

# Ohio Literary Map

## Author Listing

### Cartoons & Graphic Novels

Tom Batiuk \*  
Brian Bendis  
Jim Borgman  
Milton Caniff \*  
R. Crumb  
Billy Ireland \*  
Tony Isabella \*  
R. F. Outcault \*  
Harvey Pekar \*  
P. Craig Russell  
Joe Shuster  
Jerry Siegel \*  
Jeff Smith  
Brian K. Vaughn \*  
Bill Watterson  
Tom Wilson Jr. \*  
Tom Wilson Sr.

### Crime & Mystery Fiction

Delano Ames \*  
P. L. Gaus \*  
Elizabeth George \*  
Robert Greer  
Karen Harper \*  
Chester Himes  
Richard North Patterson  
Les Roberts  
Andrew Welsh-Huggins

### Food Writing

Jeni Britton Bauer  
Faith Durand  
Eric LeMay  
Michael Ruhlman \*  
Bev Shaffer  
Del Sroufe  
Marilou Suszko  
Michael Symon \*  
Laura Taxel

### History & Culture

Martin Robison Delany  
Christine Brennan \*  
Douglas Brinkley  
Michael Dirda \*  
David Giffels  
Jean Gould \*  
Ann Hagedorn \*  
Wil Haygood \*  
Lafcadio Hearn  
William Dean Howells \*  
Anne O'Hare McCormick  
William Holmes McGuffey  
Petroleum V. Nasby  
(David Ross Locke)  
Susan Orlean \*

Norman Vincent Peale \*  
Brad Ricca \*  
Julie Salamon \*  
Scott Russell Sanders  
Arthur Schlesinger Jr. \*  
Connie Schultz \*  
Gloria Steinem \*  
Loung Ung  
Carr Van Anda \*  
Earl Wilson \*  
Victoria Woodhull \*

### Humor

Erma Bombeck \*  
Jake Falstaff \* (Herman Fetzer)  
Ian Frazier \*  
Mark O'Donnell \*  
P.J. O'Rourke \*  
Bentz Plagemann \*  
James Thurber \*

### Literary & General Fiction

Lee K. Abbott  
Sherwood Anderson \*  
Ambrose Bierce \*  
Kay Boyle  
Louis Bromfield \*  
Dan Chaon  
Charles Chesnutt \*  
Jennifer Chiaverini  
Jennifer Crusie \*  
Anthony Doerr \*  
Allan W. Eckert  
William Gass  
Zane Grey \*  
O. Henry (William Sydney Porter)  
John Jakes  
Katrina Kittle  
Paula McLain  
Lee Martin  
Toni Morrison  
Robert Olmstead  
Susan Orlean \*  
James Purdy \*  
Jack Warner Schaefer \*  
Leah Stewart  
Harriet Beecher Stowe  
Thirly Umrigar  
Edmund White \*  
Mark Winegardner \*

### Plays & Screenplays

W. R. Burnett \*  
Suzanne Clauser  
Russell Crouse \*  
Adrienne Kennedy  
Jerome Lawrence \*  
Robert E. Lee \*

### \* Born in Ohio

Tad Mosel \*  
Chiquita Mullens Lee  
Eleanor Perry \*  
James Purdy \*  
Rod Serling  
Donald Ogden Stewart \*

### Poetry

Kazim Ali  
Maggie Anderson  
Russell Atkins \*  
David Baker  
George Bilgere  
Imogene Bolts  
Hale Chatfield  
David Citino \*  
Hart Crane \*  
Wayne Dodd  
Rita Dove \*  
Paul Laurence Dunbar \*

Nikki Giovanni  
Elton Glaser  
Alvin Greenberg \*  
Richard Howard \*  
Andrew Hudgins  
Langston Hughes  
Kenneth Koch \*  
Amit Majmudar  
Howard McCord  
Thylas Moss \*  
Mary Oliver \*  
Kenneth Patchen \*  
Stanley Plumly \*  
John Crowe Ransom  
James Reiss  
Elizabeth Spire \*  
David Wagoner \*  
David Young  
Tessa Sweazy Webb \*  
James A. Wright \*

