I. GENERAL

A. BIBLIOGRAPHY

The tentative beginnings of the task of gathering references about homosexual behavior ("sodomy") lie in the 17th and 18th centuries, when savants—generally forensic physicians, legal scholars, and theologians—began to record such writings as they were able to discover. The 19th century saw two major advances: the creation of erotic bibliographies (comprising what were sometimes termed "curiosa") by collectors and booksellers; and the compiling of systematic lists of references by homosexuals themselves (e.g. Meieranis and Ulrichs). Much has been accomplished in the present century, so that bibliographical control in the sphere of homosexuality is currently regarded as well developed by librarians at the Kinsey Institute, who enjoy a panoramic command of the fields of sex research. Yet problems persist. There is a tendency, found particularly but not exclusively among American scholars, to concentrate on work in one language group, so that one's vision of the universe of research—geographical and temporal—is narrowed. Moreover, there is no current annual survey of progress in gay and lesbian studies. Only recently, in fact, have some of the major current subject bibliographies, such as Art Index and MLA Bibliography, introduced homosexuality as a category. Entries in some existing retrospective bibliographies are marred by misprints and incomplete references, faults which may to some extent be excused because of the rarity of many publications, which were often published semiclandestinely. In addition to the general bibliographies cited below, more specialized ones will be found throughout this work under the appropriate subject categories.

1. ASHBE, HENRY SPENCER ("Pisanus Fraxi"). Bibliography of Forbidden Books. Introduction by Gershon Legman. New York: Jack Brusel, 1962. 3 vols. Originally published in London under three titles: Index librorum prohibitorum (1877), Centuria librorum absconditorum (1879), and Catena librorum tacendorum (1885). Other reprints are known. In addition to standard bibliographical data, entries frequently contain an annotative essay summarizing the contents with liberal quotations. Although these volumes cover the whole field of erotica, they mention a considerable number of works on homosexuality, some now neglected. Each volume has an index of authors, titles, and subjects.

2. AUGUST, EUGENE R. Men's Studies: A Selected and Annotated Interdisciplinary Bibliography. Little-
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5. BREWER, JOAN SCHERER, and ROD W. WRIGHT (eds.). Sex Research: Bibliographies from the Institute for Sex Research. Phoenix: Oryx Press, 1979. 212 pp. Classified list of 4267 items, unannotated, selected from the holdings of the Alfred C. Kinsey Institute, Indiana University. Homosexuality has restricted coverage on the grounds that it is well treated in other publications. See "Sex Variations" (pp. 43-56) and "Pedophilia" (pp. 138-41). Author and subject indexes.

6. BULLOUGH, VERN L., W. DORR LEGG, BARRETT W. ELCANO, and JAMES KEPNER (eds.). An Annotated Bibliography of Homosexuality. New York: Garland, 1976. 2 vols. (406; 468 pp.) Despite some valid criticisms, this monumental work (almost 13,000 entries) opened a new era in research horizons in its subject as the first attempt to cover, without limitations of country or time period, the entire ensemble of relevant fields—scholarly, scientific, and creative. The title notwithstanding, only a few items are annotated; misprints abound (esp. in the numerous German entries); and some items are incorrectly assigned to the topical categories. Each volume has an author index, but the absence of subject indexes hinders retrieval of material on specific themes.

7. Catalogus van de Bibliotheek van het Nederlandsch Wetenschappelijk Humanitair Komitee. The Hague: MWHK, 1922. 55 pp. Catalogue of books (Dutch, German, French, and English) kept in the house of Jacob Anton Schorer, a principal figure in the Dutch Scientific-Humanitarian Committee. An important reference for its time, the Catalogus had a number of supplements, of which four were published: 1
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(1926; 28 pp.); 2 (1930; 22 pp.); 3 (1932; 24 pp.); and 4 (1936; 28 pp.).


12. ELYSIAN FIELDS, BOOKSELLERS. *Gay Literature* [Title varies]. Elmhurst, NY: Elysian Fields, 1974ff. About 25 catalogues in this series have appeared, which are noteworthy for unusual and out-of-print items, which are sold by mail order. A number of gay and lesbian bookstores in the United States have also produced noteworthy catalogues, including A Different Light (Los Angeles), L’Androgyne (Montreal), Chosen Books (Detroit), Giovanni’s Room (Philadelphia), Lambda Rising (Washington, DC), Oscar Wilde Memorial Bookshop (New York City), and Womanbooks (New York City).

