

# Literary Periods: Pseudonyms and Canadian Literature in English

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- Literary periods and pseudonyms
- Literary period table for Canadian literature in English

# Manual at T3A: Works by or about individual authors



- The Manual entry at the start of Table 3A says nothing about pseudonyms
  - In particular, the discussion of literary periods for a specific author says nothing about pseudonyms

# Literary periods: from the Manual at T3A



Use only one literary period for an author and all of the author's works, including works that may have been published earlier or later than the dates covered by that period. Determine the literary period in accordance with scholarly consensus about when an author flourished. . . . In the absence of scholarly comment, use the weight of bibliographic evidence to determine when an author flourished. For example, class an author who published one novel in 1999, one novel in 2000, one in 2001, and one in 2002 in the literary period beginning with 2000.

# Kelly, Lauren 1938-

## Overview

**Works:** 3 works in 11 publications in 1 language and 2,164 library holdings



**Genres:** [Suspense fiction](#)

**Classifications:** ps3565.a8, 813.6

## Publication Timeline

2000 | . . . . . | 2010

### Key

-  Publications about Lauren Kelly
-  Publications by Lauren Kelly

## Most widely held works by Lauren Kelly

[Blood mask : a novel of suspense](#) by Lauren Kelly ( [Book](#) )

4 editions published between 2006 and 2007 in English and held by 853 libraries worldwide

[Take me, take me with you : a novel of suspense](#) by Lauren Kelly ( [Book](#) )

3 editions published between 2004 and 2004 in English and held by 800 libraries worldwide

[The stolen heart : a novel of suspense](#) by Lauren Kelly ( [Book](#) )

4 editions published between 2005 and 2006 in English and held by 472 libraries worldwide

## Audience Level

0  1

# Kelly, Lauren, ♯d 1938-



From LC Authority Record:

010    n 2003052510

053 0   PS3565.A8

100 1   Kelly, Lauren, ♯d 1938-

663    Works by this author are entered under the name used in the item. For a listing of other names used by this author, search also under ♯b Oates, Joyce Carol, 1938-

# Oates, Joyce Carol 1938-

## Overview

<b>Works:</b>	686 works in 1,567 publications in 26 languages and 192,024 library holdings
<b>Genres:</b>	<a href="#">Domestic fiction</a> <a href="#">Love stories</a> <a href="#">Bildungsromans</a> <a href="#">Historical fiction</a> <a href="#">Young adult fiction</a> <a href="#">Horror fiction</a> <a href="#">Short stories</a> <a href="#">Suspense fiction</a> <a href="#">Romans à clef</a> <a href="#">Biographical fiction</a>
<b>Subject Headings:</b>	<a href="#">Authors, American--20th century</a> <a href="#">Women authors, American--20th century</a> <a href="#">Women authors, American</a>
<b>Roles:</b>	<a href="#">Author of introduction</a> , <a href="#">Editor</a> , <a href="#">Compiler</a> , <a href="#">Librettist</a> , <a href="#">Interviewee</a> , <a href="#">Signer</a>
<b>Classifications:</b>	ps3565.a8, 813.54

## Publication Timeline



### Key

- Publications about Joyce Carol Oates
- Publications by Joyce Carol Oates

## Most widely held works about Joyce Carol Oates

- [Joyce Carol Oates](#) by Joanne V Creighton ( Book )
- [Invisible writer : a biography of Joyce Carol Oates](#) by Greg Johnson ( Book )
- [Joyce Carol Oates](#) by Ellen G Friedman ( Book )
- [The tragic vision of Joyce Carol Oates](#) by Mary Kathryn Grant ( Book )
- [Joyce Carol Oates](#) ( Book )

# Oates, Joyce Carol, ♯d 1938-



From LC Authority Record:

010     n 78095538

053 0   PS3565.A8

100 1   Oates, Joyce Carol, ♯d 1938-

663     For works of this author entered under other names,  
search also under ♯b Fernandes, 1938- ♯b Smith,  
Rosamond, 1938- ♯b Kelly, Lauren, 1938-



# Kelly, Lauren, b. 1938- (2)



Meaning of DDC number:

813.6 American fiction—2000-

Meaning of LCC number:

\$a PS3565.A8 \$h American literature \$h Individual authors  
\$h 1961-2000 \$h O \$j Oates, Joyce Carol, 1938-

# Oates, Joyce Carol, #d 1938-



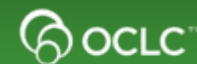
Meaning of DDC number:

813.54 American fiction—1945-1999

Meaning of LCC number:

\$a PS3565.A8 \$h American literature \$h Individual authors  
\$h 1961-2000 \$h O \$j Oates, Joyce Carol, 1938-

# Standard Cuttering not an issue with DDC



- If the same DDC number is preferred for all names used by the same author, each library can make its own decision about Cuttering: alphabetic arrangement is a local issue with DDC
  - For example, if DDC number 813.54 is used for all fiction by Oates under all her names, some libraries can Cutter a work by Kelly for Kelly, others for Oates

- Should we treat pseudonyms as separate literary identities and assign literary period notation according to when the pseudonym began to flourish?
- Or should we assign the same literary period notation to all the names under which an author publishes, as LCC does?

# 810.1-818 Subdivisions of American literature in English: Literary period tables



- Two different standard period tables:
  - For Canada
  - For literature in English language from any part of North America, South America, Hawaii, and geographically associated islands; for comprehensive works on literature in English language from all these areas
- Plans to create separate MARC records for each number in a literary period table drew our attention to the anomaly of two standard period tables

# Literary period table for Canadian literature in English (1)



- The period table for Canada will be changed to optional—like the optional period table for Canadian literature in French at 840.1-848 Subdivisions of French literature
- The change will appear in the next version of WebDewey and will be announced in the Dewey Blog
- Library and Archives Canada will continue to use the period table for Canada with “C” to indicate Canada, e.g.:  
C813.3 Canadian fiction of colonial period to 1867

# Literary period table for Canadian literature in English (2)



- The Library of Congress will cease to use the special table for Canada—will instead use the standard table for Canadian literature in English
- Few authors will be affected by the change:
  - The two tables are exactly the same for 20th and 21st centuries
  - Only a few Canadian authors are affected by discrepancies in earlier periods—primarily those who began to flourish before 1830

# (OPTIONAL PERIOD TABLE FOR AMERICAN LITERATURE IN ENGLISH



(For Canada

(3 Colonial period to 1867

Class here 19th century

*For 1867-1899, see 4*

(4 1867-1899

(5 1900-1999

(52 1900-1945

(54 1945-1999

(6 2000- )