### Science Fiction & Fantasy

Gary Braunbeck \*  
Fredric Brown \*  
Lois McMaster Bujold \*  
Harlan Ellison \*  
Ellen Klages \*  
Geoffrey Landis  
Andre Norton \*  
Mike Resnick  
Mary Doria Russell  
John Scalzi  
Mary Turzillo  
David Weber \*  
Kate Wilhelm \*  
Roger Zelazny \*

### Young Readers— Children & Middle Grades

Tony Abbott \*  
Arnold Adoff  
Dan Andreasen  
Natalie Babbitt \*  
Mildred Wirt Benson  
Louise Borden \*  
Tim Bowers \*  
Michael Buckley \*  
Mary Kay Carson  
Andrea Cheng \*

Sharon Creech \*  
Jeffrey Ebbeler  
Denise Fleming \*  
Carole Gerber \*  
James Cross Giblin \*  
Margaret Peterson Haddix \*  
Virginia Hamilton \*  
Will Hillenbrand \*

Anna Grossnickle Hines \*  
Daniel Kirk  
Lois Lenski \*  
J. Patrick Lewis  
Loren Long  
Robert McCloskey \*  
Marilyn Nelson \*  
Shelley Pearsall \*

Dav Pilkey \*  
Nancy Roe Pimm  
Michael J. Rosen \*  
Cynthia Rylant  
Marcia Schonberg \*  
Tricia Springstubb  
Jan Wahl \*

### Young Readers—Teens

Laura Bickle  
Rae Carson  
Cinda Williams Chima \*  
Colleen Clayton \*  
Chris Crutcher \*  
Sharon M. Draper \*  
Angela Johnson  
Lisa Klein  
Mindy McGinnis  
Robin McKinley \*  
Brandon Marie Miller  
Edith Pattou  
Amjed Qamar  
R.L. Stine \*  
Megan Whalen Turner

Mildred Taylor  
Stephanie S. Tolan \*  
Jacqueline Woodson \*

### LITERARY OHIO DESTINATIONS

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**Northwest Ohio**  
Clyde Historical Museum

**Northeast Ohio**  
Buckeye Book Fair  
Malabar Farm  
Oak Hill Cottage  
Ohio Center for the Book at Cleveland Public Library

**Southwest Ohio**  
Books by the Banks  
Harriet Beecher Stowe House  
The Rankin House State Memorial  
Paul Laurence Dunbar State Memorial  
McGuffey Museum

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Dard Hunter Studios and Mountain House Press  
National Road and Zane Grey Museum

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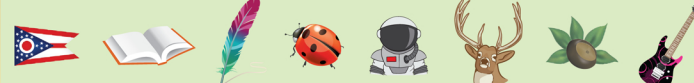
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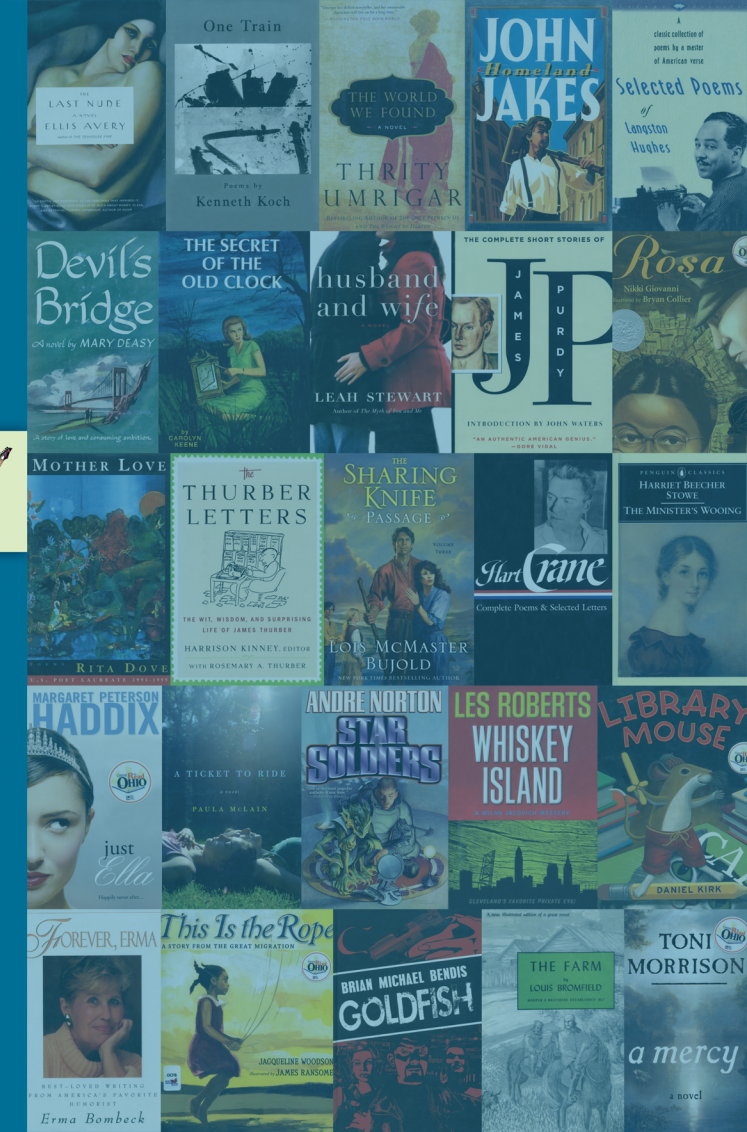
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Humor

