

Nebraska Memories Personal Name Headings

Examples of how personal name headings should be created for the Creator, Contributor, and Subject fields when no Library of Congress Authority records are available:

Nelson, Alice, 1904-	Living person
Nelson, Alice, 1904-1976	Both birth and death years known
May, Louis E., 1876-1951	
Hull, A. C. (Arundel Clyde), 1846-1908	
Nelson, Alice, 1904 or 5-1976	Year of birth uncertain but known to be one of two years
Nelson, Alice, 1904?-1976	Probable year of birth
Nelson, Alice, 1904-1976?	Probable year of death
Nelson, Alice, ca. 1904-1976	Year of birth uncertain by several years
Nelson, Alice, 1904-ca. 1976	Year of death uncertain by several years
Nelson, Alice, ca. 1904-ca. 1976	Both years approximate
Nelson, Alice, b. 1904	Year of death unknown
Nelson, Alice, b. ca. 1898	Year of birth uncertain by several years, year of death unknown
Nelson, Alice, d. 1976	Year of birth unknown

Personal name subject headings sometimes have subdivisions, but not place or other date subdivisions. For subdivisions that can be used with personal name headings in records specifically describing images, see <http://www.loc.gov/rr/print/tgm1/app-b.html>.