MYTHOLOGY
A GUIDE TO RESOURCES IN THE GUND LIBRARY

GUND LIBRARY REFERENCE BOOKS
The following are Gund Library books that are useful resources for quick information:

*Dictionary of Christian Lore and Legend*  Gen. Ref. BR/95/.M4
   Excellent guide to persons, places, and things from the Bible as well as related Christian subjects.

   Very good for ancient Greek and Roman myth; helpful index.

*Dictionary of Classical Mythology: Symbols, Attributes and Associations*  
   Gen. Ref. BL/715/.B44/1982
   Use the first section of this to identify Greek and Roman myths through their symbolism. Also contains sections on persons and expeditions. This is difficult to use but provides succinct information.

   This source may be used to identify Greek and Roman myths and subjects through their visual clues such as "cymbals" (which are an attribute of Bacchants). Provides good cross-references.

   Global coverage including Middle Eastern, Indian, African, North American, Slavic, Japanese, South and Central American, and South East Asian cultures.

   Focuses on Middle Eastern mythology including Zoroastrianism, Judaism, Christianity, Islam and Baha’i.

   Myths from all cultures are well covered. Contains an especially good index.

*Gods and Goddesses of Ancient Greece*  Gen. Ref. BL/782/.B36
   In-depth information on Greek deities.

   Arranged alphabetically, and with a good index, this iconographic guide provides brief descriptions of the god or hero, their representations and attributes, as well as variant name forms and cross references. Includes numerous small black and white illustrations and some full page color ones.

   All gods from all cultures are covered. Entries are short but include references.

   Explains well-known mythological and religious themes found in European paintings.

   Excellent for studying myths across all cultures and time periods. Some illustrations.
Mythology of All Races  Gen. Ref. BL/25/.M8 (vol. 1-10)
Covers the mythologies of all cultures with good index.

Great if you have a name and want the story.

Not just gods and persons, this also contains objects and places.

Artworks are listed in chronological order, delineating the history of artistic interest in the subject, including painting, sculpture, music, dance, opera, drama, and literature.

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ARTstor a digital library of nearly one million images in the areas of art, architecture, the humanities, and social sciences. For full access, register your account on campus.

WEB RESOURCES
Encyclopedia Mythica an encyclopedia of mythology, folklore, and religion. The mythology section is divided to six geographical regions: Africa, Americas, Asia, Europe, Middle East, and Oceania. The Folklore section contains general folklore, Arthurian legends, and fascinating folktales from many lands.

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