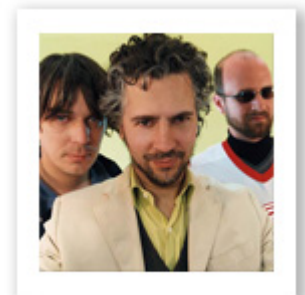


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Frazier, Dallas (1939) Spiro

Nashville Songwriter

<http://www.nashvillesongwritersfoundation.com/fame/frazier.html>

Frisco, Rocky () Tulsa

Musical composition, songwriting, lyric writing and editing

<http://www.rockyfrisco.com/rockmusic.html>

Gap Band, The

Formed in 1967, Tulsa, R&B Musicians

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Gates, David (1939) Tulsa

Singer/ Songwriter

Band: Bread

<http://www.superseventies.com/ssdavidgates.html>

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Country Music Superstar

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Gray, Wardell (1921-1955) Oklahoma City

Jazz bop tenor player

http://www.jazzitude.com/wardellgray_01.htm

Guthrie, Woody (1912- 1967) Okemah

American Folk Musician, Poet, Artist and Author

<http://www.woodyguthrie.org/biography/biography1.htm>

Hansons, The

Band started in 1992 in Tulsa

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1983 Best New Female Artist, Country Music Awards

<http://www.geocities.com/Athens/Parthenon/2597/OKmusicians.html>

Harris, Roy (1898- 1979) Chandler

An American Composer

<http://www.royharrisamericancomposer.com/bio.html>

Harris, Sam (1961) Cushing

Singer/ Actor

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Jazz Guitarist

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Hayes, Wade () Bethel Acres

Country Music Singer

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New Age Musician

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Hobbs, Becky () Bartlesville

County Music Singer/ Songwriter

<http://www.beckyhobbs.com/becky2.htm>

Jackson, Wanda () Oklahoma City

Rock n' roll/ Country Singer

<http://wandajackson.com/pages/biography.html>

Keith, Toby (1961) Clinton

Country Music Superstar

http://www.cmt.com/artists/az/keith_toby/bio.jhtml

Kessel, Barney (1923- 1992) Muskogee

Jazz Guitarist

http://www.swingmusic.net/Kessel_Barney_Biography_Jazz_Guitar.html

Levine, Joel () Oklahoma City

Currently Music Director for the Oklahoma City Philharmonic

<http://www.okcphilharmonic.org/p/831/Default.aspx>

McAuliffe, Leon (1917- 1988) Tulsa

Steel Guitarist for Bob Wills and the Texas Playboys

http://www.cmt.com/artists/az/mcauliffe_leon/bio.jhtml

McDaniel, Mel (1942) Checotah

Country Music Singer/ Songwriter

http://www.cmt.com/artists/az/mcdaniel_mel/bio.jhtml

<http://www.melmcdaniel.com/bio.htm>

McEntire, Reba (1955) Chockie

Country Music Superstar, Entertainer and Businesswoman

<http://www.reba.com/behindthecurtain/>

http://www.cmt.com/artists/az/mcentire_reba/bio.jhtml

McGuire, Barry (1935) Oklahoma City

Musician

<http://www.barrymcguire.com/?page=bio>

McShann, Jay (1916- 2006) Muskogee

Jazz Pianist

<http://www.jaymcshann.com/about.htm>

Miller, Eddie (1919- 1977) Camargo

Songwriter

<http://www.nashvillesongwritersfoundation.com/fame/millere.html>

Miller, Jody (1941) Blanchard

Singer

<http://www.macromusic.com/JodyMiller/history.html>

Miller, Roger (1936- 1992) Erick

Songwriter, singer, guitarist, fiddler, drummer, TV Star, humorist, Broadway composer

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

Mitchell, Leona (1948) Enid

Opera Singer

<http://www.leonamitchell.com/biography.htm#personal>

Munde, Alan () Norman

One of the world's leading banjo players

<http://alanmundegazette.com/biography.htm>
<http://www2.musicvideo.com/munde2.html>

