

Timeline of Key Events

44BC Julius Caesar assassinated

43BC Birth of Ovid

Death of Cicero in the proscriptions ordered by the second triumvirate

42BC Caesar's assassins defeated at battle of Philippi

Late 40s BC Love Elegies of Gallus (now lost)

31BC Battle of Actium – victory of the future emperor Augustus over

Cleopatra and Mark Antony

Horace Epodes

27BC Augustus becomes first Roman emperor and makes the first

constitutional settlement of his position

Early 20s BC Propertius and Tibullus *Elegies*

Between 25 Ovid *Heroides*

and 15BC

23BC Horace *Odes* 1-3: Augustus modifies his constitutional position

From 20BC Ovid *Amores* 1

19BC Death of Virgil and Tibullus: Horace *Epistles* 1



18-17BC Augustus passes moral and social legislation

17BC Horace Carmen Saeculare

8BC Death of Horace and Maecenas

c.1BC Ovid Ars Amatoria

Before 8AD Ovid *Metamorphoses*: begins to write *Fasti*

8AD Ovid banished to Tomis

9-12AD Ovid: *Tristia, Ex Ponto*

Death of Augustus: accession of his stepson Tiberius as new emperor

17AD Death of Ovid