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RESOURCES FOR HISTORICAL FICTION

This is a collection of some of the resources I use when writing crime fiction. I hope this information is helpful to you.

Wellcome Collection This is a good source for contemporary texts from the 1600's to around 2000. Many are digitized and available for free online. You must acknowledge that you got the sources from them. www.Wellcomecollection.org/collections

The Metropolitan Museum of Art Their **Open Access** collection has about 10,000 historical photographs you can search through to find something relevant. www.metmuseum.org/about-the-met/policies-and-documents/open-access

Pennsylvania State Police Museum It is brimming with ideas and background for stories. www.psp-hemc.org 187 E. Hershey Park Drive, Hershey, PA 17033, phone 717-534-0565

Alcatraz Island This tourist location in San Francisco Bay may be worth the trip. I found it extremely informative. 415-561-4900 <https://www.nps.gov/alca/index.htm>

Eastern State Penitentiary Another extremely informative source located in Philadelphia. <https://www.easternstate.org>, 2027 Fairmount Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19130, (215) 236-3300

The Mob Museum Located in Las Vegas They have an informative tour on the rise and fall of the "Black Hand" in America. themobmuseum.org ,300 Stewart Ave, Las Vegas, NV 89101, (702) 229-2734

Freedom of Information Act Requests to the FBI or police

International Spy Museum Washington D.C., a phenomenal resource.

LEO (Law Enforcement Organizations) alumni groups There are many of these.

Crimescenewriter2@groups.io Writers are welcome to join this organization to ask experts for authentic advice to use in stories.

Society of Former Special Agents of the FBI This LEO publishes a monthly publication that authors and producers can utilize to elicit assistance from retired members that have information on specific FBI cases or procedures.

Don't forget museums & historical societies.

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