Nevaquaya, Doc (Tate) (1932- 1996) Lawton

Flute Player

http://www.cherokeestationindianart.com/Artists/zb_nevaquaya_doc_tate.htm

Owens, Bonnie (1932) Oklahoma City

Country Music Singer

http://www.cmt.com/artists/az/owens_bonnie/bio.jhtml

Page, Patti (1927) Claremore

Country Music Singer

<http://www.misspattipage.com/biography.html>

Parker, Billy (1939) Tulsa

Country Musician and Disc Jockey

<http://www.billhaynes.com/bilyparker.htm>

Paxton, Tom (1938) Bristow

Folk singer/ songwriter

<http://www.tompaxton.com/about.html>

Pettiford, Oscar (1922- 1960) Okmulgee

Double bass player and bandleader

<http://www.actlab.utexas.edu/~horshak/greatday/pettiford.html>

Radle, Carl (1942- 1980) Tulsa

Legendary Bass Guitarist

<http://www.carlradle.com/about.htm>

Rushing, Jimmy (1901- 1972) Oklahoma City

Pianist

<http://www.jimmyrushing.com/interview.html>

Russell, Leon (1942) Tulsa

Musician

http://www.leonrussellrecords.com/memory_lane.shtml

Shelton, Blake (1976) Ada

Country Music Singer/ Songwriter

http://www.cmt.com/artists/az/shelton_blake/bio.jhtml

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



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Shepard, Jean () Pauls Valley

Country Music Singer

<http://www.enormousrecords.com/Jeanbio.htm>

http://www.cmt.com/artists/az/shepard_jean/bio.jhtml

Starr, Kay (1922) Dougherty

Singer

<http://kaystarr.net/bio.html>

Stemmons, Robert (1956) Tulsa

Whistler

<http://www.thewhistler.com/bio.htm>

Thompson, Hank (1925) Oklahoma City

Western Swing Musician

http://www.cmt.com/artists/az/thompson_hank/bio.jhtml

Tractors, The

Tulsa Country Music Group

<http://www.thetractors.com/bios.php>

Travis, Merle (1917) Tahlequah

Country Musician

http://www.cmt.com/artists/az/travis_merle/bio.jhtml

Twilley, Dwight (1951) Tulsa

American Pop/Rock Musician

http://www.vh1.com/artists/az/twilley_dwight/bio.jhtml

Underwood, Carrie (1983) Checotah

2005 American Idol Winner
Country Music Singer

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

Wakely, Jimmy (1914- 1982) Oklahoma City

Country Western Musician

<http://www.b-westerns.com/wakely.htm>
http://www.cmt.com/artists/az/wakely_jimmy/bio.jhtml

Webb, Jimmy (1946) Elk City

Singer/ Songwriter

<http://www.jimmywebb.com/jimmy.html>

White, Bryan (1974) Lawton

Country Musician

<http://bryanwhite.musiccitynetworks.com/index.htm?id=2047&loc=1>
http://www.cmt.com/artists/az/bryan_white/bio.jhtml

Williams, Claude (1908) Muskogee

Jazz Musician

<http://music.calarts.edu/~chung/artists/ClaudeWilliamsBio.html>

Williams, Mason (1938) Oklahoma City

Musician

<http://www.masonwilliams-online.com/mwfullbio05.pdf>

Willis, Kelly (1968) Annadale

Country Music Musician and Singer/ Songwriter

http://www.cmt.com/artists/az/willis_kelly/bio.jhtml

Wills, Bob (1905- 1975) Tulsa

Country and Western Swing Musician

<http://www.bobwills.com/history.html>

http://www.cmt.com/artists/az/wills_bob/bio.jhtml

Wills, Johnnie Lee (1912- 1984) Tulsa

Country and Western Swing Musician

http://www.cmt.com/artists/az/wills_johnnie_lee/bio.jhtml

Wright, Heath (1967) Vian

Country Musician

<http://www.ricochetonline.com/bio.php>

Oilmen

Marland, E.W. (1874-1941) Ponca City

Oilman

<http://www.marlandmansion.com/Pages/ew.html>

McGee, Dean (1954- 1983)

Oilman

<http://www.hbs.edu/leadership/database/leaders/599/>

Phillips, Frank and Watie () Tulsa/ Bartlesville

Oilmen

http://www.philmontm1.com/waite_phillips.htm

Pickens, T. Boone () Holdenville

Oilman

<http://www.boonepickens.com/welcome.asp>

Outlaws

Dalton, Bill (1858- 1894)

Outlaw

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~okmurray/stories/dalton.htm>

Floyd, Charles “Pretty Boy” (1904-1934) Cookson Hills

American Bank Robber

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pretty_Boy_Floyd

<http://www.fbi.gov/libref/historic/famcases/floyd/floyd.htm>

Starr, Belle (1848- 1889) Indian Territory

Outlaw in the Old West

<http://www.lkwdpl.org/wihohio/star-bel.htm>



Courtesy of Oklahoma
Historical Society

Pageant/ Contest Winners

Brown, Allison ()

