

Docent Academy

Eugene O' Neill Resources

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Most of these books are still available, probably in local libraries or in bookstores which will have or can order for you. They are also available on Amazon.com.

Touring Eugene O'Neill's New London, Robert A. Richter, Connecticut College, 2001.

From the book cover: "Touring Eugene O'Neill's New London was created as part of Eugene O'Neill's New London: the influence of time & place a millennial celebration and exploration of Eugene O'Neill and New London County in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries (1885-1915) sponsored by the Arts Alliance of Southeastern Connecticut and Connecticut College"--T.p. verso.

Eugene O'Neill: A Life in Four Acts, Robert Dowling, Yale University Press, 2014

Written by a local author and professor of English at CCSU. Dr. Dowling is also on the Board of the Eugene O'Neill Society, and a Eugene O'Neill expert, who lives right in NL.

O'Neill: Life with Monte Cristo, Arthur and Barbara Gelb, Applause Books, 2000

Great biography of O'Neill and his family. The Gelbs were well known theatre critics, writers and journalists. Arthur was a long-time fixture at the NY Times and its Managing Editor in the late 1980's.

O'Neill: Son and Playwright, Louis Schaeffer, Little Brown and Co., 1968.

Volume I of very extensive biography of O'Neill's early life and early career. Good for info on his connections to New London. Available in paperback from Amazon, or can be ordered from local bookstores.

O'Neill: Son and Artist, Louis Schaeffer, Cooper Square Press, 2002.

Volume II on Eugene O'Neill's life from 1920. **Pulitzer Prize winner.**

Eugene O'Neill and Dat Ole Davil Sea, Robert Richter, Mystic Seaport, 2004.

The relationship of O'Neill and the sea and its continual influence on his life and work. Rob is a Docent Academy presenter. He is Director of Arts Programming at Connecticut College and an O'Neill expert.

The Library of America has published a three-volume set of the Complete Works of O'Neill. Readily available from the LOA on-line. <https://www.loa.org>.

The Public Library of New London does not have a great theatre section, Groton PL and Bill Library might be better places to find and of these books, or the Conn College Library. *

[Eugene O'Neill Theatre Center](https://www.theoneill.org/mcc) has information and some interior and exterior photos of the Monte Cristo Cottage. <https://www.theoneill.org/mcc>.

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