

AFRICAN-AMERICAN AUTHORS OF GEORGIA

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A List of Writers of Books, Men and Women Who Were Born
in Georgia or Have Lived in Georgia for at Least Five Years

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Abbreviations:

- C Children's author (has written more children's than adult books)
 G Georgia Writers Hall of Fame member (UGA Library)
 N Nobel Prize winner
 P Pulitzer Prize winner
 R The author is listed in a nationally recognized Reference book on authors or literary criticism:
 Contemporary Authors, Black Writers, Contemporary Literary Criticism, etc.
 T Townsend Prize for Fiction (administered by Prof. Lawrence Hetrick, Georgia Perimeter College)
 * Contemporary author (published within the last two decades)
 b. = born; l. = lives/lived; d. = died

NOTES: Subject written about, occupation,
town or place in Georgia, etc.

- *R Aldridge, Delores P. (Black male-female relationships; Emory prof.)
 R Andrews, Raymond, 1934-1991 (b. in Madison)
 *R Ansa, Tina McElroy, 1949- (l. in Macon, St. Simon's, & Atl.; journalist for Atl. J & C)
 *R Bailey, Cornelia (African-American women on Sapelo Island)
 R Bambara, Toni Cade, 1939-1995 (fiction; social issues, with humor; l. in Atlanta)
 * Bay, Edna G. (women in Africa; Emory prof.)
 * Bell-Scott, Patricia (Black women's narratives; prof. of child & family development at UGA, Athens)
 * Benson, Angela (black romance fiction)
 * Bey, Teresa M. (educational leadership & mentoring; educator & former classroom teacher; UGA prof.)
 R Bond, Horace Mann, 1904-1972 (issues in higher ed. for Blacks; pres. of Ft. Valley State College)
 R Bond, Julian, 1940- (political leader; son of Horace Mann Bond)
 * Brady, Paul L., 1927- (African-American biography)
 * Brown, Lorene Byron (library science; prof. of library science in Atlanta)
 * Bush, Betty (her only title: Expect sunshine [a novel about African-American farmers]; l. in Decatur)
 * Byrd, Rudolph P. (African-American biography & literature; prof. of Afr.-Amer. lit. at Emory)
 * Carmichael, Jacqueline Miller (her only title: Trumpeting a fiery sound [literary crit.]; l. in Atlanta)
 Carter, Edward R. (Baptist clergy)
 * Clayton, Xernona (autobiography)
 *R Cleage, Pearl, 1948- (writer, dramatist, & broadcast journalist; l. in Atlanta)
 *C Coleman, Evelyn (juv. and adult fiction about African-Americans; l. in Atlanta)
 * Coleman, Gregory D. (only title: We're heaven bound ; l. in Atlanta)
 * Damali, Nia (her only title: Golden names for an African people)
 * Davenport, doris (poetry; b. in Cornelia)
 * Davis, Leroy (African-Amer. economic & agricultural hist., bio. of black educators; Emory history prof.)
 *R Davis, Ossie, 1917- (b. in Cogdell, l. in Homerville)
 Deloach, Nora (detective fiction; l. in DeKalb Co.)
 Dryden, Charles W., 1920-1997 (memoirs of a Tuskegee airman)
 G,R Du Bois, W. E. B., 1868-1963 [William Edward Burghardt Du Bois]
 * Eklof, Barbara (African-American customs and heritage; l. in Ellenwood)
 *R Erskine, Noel Leo (Black religion & identity; the church & economics; prof. at Emory U.)
 * Finch, Charles (M.D., prof., Morehouse School of Medicine)
 *R Fowler, Carolyn (the teaching of English; Haitian literature; A.U. prof. of Black Literature)
 Franklin, Hardy (library director; former pres. of American Library Assoc.; b. in Rome)
 R Fuller, Hoyt W., 1927-1981 (b. in Atlanta)
 *R Grier, Rosey (multicultural success stories; football player & minister; b. in Cuthbert)
 * Grooms, Anthony (fiction about the civil rights period; l. in Atlanta)
 * Harris, Narvie (was teacher in Bainbridge; wrote: African-American education in DeKalb)
 *R Harris, Trudier (African-American history, culture, and lit.; Emory prof.)
 * Hawkins, Walter L. (Walter Lee), 1949- (African-American biography; l. in Atlanta)
 * Head, John, journalist (his only title: We were the land's [about Butts County]; l. in Jackson & Atlanta)
 * Hill, Shandra T. (domestic fiction set in Georgia; b. in Butler)