Miss Teen USA 1986

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Allison_Brown
<http://www.missoklahomausa.com/halloffame.html>

Jayroe, Jane (1947) Tulsa

Miss America 1967

<http://www.missamerica.org/our-miss-americas/1960/1967.asp>
<http://www.travelok.com/mediaProf/pressReleases.asp?id=629>

Powell, Susan () Elk City

Miss America 1981

<http://missamerica.org/our-miss-americas/1980/1981.asp>

Smallwood, Norma () Tulsa

Miss America 1926

<http://missamerica.org/our-miss-americas/1920/1926.asp>

Smith, Shantel () Muldrow

Miss America 1996

<http://missamerica.org/our-miss-americas/1990/1996.asp>

Politicians

Albert, Carl Bert (1908- 2000) McAlester

Representative from Oklahoma; congressman, majority whip, majority leader, Speaker of the House of Representatives

<http://bioguide.congress.gov/scripts/biodisplay.pl?index=A000073>

Barnard, Kate (1875 – 1930) Oklahoma City

The first woman in American history elected to state office as well as Oklahoma's first commissioner of charities and corrections.

<http://www.state.ok.us/~arts/capitolart/permart/sculpture/vanzandt/kate.html>



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Historical Society

Boren, David (1941) Norman

Thirteenth President of the University of Oklahoma.
Boren served as Governor of Oklahoma from 1975-1979.
United States Senator from Oklahoma (1979-1994)

<http://davidboren.org/>
<http://bioguide.congress.gov/scripts/biodisplay.pl?index=B000639>

Flynn, Dennis (1861- 1939) Guthrie

Congressman 1893-1897, 1899-1903

<http://bioguide.congress.gov/scripts/biodisplay.pl?index=F000226>
<http://digital.library.okstate.edu/chronicles/v018/v018p107.html>

Henry, Brad (1963) Shawnee

Oklahoma Governor (current)

<http://www.state.ok.us/governor/index.php>

Keating, Cathy

Author and former First Lady (1995- 2003)

<http://www.wic.org/bio/ckeating.htm>

Keating, Frank (1944)

Former Governor (1995-2003)

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Frank_Keating

Kennedy, Maybelle () Pawhuska

Assistant US Treasurer

http://www.tulsaworld.com/TWPDFs/2007/Final/W_010507_A_7.PDF

Kerr, Robert S. (1896 to 1963) Ada

Military, Former Governor of Oklahoma 1943-1947, oilman

<http://bioguide.congress.gov/scripts/biodisplay.pl?index=k000144>

Kirkpatrick, Jeane (1926- 2006) Duncan

Former US Ambassador

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jeane_Kirkpatrick

McCurdy, David (1950) Norman

Statesmen

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dave_McCurdy

McSpadden, Clem (1925) Chelsea

Pro Rodeo Announcer and Congressman

<http://bioguide.congress.gov/scripts/biodisplay.pl?index=M000603>

Mesta, Perle (1889- 1975) Oklahoma City

American Society Figure, Political Hostess and U.S. Ambassador to Luxembourg (1949-1953)

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Perle_Mesta

Moynihan, Daniel Patrick (1927- 2003) Tulsa

US Senator from NY and various other government positions

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Daniel_Patrick_Moynihan

Murray, William "Alfalfa Bill" (1869- 1956) Tishomingo

Held many political positions.

<http://www.oklaosf.state.ok.us/~arts/capitolart/permart/paintings/krichardson/murray.html>

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/William_H._Murray

Robertson, Alice Mary (1854- 1931) Tallahassee

Founder of the University of Tulsa, Congresswomen 1921-1923

<http://bioguide.congress.gov/scripts/biodisplay.pl?index=R000318>

Thomas, Henry "Heck" (1850 - 1912) Oklahoma Territory

Lawman

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Heck_Thomas

<http://www.legendsofamerica.com/WE-HeckThomas.html>

Tilghman, Bill (1856- 1910) Guthrie

United States Deputy Marshal and Senator

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~iafayett/oktilgh.htm>

Too Unique to be Classified

Nation, Carry (-1911) Seiling

Saloon Smasher during the late 1800's and early 1900's

http://www.tulsaworld.com/webextra/itemsofinterest/centennial/centennial_storypage.asp?ID=061129_Ne_A9_Carry8090
<http://www.carrynation.org/historymain.htm>

