

beatnik

Core authors: Herbert
Humboldt, Ginsberg, Burroughs, Lucien
Clair, and Kerouac

By the time
"Beatnik" was
coined, many
young college
students had
adopted the
sterotype:

Beards, black
turtle necks,
sunglasses, and
striped shirts.

Beat literature
and philosophy
was not associated
with Communism
despite popular
beliefs.



The beatniks were
a reaction to
conformity of the
post-war 1950-1960s.
It started off as a
literature movement but
soon became a
subculture.

Women would
wear black leotards
and long, straight,
unadorned hair, to
protest against
middle class
culture of
beauty salon

They sat in
underground bars,
smoking and drinking
coffee.

Anti-materialistic