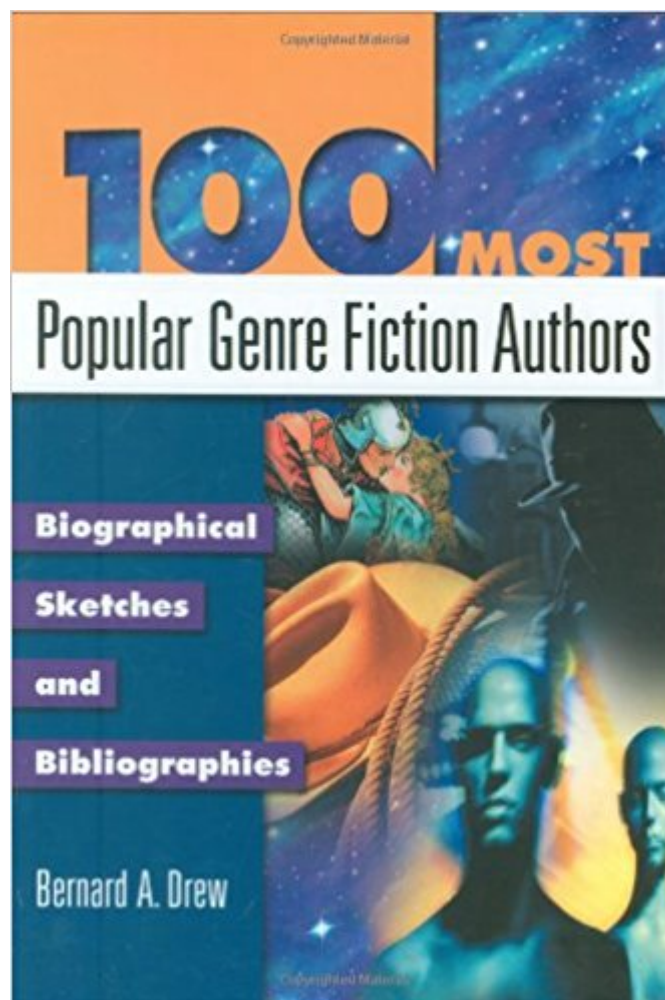




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## Synopsis

Genre authors, like genre fiction, often get no respect. Traditional biographical dictionaries tend to focus on established authors with literary credentials, and if genre writers are included, they are certainly not the focus of the book. Yet genre fans hunger for information about their favorite writers. This compilation focuses exclusively on genre fiction authors, more specifically today's most popular genre authors. It profiles representatives from all major genres (mystery/detective, crime, adventure/suspense, thriller, horror, fantasy, science fiction, western, historical, women's, and romance). Most are contemporary authors, but a few classics who are still in print and widely read (e.g., J.R.R. Tolkien), are included. Featured authors include Julia Alvarez, Maeve Binchy, Lawrence Sanders, Clive Cussler, Tony Hillerman, Jan Karon, Faye Kellerman, Dean Koontz, Charles de Lint, Robert Ludlum, Terry McMillan, Anne Rice, Nora Roberts, Scott Turow, and Stuart Woods. A wonderful reference, particularly for readers' advisors and adult and teen readers seeking information about their favorite writers, this book can also be used as a source for student reports and research papers. It is an affordable alternative to multivolume sets. Young adult and adult. Grades 10 and up.

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written two other books in the series: *100 Most Popular Young Adult Authors* (1996) and *100 More Popular Young Adult Authors* (2002). In his introduction to the latest title, Drew notes that popular genre fiction generally "gets no respect." The list of 100 authors was compiled using best-seller lists, sales statistics, and fans, with librarians and genre experts acting as reviewers. The many possible choices were narrowed to those authors who in recent years have shown influence in their genres, among them Tom Clancy, Diana Gabaldon, Sara Paretsky, Nora Roberts, John Saul, and Scott Turow. All major genres are represented. Each A-Z entry starts with the author's year and place of birth, a headshot if one was available, a list of genres into which the author's works fall, and the title of one of the author's best-known works or series. Biographical information is very condensed, talking briefly about school and family. Most of the focus is on the writing. Many entries contain information about how the authors do research, how they schedule their writing time, and where they find inspiration for their plots and characters. Each entry also has a listing of the author's works, divided into categories such as fiction, nonfiction, anthologies, teleplays, novels made into movies, and series. At the end of each entry is a listing for further information. The volume's content is indexed by genre and by author and title. The "Genre Index" includes some characters as well as genres and themes. This is a great resource for patrons who want to know more about their favorite authors. It can also serve as a good readers' advisory tool. Recommended for all public libraries.

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