





Pablo Neruda

Chile
(1904-1973)



- 1904 Neruda is born in Parral, Chile, as Ricardo Neftalí Reyes. He spent his childhood in Temuco, Chile.
- 1924 *Veinte poemas de amor y una canción desesperada*, his first major book of poetry is published (Post-Modernist).
- 1924-1934 He occupies various posts as Chilean consul in Europe and Asia.
- 1927 He serves as Chile's consul in Rangoon, Burma.
- 1933-1935 *Residencia en la tierra* (Vanguardist poetry) published.
- 1934 He serves as Chilean consul in Madrid, Spain.
- 1935 Neruda founded literary journal, *Caballo verde para la poesía*, of the Vanguard movement.
- 1936-1937 In Spain during beginning of Spanish Civil War: he is very sympathetic with Republican cause in Civil War.
- 1937 *España en el corazón* book of poetry about the Spanish Civil War.
- 1937-1939 He returned to Chile
- 1939-1943 He served as the Chilean consul in México.
- 1943 Neruda joined the Communist Party.
He wrote *Canto general*: people's poet
Neruda visited Macchu Picchu.
- 1945 Neruda wrote *Alturas de Macchu Picchu*, which was published in 1950 in *Canto general*.
- 1947 *Tercera residencia*: he assumes the voice of the people's poet, which is also evident in *Alturas de Machu Picchu*.
- 1949-1953 He lived in exile from Chile.
- 1953 He returned to Chile.

- 1959 *Extravagaria*: again he publishes this book of poetry as the people's poet.
- 1966 *Fulgor y muerte de Joaquín Murieta* is published about California's version of Robin Hood (a drama).
- 1971 He is awarded the Nobel Prize for literature.
- 1973 He died of heart attack during the first few days of Gen. Pinochet's golpe de estado of the democratically-elected government of Salvador Allende.

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