13. FEUCHT, RAINER C. *Homosexualität und Randgebiete*. Ulm: BMCF Antiquariat, 1977. About 60 pp. Carefully compiled bookseller’s catalogue of 640 items in several languages. Other useful European catalogues have been produced by the bookstores Les Mots à la Bouche (Paris), Prinz Eisenherz (Berlin), Sodom (Munich), and De Woelrat (The Hague).

14. GAY, JULES, "COMTE D’IÈNA." *Bibliographie des ouvrages relatifs à l’amour*. Fourth ed., revised

The most elaborate general erotic bibliography of the 19th century. See also: Louis Perceau, Bibliographie du roman érotique au XIXe siècle (Paris: Georges Fourdrinier, 1930; 2 vols.).


List of 563 current items selected to provide material that is supportive of gay people and arranged in ten major categories. In addition to books and some periodical citations (English language only), includes films and filmstrips.


Annotated list of original publications, fiction and nonfiction, arranged by country (Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, and Sweden).


Exemplary bibliography (3404 items) of German-language non-fiction material arranged in chronological order. Subject and author indexes. A complementary volume, admitting novels, short stories, poetry and plays, is in preparation.


Classified list for the year by author and subject (see esp. pp. 108–22). Apparently not continued. See also R. Beasly; and J. S. Brewer and R. W. Wright, above; and M. S. Weinberg and A. Bell, below.

Definitive catalogue of the long-mysterious British Library special collection, supplanting A. Rose (see below) for the items that it contains. Only a small number of entries are directly pertinent.

This list inaugurated the annual bibliographical coverage of the Jahrbuch für sexuelle Zwischenstufen, published under the auspices of the Berlin Scientific-Humanitarian Committee, which set world standards for homosexual bibliography. In the first ten years of compilation over 1000 contemporary publications were noted, some reviewed in considerable detail by Eugen Wilhelm.

Something of an omnium gatherum, but sometimes useful for out-of-the-way items. The author has since pursued more defined bibliographical tasks in excellent work produced under the auspices of the Canadian Gay Archives in Toronto.

23. MILLETT, ANTHONY PERCIVAL UPTON. Homosexuality: A Bibliography of Literature Published Since 1959 and Available in New Zealand. Wellington, NZ: Library School, 1967. 55 pp. (Bibliographical Series, 5)
Conscientious list, chiefly of interest for a few local publications.

Continued, with contributions from various researchers, in Gay Books Bulletin, nos. 7-9.


Definitive bibliographie raisonnée of the famous Enfer (private case) of the Bibliothèque Nationale, Paris. The
annotations contain much useful information on obscure
writers, editors, and publishers. Alphabetically arranged
by title, with author index.

27. POTTER, CLARE. The Lesbian Periodicals Index.
Comprehensive index of 42 U.S. lesbian periodicals by
author and subject (1947ff.). Does not include The
Ladder (which has its own index, included in the 1975
Arno Press reprint) or "mixed" periodicals with sub-
stantial lesbian content, such as Boston's Gay Community
News.

28. [ROSE, ALFRED.] "ROLF S. READE." Registrum
librorum eroticorum. London: privately printed,
1936. 2 vols.
Ambitious, occasionally disorganized and inaccurate list
of 5,061 erotic works in major European languages. A

29. SEROYA, FLORA C., et al. Sex and Sex Education: A
A well-balanced selection for the period, with some
annotation. Author, title, and analytic subject indexes.
"Homosexuality and Lesbianism" (pp. 94-104).

30. [SFEIR-YOUNIS, LOUIS F., ed]. Vital Research on
Homosexuality. Ann Arbor, MI: University Micro-
List of 214 M.A. and Ph.D. dissertations submitted to
U.S. universities, 1936-82, and available in xerox or
microfilm editions.

31. SHARMA, UMESH D., and WILFRIED C. RUDY. Homosex-
uality: A Selected Bibliography. Waterloo, Ont.: Waterloo
A conscientious effort in its time, now largely obsolete.

32. SHORE, DAVID A. An Annotated Resource Guide to
Periodicals in Human Sexuality. Chicago: The
Discusses 53 periodicals.

33. SLEUTJES, MARTIEN (ed.). Catalogus van Leeuwen
Bibliotheek: Historische Bibliotheek van de
123 pp.
Catalogue of the collections of the leading Dutch homo-
sexual organization (ca. 2177 titles).