War Heroes

Clark, Joseph "Jocko" (1893-1971) Chelsea

Admiral US Navy, World War I and II, Korea

<http://www.arlingtoncemetery.net/jjclark.htm>

Hurley, Patrick (1883- 1963) Choctaw Nation & Tulsa

American soldier and statesmen

<http://www.army.mil/cmh-pg/books/sw-sa/Hurley.htm>

Waite, Brig. Gen. Stand (1806- 1871) Honey Creek

Civil War General

<http://www.civilwarhome.com/watiebio.htm>

Writers/ Journalists/ News Reporters

Berryman, John (1914- 1972) McAlester

1964 Pulitzer Prize Winner

<http://www.poets.org/poet.php/prmPID/6>

Boorstin, Daniel J. (1914- 2004) Tulsa

Prize-winning Author and Librarian of Congress

<http://www.answers.com/topic/daniel-j-boorstin>

<http://www.loc.gov/homepage/boorstin.html>

Cherryh, C.J. (1942) Lawton

Author of over 60 books since the 1070's

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/C._J._Cherryh

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

Cleaver, Bill () Hugo

Author

<http://title3.sde.state.ok.us/literatureanda/bill1.htm>.

Conley, Robert (1940)

Author

Has won various awards including Oklahoma's Writers Hall of Fame in 1996

<http://www.ipl.org/div/natam/bin/browse.pl/A26>

Cronkite, Walter (1916) Oklahoma City

Broadcast Journalist for CBS 1950- 1981

<http://www.museum.tv/archives/etv/C/htmlC/cronkitewal/cronkitewal.htm>

Crowe, Admiral William J. (1925) Oklahoma City

Statesman, Author

http://www.oksenate.gov/senate_artwork/admiral_william_j_crowe_jr.html

Debo, Angie (1890- 1988) Marshall

Author and Educator

<http://www.library.okstate.edu/scua/collect/debo/index.htm>

Ellison, Ralph (1914- 1994) Oklahoma City

Author, National Book Award 1953 for “The Invisible man”

<http://www.levity.com/corduroy/ellison.htm>

Ellsworth, Scott () Tulsa

Historian who wrote about the Tulsa Race Riots

<http://www.wweek.com/html/urbanpulse102099.html>

England, Gary (1940's) Seiling

Weatherman and author

<http://www.rose.edu/EOCRHC/Oral-England,G.htm>

Franklin, John Hope (1915) Rentiesville

Historian and Author

<http://library.duke.edu/specialcollections/franklin/bio.html>

<http://www.jhfc.duke.edu/about/jhf.php>

Gaylord, Edward (1919- 2003) Oklahoma City

Creator of “The Oklahoman” (Newspaper), and various Television Channels and Hotels

<http://www.answers.com/topic/edward-gaylord>

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Edward L. Gaylord](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Edward_L._Gaylord)

Gowdy, Curt (1919-2006) Oklahoma City

Voice of the Red Sox Baseball Team

1984 recipient of the Ford C. Frick Award

http://www.baseballhalloffame.org/hofers_and_honorees/frick_bios/gowdy_curt.htm

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Curt Gowdy](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Curt_Gowdy)

Greer, Frank (1862-1933) Tulsa, Guthrie

Established one of the first newspapers in Oklahoma

<http://www.okhistory.org/enc/greer.htm>

Griffith, Terry () Oklahoma City

Author

http://calbears.findarticles.com/p/articles/mi_qn4182/is_20000302/ai_n10135854

Gogisgi, Carroll Arnett (1927-1997) Oklahoma City

National Endowment for the Arts Fellowship in Creative Writing, 1974

Poet

<http://www.ipl.org/div/natam/bin/browse.pl/A82>

Hager, Jean () Pawnee and Tulsa

Author, Mysteries

<http://www.mysterynet.com/hager/hager.shtml>

Harjo, Joy (1951) Tulsa

Poet, Author and Musician

<http://www.hanksville.org/storytellers/joy/>
http://voices.cla.umn.edu/vg/Bios/entries/harjo_joy.html

Hart, Carolyn (1936) Oklahoma City

Mystery Author

<http://title3.sde.state.ok.us/library/itv/hart/hart.html>

Harvey, Paul () Tulsa

Journalist, Radio "The Rest of the Story" 1976- to Present

<http://www.paulharvey.com/bio.shtml>

Hillerman, Tony (1925) Sacred Heart

Author

<http://www.mysterynet.com/hillerman/author/>

Hinton, S.E. () Tulsa

Author, 1967 "The Outsiders"