- *R Hornsby, Alton, Jr., 1940- (African-American history & statistics; b. in Atlanta; grad. of Morehouse)
- *A Hunt, Sharon (Southern cooking including African-American; 1. in Ft. Valley)
- *A Hunter, Travis (fiction about African-American families)
- * Imhotep, Akbar (storyteller at the Wren's Nest & elsewhere)
- * Irvine, Jacqueline Jordan (minority education; Black students' social conditions; Emory prof.)
- R Johnson, Georgia Douglas Camp, 1886-1966 (poetry; drama; Black theater; b. in Atlanta)
- Jones, Wesley B. (his only title: Odie B. [a biography]; 1. in Columbus)
- * Jordan, Vernon E., 1935- (civil rights, African-American biography; b. in Atlanta)
- G,R Killens, John Oliver, 1916-1987 (fiction; race relations; b. in Macon)
- * Kimbro, Dennis Paul, 1950- (African-American business success)
- * Kimbrough, Marjorie L., 1937- (business success of African-American women; faith & self-esteem)
- *R King, Coretta Scott, 1927-
- R King, Martin Luther, 1899-1984 ("Daddy King")
- G,N,R King, Martin Luther, Jr., 1927-1968
- * Lewis, John, 1940- (civil rights; U.S. Congressman; 1. in Atlanta)
- * Long, Eddie (Baptist clergy; Christian life; 1. in Decatur)
- *R Long, Richard A., 1927- (Black tradition--American dance; drama; poetry; Fulbright scholar; Emory prof.)
- *C,R Malone, James H. (James Hiram) (banking, economic conditons; b. in Winterville, 1. in Atlanta)
- * Mann, Kristin, 1946- (African diaspora, African social history; Emory prof.)
- * Martin, Sandy Dwayne (African missions)
- * Mason, Herman, Jr. ("Skip") (Black history in Atl.; dean at Morehouse College)
- R Mays, Benjamin Elijah, 1895-
- McPheeters, Annie L. (librarian; b. in Floyd County; 1. in Atlanta)
- *P,R McPherson, James A. (fiction; race relations; African-American literature prof.; b. in Savannah)
- *R Mickelbury, Penny, 1948- (detective fiction; b. in Atlanta; 1. in Athens & Atlanta)
- Mills, Joyce White (librarian in Marietta)
- * Miner, Ernest (nickname: "Sarge")
- * Newman, Susan (Atlanta clergy; wrote: Oh, God! a black woman's guide to sex & spirituality)
- * Nwanegwo, Valentine Chima Spera (African names; 1. in Columbus)
- * Payne, Betty Oglesby (her only title: Shine Annie; b. in rural Georgia, 1. in Union City)
- * Phillips, Kimberly S. (inspirational & motivational writing; 1. in East Point)
- *R Plowden, Martha Ward (adult/young-adult books about Black women; media specialist; b. & 1. in Atlanta)
- Reed, James W. (M.D.; prof. at Morehouse Med. School)
- * Siddle Walker, Vanessa (grade-school education of African Americans; prof. at Emory)
- * Sikes, Janice White (annotated bibliography on civil rights in the South; Atlanta librarian)
- *R Smith, Faye McDonald (her only title: Flight of the blackbird (fiction); 1. in Atl.)
- * Stroud, Bettye (African-American social life; 1. in Athens)
- Thomas, Velma Maia (Her only title: Lest we forget [African-American history]; 1. in Atlanta)
- * Thurmond, Michael (Georgia Commissioner of Labor; prof. at UGA; 1. Athens)
- *R Troup, Cornelius V. (Ga. biography; history of Morris Brown College)
- Turner, Henry McNeal (civil rights; pres., Morris Brown College, 1890-1900)
- *R Wade-Gayles, Gloria Jean (literary criticism; autobio.; prof. at Spelman College)
- *G,P,R,T Walker, Alice, 1944- (b. in Eatonton)
- Walker, Cornelia SEE Bailey, Cornelia
- Walker, Vanessa Siddle SEE Siddle Walker, Vanessa
- *R White, Franklin (fiction about African-American men & relationships; 1. in DeKalb Co.)
- R White, Walter Francis, 1893-1955 (race relations; fiction; b. in Atlanta)
- *C,R Wilkinson, Brenda, 1946- (fiction about Black youth & rural life; poetry; b. in Moultrie)
- * Wood, Lee Fuse (Atlanta neighborhood history)
- R Yerby, Frank, 1916-1991 (b. in Augusta)
- *R Young, Andrew Jackson, 1932- (civil rights, spiritual memoirs; former mayor of Atl.)
- * Youngblood, Shay (drama, fiction; b. in Columbus)

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