34. SURGEON GENERAL'S OFFICE. UNITED STATES ARMY.
Index-Catalogue of the Library. Washington,
vols. in 4 series.
Contains references to medical and psychiatric books and
articles in many languages, some not noticed elsewhere.
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See "Sexual Instinct ..." as well as "Homosexuality."


About selected 350 entries, almost all annotated. Chiefly nonfiction with a social-science emphasis, but including a few novels and poetry collections.


This pamphlet, ninth in the writer's series on Uranian love, concludes with the first known attempt at a separate bibliography on homosexuality (pp. 155-58). The list ("Schriften über Urmingsliebe") begins with Ulrich's first eight pamphlets, followed by 27 works in ancient and modern European languages. This bibliography is not included in reprints of the pamphlet.


The first half of this book catalogues the scholarly library of Paul H. Brandt ("Hans Licht"; 1875-1929), the great German expert on homosexuality in classical antiquity.


This large work, compiled under the auspices of the Kinsey Institute of Indiana University, provides detailed but uncritical abstracts for 1,263 books, pamphlets, and articles published in the English language from 1940 to 1968. The book stresses psychiatric, medical, and social-science contributions (many harshly negative), of which only a selection is given in this Guide. This compilation, which is conscientiously done within its own terms of reference, will serve to reconstruct the climate of opinion prevailing in the United States and Britain through the late 1960s.

B. PIONEERS

For reasons that have not yet been fully explained, the modern approach to the study of homosexual behavior—its etiology, cultural history, psychology, and sociology—originated in the 19th century, primarily in Germany. Independent scholars such as Hoessli and Ulrichs, very
much aware of their outsider status, delved deeply into
the history of the subject. Their accomplishments laid
the foundations for the Berlin Scientific-humanitarian
Committee, begun in 1897 with the dual aim of promoting
legal reform and knowledge. The 19th century also saw
the rise of the modern psychiatric approach to the
subject. (For Freudian psychoanalysis, see XVII.B-C.)

39. ALETRINO, ARNOLD. "Uranisme et dégénérance,"
Archives d'Anthropologie Criminelle, 23 (1908),
633-67.
An early sympathetic overview by a Dutch physician and
novelist (1858-1916), who concludes that "degeneracy and
innate homosexuality are no more closely linked than
degeneracy and heterosexuality." The belief that homosexual-
ity can occur in normal individuals was first enun-
ciated by Aletrino in "Over uranisme en het laatste werk
van Raffalovich (Marc André)," Psychiatrische en Neurolog-
ische Bladen 1 (1897), 351-65, 452-83. See Maurice van
Lieshout, "Stiefkind der natur: Het homobeeld bij Alet-

40. BLOCH, IWAN. Das Sexualleben unserer Zeit in
seinen Beziehungen zur modernen Kultur. Berlin:
Marcus, 1907. 822 pp.
An early synthesis of the whole field of sexology by a
Berlin dermatologist and polymath (1872-1922). There is
an English translation by M. Eden Paul, The Sexual Life
of Our Time in Its Relations to Modern Civilization
(London: William Heinemann, 1908; 790 pp.); see Chapter
19, "The Riddle of Homosexuality" (pp.487-535) and
Chapter 20, "Pseudo-Homosexuality" (pp. 537-54). Among
the many learned works Bloch published, his masterwork
is probably Der Ursprung der Syphilis (Jena: Fischer,
1901-11; 2 vols.). Bloch sometimes wrote under the
pseudonym "Eugen Duhren."

41. BLÜHER, HANS. Die Rede des Aristophanes: Proleg-
omena zu einer Soziologie des Menschengeschlechts.
An attempt, written towards the end of his life, by the
right-wing German homosexual theoretician (1888-1955), to
summarize his ideas. Blüher is best known for his stress
on the role of male bonding in the formation of states,
as seen in his: Die Rolle der Erotik in der männlichen
Gesellschaft (Jena: Diederichs, 1917-18; 2 vols.). See

42. BURTON, RICHARD, SIR. "Terminal Essay, Part IV,
Social Conditions—Pederasty," in The Book of the
Thousand Nights and a Night (London: privately
printed, 1886), vol. 10, pp. 205-54.
In this learned essay, the English diplomat and oriental-
ist (1821-90) contends that there exists a "sotadic zone"
between the thirtieth and forty-third degrees, north