<http://www.sehinton.com/bio/index.html>

James, Marquis (1881- 1955)

Author, Winner of two Pulitzer Prizes 1930 & 1938

<http://www.answers.com/topic/marquis-james>

Jones, Jenkin Lloyd (1911- 2004) Tulsa

Author, journalist, editor/ publisher of the Tulsa Tribune 1933-1992

<http://www.bookrags.com/biography/jenkin-lloyd-jones-dlb/>

Keith, Harold (1903- 1998) Norman

Author, Winner of the Newbery Award 1958

<http://www.answers.com/topic/harold-keith>

L'Amour, Louis (1908- 1988) Choctaw

Author, Short Stories and Westerns

<http://www.louislamour.com/aboutlouis/biography.htm>

Lackey, Mercedes (1950) Tulsa

Author

<http://www.mercedeslackey.com/biography.html>

Lafferty, Raphael A (1914- 2002) Tulsa

Author of Science Fiction

<http://www.lib.uiowa.edu/spec-coll/MSC/ToMsC650/MsC645/lafferty.htm>

Letts, Billy () Durant

Writer of short stories and Screenplays such as “Where the Heart Is”

http://www.bookbrowse.com/biographies/index.cfm?author_number=267

Losure, Bob () Tulsa

Broadcast Anchor; CNN Headline News 1986- 1997

<http://www.boblosure.com/about.html>

Lottinville, Savoie () Norman

Director, university of Oklahoma Press, 1938- 1967

<http://www.okhistory.org/enc/lottinville.htm>

McGee, Frank (1915- 1974) Oklahoma City

Broadcast Journalist

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Frank_McGee_\(journalism\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Frank_McGee_(journalism))

McQuay, Mike (1949- 1995)

American Science Fiction Writer

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mike_McQuay

Momaday, Scott (1934- 1974) Lawton

Pulitzer Prize winning Author in 1969 for his Fiction book “House Made of Dawn”

<http://www.achievement.org/autodoc/page/mom0bio-1>

Moyers, Bill (1934) Hugo

Broadcast Journalist until 2004

<http://www.museum.tv/archives/etv/M/htmlM/moyesrbill/moyesrbill.htm>

Odom, Mel (1957) Various towns in Oklahoma

Author

<http://www.melodom.net/bio.htm>

Rawls, Wilson (1913- 1984) Scraper

Author "Where the Red Fern Grows" 1961

<http://www.ifpl.org/index.asp?p=rawls/bio>

Regan, Dian Curtis () Oklahoma

Children's Book Author

<http://www.diancurtisregan.com/content/blogcategory/19/11/>

Revard, Carter (1931) Pawhuska

Writer and teacher

<http://www.hanksville.org/storytellers/revard/>

Riggs, Lynn (1899- 1954) Claremore

Writer "Green Grow the Lilacs" 1931 would later become known as "Oklahoma"

<http://members.cox.net/lynn.riggs/LynnRiggs.htm>

Roe, Vingie E (1879- 1958) Oklahoma Territory

Author

<http://www.library.okstate.edu/scua/collect/roe/>

Rogers, Will (1879- 1935) Oologah

Trick roper, actor, Author

<http://www.willrogers.org/>

Thomas, Joyce Carol () Ponca City

Author: Children's Books, Poems, and Plays

<http://www.joycecarolthomas.com/about1.html>

Thomas, Ross (1926- 1995) Oklahoma City

American Writer of Crime Fiction

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ross_Thomas

Tolson, Melvin (1898- 1966) Norman

Poet

<http://www.tsha.utexas.edu/handbook/online/articles/TT/fto36.html>

Thompson, Jim (1906- 1977) Anadarko

Mystery Writer

http://www.popsubculture.com/pop/bio_project/jim_thompson.html

Vance, Michael (1950) Tulsa

Science Fiction and Comic Book Author

[http://www.bailsprojects.com/\(S\(gnn0xu555nkc1s45heg44e45\)\)/bio.aspx?Name=VANCE%2C+MICHAEL](http://www.bailsprojects.com/(S(gnn0xu555nkc1s45heg44e45))/bio.aspx?Name=VANCE%2C+MICHAEL)

<http://www.sabledrake.com/2000a/contributors.htm#Michael%20Vance>

