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DRAMATURGY – The Glass Menagerie

Dramaturgy in theatre is research for the purpose of informing acting choices on stage, set design, costumes, and basically getting to know the general vision of the author. Below are various areas for you to research. Search online for various facts and/or anecdotes pertaining to each area. Write notes for each.

1. PERIOD – St. Louis, 1945.

Big events? Economic status? Workforce? Rich and poor? Status of country as a whole? Etc.

2. TENNESSEE WILLIAMS

How many plays had he written? Reviews of this play? Any autobiographical elements to this play? His life at the time? Etc.

3. PEOPLE

What did people do socially? Who was the president? How many hours did middle class people work? What was an average family size? What was the state of health care? Etc.