

Quick 'n Dirty Urban Literature

Authors

Adult

- 50 Cent
- Mark Anthony
- Ashley & JaQuavis
- Cash
- Chunichi
- Wahida Clark
- De'nesha Diamond
- Eric Jerome Dickey
- Iceberg Slim
- Treasure Hernandez
- La Jill Hunt
- E. N. Joy
- K'Wan
- Deja King
- Joy King
- Meesha Mink
- Walter Mosley
- Noire
- Kimberla Lawson Roby
- Sister Souljah
- Kiki Swinson
- Nikki Turner
- Omar Tyree
- Terri Woods
- Carl Weber
- Zane

Teen

Urban

- ReShonda Tate Billingsley
- Nikki Carter
- Babygirl Daniels
- L. Divine
- Sharon Flake
- Nikki Grimes
- Paul Langan (Bluford series)
- Darrien Lee
- Stephanie Perry Moore
- Anne Schraff
- Earl Sewell
- Ni-Ni Simone

Literary

- Coe Booth
- Sharon Draper
- Sharon Flake
- Angela Johnson
- Walter Dean Myers
- Jason Reynolds
- Alison VanDiepen
- Paul Volponi
- Jacqueline Woodson

Publishers

Adult

- Augustus Publishing
- Cartel Publications
- Cash Money Content
- DC Book Diva
- G Unit Books
- Grand Central Publishing
- G Street Chronicles
- Kimani Tru (Harlequin Kimani Romance)
- Melodrama Publishing
- One World Books
- Q-Boro Books
- Strebor Books
- Triple Crown Publications
- Urban Books
- Urban Renaissance
- Wahida Clark Publishing

Teen

- Dafina/KTeen/Kensington
- Darby Creek (Lerner)
- Grand Central Publishing
- KimaniTRU (Harlequin)
- Jump At The Sun (Disney/Hyperion)
- Lee & Low Books
- Saddleback
- Scholastic
- Simon & Schuster



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Display Ideas

- Stand Against Racism
- Black History Month
- Raise Your Awareness featuring books about Poverty and Disparity
- Blind Date with a Book and wrap up all black authors
- Raise Your Awareness featuring books about Poverty and Disparity
- Focus on well know black authors, Maya Angelou, etc.
- Jazz! Hip Hop! BBQ! Focus on areas of black culture
- Dewey number of the week focus on social justice or black history

Resources

- *The Readers' Advisory Guide to Street Lit* by Vanessa Irvin Morris
- *Urban Grit: A Guide to Street Lit* by Megan Honig
- Street Fiction - streetfiction.org
- QBR The Black Book Review - www.qbr.com
- Street Literature Review - streetlitreview.com
- Straight, No Chaser - www.straightchaser.com
- Urban Book Source - theubs.com
- Our Prezi: <https://prezi.com/rd6v5incor1-/>

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AWARDS

Street Lit Awards: 2014 Winners

Adult Nonfiction:

Letters to an Incarcerated Brother: Encouragement, Hope, and Healing from Inmates and Their Loved Ones by Hill Harper (Gotham)

Adult Fiction:

Honor Thy Thug by Wahida Clark (Cash Money Content)

Young Adult Literature:

Hip Hop Biography series (Saddleback Publishers)

www.streetliterature.com

In the Margins Book Award: 2015 Winners

Fiction:

How It Went Down by Kelka Magoon (Square Fish)

Nonfiction:

Left for Dead by Ebony Canion (Life Changing Books)

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