

GREAT FICTION BY AFRICAN-AMERICAN WRITERS: A STARTER LIST

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Classics

James Baldwin
Paul Laurence Dunbar
Ralph Ellison
Langston Hughes
Chester Himes
Julius Lester
Toni Morrison
Dorothy West
Richard Wright

Mystery/Suspense

Eleanor Taylor Bland
Barbara Hambly
Hugh Holton
Norman Kelley
Jake Lamar
Penny Mickelbury
Walter Mosley
Barbara Neely
Kris Nelscott
Valerie Wilson Wesley

Urban

Toni Cade Bambara
Paul Beatty
Wahida Clark
Nelson George
Brenda Jackson
Meesha Mink
Mary Monroe
Vickie Stringer
Omar Tyree
Carl Weber

Women

Pearl Cleage
J. California Cooper
Benilde Little
Sheneska Jackson
Bernice L. McFadden
Diane McKinney-Whetstone
Terry McMillan
Kimberla Lawson Roby
Ntozake Shange
Alice Walker

Romance

Rochelle Alers
Anita Richmond Bunkley
Gwynne Forster
Shirley Harrison
Donna O. Hill
Brenda Jackson
Terry McMillan
Kayla Perrin
Angela Winters

Modern Life

Parry Brown
Bebe Moore Campbell
Stephen Carter
Lorene Cary
Edwidge Danticat
Eric Jerome Dickey
Ernest J. Gaines
Jamaica Kincaid
Diane McKinney-Whetstone
Clarence Major
Toni Morrison
Gloria Naylor
Colson Whitehead

Historical

Barbara Hambly
Charles Johnson
Julius Lester
Toni Morrison

Sci-Fi/Fantasy

Steven Barnes
Octavia Butler
Tananarive Due

Men

Michael Baisden
Eric Jerome Dickey
E. Lynn Harris
Brian Keith Jackson
Kenji Jasper
Marcus Major
C. Kelly Robinson
Van Whitfield

The South

Ernest J. Gaines
Clarence Major