Arthur Miller



Main works

- The man who had all the luck
- All my sons (1949)
- The Crucible (1953)
- Screenplay The Misfits

Screenplays + travel journals, short stories and essays

(17 October, 1915 – 10 February 10)

He was born in Harlem, New York, he was Jewish and of Jewish-Polish descent. At university, he majored in journalism .He married Marilyn Monroe in 1956, whom he divorced after 5 years of marriage. On June 1, 1957, Miller was found in contempt of Congress for refusing to give names of a literacy circle suspected of Communist Party affiliations. He was deprived of his passport, and he became a left-wing cause célèbre.

Historical context

The Cold war – McCarthysm: 1950/1954 a vociferous campaign against alleged communists in the US gvt and other institutions (writers, film directors, actors) carried under Senator Joseph McCarty. Many of those accused of being communists were blacklisted or lost their jobs. Most of them did not belong to the Communist Party

Literary movement

Modernism Post-modernism

Other writers

Harold Pinter

Tennesse Williams (A street car named Desire)