This guide provides selected information resources on awards, records, and prizes. Included in this guide are selected web resources and a brief list of reference resources.

**Selected Web Resources**

**Guinness World Records**
http://www.guinnessworldrecords.com/

The Guinness world records website contains the online version of the famous print publication. Records can be searched by keyword(s) but are also accessible by category, e.g. human body, natural world, sports and games, etc. And if you've always wanted to be in the Guinness records book, you can find information on the website about applying to set or break a record.

**Nobelpriize.org**
http://nobelprize.org

"The Nobel Prize is the first international award given yearly since 1901 for achievements in physics, chemistry, medicine, literature and peace." This site, the official website of the Nobel Foundation, lists all Nobel Prize winners in each category by year and provides biographical information and articles about the laureates. Laureates can also be searched by name and the contents of the website can be searched by keyword.

**Olympic Medal Winners Search**
http://www.olympic.org/uk/athletes/results/search_r_uk.asp

The official website of the Olympic Movement hosts a database of Olympic medal winners that is searchable in a variety of ways: by athlete's name; by event, gender, and medal; by continent or nation; by sport or event; and by "edition" (e.g. Athens 1896 summer games).
U.S. Army Center of Military History - Listings of Medal of Honor Citations
http://www.army.mil/cmh-pg/moh1.htm
"The President, in the name of Congress, has awarded more than 3,400 Medals of Honor to our nation's bravest Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Marines, and Coast Guardsmen since the decoration's creation in 1861." This website includes the full-text of Medals of Honor citations grouped by war. There is also a "Special Awards" section for World War II Black Medal of Honor Recipients and Asian-Pacific Americans Receive Medals of Honor.

The Pulitzer Prizes
http://www.pulitzer.org/
This is where you will find information about all of the Pulitzer Prize winners in each of the award categories in American journalism and American "letters, drama, and music." Winners or finalists are searchable by year or prize category. The texts of prize-winning articles, citations, and winners' biographies are searchable by keyword or exact phrase.

The National Book Foundation - National Book Awards Winners
http://www.nationalbook.org/nbawinners.html
Winners of the "nation's preeminent literary prize" are listed by year and the site includes their acceptance speeches. Winners of the National Book Foundation's Medal for Distinguished Contribution to American Letters, can also be found here.

The Man Booker Prize
http://www.themanbookerprize.com
"The prize aims to reward the best novel of the year written by a citizen of the Commonwealth or Republic of Ireland." Current Booker Prize winners and information about the prize are found on this website. There is also a website for The Man Booker International Prize which was first awarded in 2005.

The Peabody Awards - Search for Winners
http://www.peabody.uga.edu/archives/search.html
The Peabody Awards "recognize distinguished achievement and meritorious service by radio and television networks, stations, producing organizations, cable television organizations and individuals." The searchable Winners Archive enables you to retrieve award winners by year, key word(s), and several other parameters.

The Official Academy Awards Database
http://www.oscars.org/awardsdatabase/index.html
The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences has been granting the Oscar Awards since 1929. The database of past and current Oscar winners is searchable by: nominee name; award category; film or song title; and award year(s). The search can be further limited to winners only. If you are interested in American theater awards, take a look at the American Theatre Wing's Tony Awards archives. The network and cable television industry is recognized by the Academy
of Television Arts & Sciences' Emmy Awards.

The World Air Sports Federation - Aviation and Space World Records
http://www.fai.org/records
World aviation records organized by class of craft including free balloons, microlights, aeroplanes, spacecraft, etc.

Extreme Science
http://extremescience.com/index.html
Targeting children and young teens, this fun website includes world records in weather (e.g. wettest place, hottest place), in earth sciences (e.g. greatest earthquake, deepest place in the ocean), and in the "creature world" (e.g. biggest bug, oldest living thing).

OceanLink - Marine Animal Records
http://oceanlink.island.net/records.html
This is another attractive science website aimed at younger students. Records are given for "biggest, smallest, fastest, deepest" marine animals, e.g. fastest swimming dolphin, largest crustacean, smallest sea cucumber, etc.

Selected Reference Resources

Guinness World Records, 2006
REF AG243 .G87 2005
This well-known book claims that: "As well as listing the world's largest, tallest, heaviest and most extreme...[includes] exclusive celebrity interviews, key sporting facts...[and] new categories that bring the best-selling book of all time into the 21st century, such as the X Games, Digital Music, and Computer Games."

Each entry contains biographical data about a Nobel Prize winner, a paragraph explaining why the laureate received the prize, additional biographical sources, and selected publications written by the laureate. Includes name, education, nationality, and religion indexes.

A Century of Nobel Prizes Recipients: Chemistry, Physics, and Medicine
This book complements The Who's Who of Nobel Prize Winners, 1901-2000 by providing a more detailed description of the work done by the individual laureates in chemistry, physics, and medicine.

The Nobel Peace Prize and the Laureates : an Illustrated Biographical History, 1901-2001
The Book of Firsts
REF AG243 .H38 2003
Covers the "firsts" in a wide range of areas including "medicine; food, drink; trade and technology; and government, law and order." Features many illustrations. Entries are arranged by type of breakthrough. You may be interested in the following books which also discuss "firsts:"

The Book of Women's Firsts : Break-Through Achievements of Almost 1,000 American Women
REF CT3260 .R428 1992

Hispanic Firsts : 500 Years of Extraordinary Achievement
REF E184.S75 K36 1997

Black Firsts : 4,000 Ground-Breaking and Pioneering Events
REF E185 .B574 2003

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