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About the Ohio Literary Map

We are proud to present the 2016 updated edition of the Ohio Literary Map, a guide to the rich literary legacy of the Buckeye State. Thousands of Ohioans have made substantial and lasting contributions to America's literary heritage. Since it is impossible to list all the many notable writers on this map, a representative sampling of the talented writers who have called Ohio home are presented (individuals born in Ohio or who resided five years or more in the state). A selection of authors have been placed on the map itself in their respective counties in an effort to represent various corners of the state.

There are several criteria for inclusion on the map:

- Authors recognized as “classics,” whose works continue to be read, studied, and cited
- Authors who have won major literary awards
- Authors of books very popular with readers

Every effort has been made to create an accurate representation of Ohio writers who have met the above criteria. With a project of such a large scope, regrettably there may be omissions or errors.

This edition of the Ohio Literary Map also includes a section of Literary Ohio Destinations such as literary landmarks, sites, and festivals.

Additional information about individual authors and events across the state may be found on the Ohio Center for the Book website: [www.ohiocenterforthebook.org](http://www.ohiocenterforthebook.org), and the Ohioana Library Association website: [www.ohioana.org](http://www.ohioana.org). The Choose to Read Ohio program supports Ohio authors and their works and is sponsored by the State Library of Ohio: [www.library.ohio.gov/ctro](http://www.library.ohio.gov/ctro).

Enjoy your journey through the literary landscape of Ohio. Learn, discover, and celebrate the outstanding literary contributions of individuals from the Buckeye State.

This Ohio Literary Map has been produced through the collaboration of the Ohioana Library Association, the Ohio Center for the Book at Cleveland Public Library, and the State Library of Ohio.



The Ohioana Library is dedicated to collecting, preserving, and celebrating the written work of Ohio's writers, artists, and musicians.

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The State Library of Ohio is a state agency that serves state government, all types of libraries, and residents. The vision of the State Library of Ohio is a Smarter Ohio where every Ohioan can access the necessary resources to be engaged citizens, excel at their jobs, participate in the workforce, and pursue their passions and interests.

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Literary Ohio Destinations

**Northwest Ohio**

**Clyde Historical Museum** (Clyde)  
<http://www.clydeheritageleague.org>  
Sherwood Anderson grew up in Clyde, Ohio, and made it the setting for his classic, *Winesburg, Ohio*.

**Northeast Ohio**

**Buckeye Book Fair** (Wooster)  
<http://www.buckeyebookfair.com>  
The annual Buckeye Book Fair is a full day event featuring nearly 100 Ohio authors and illustrators. They meet with readers, autograph and sell copies of their latest works, and celebrate the joys of reading and writing with thousands of attendees.

**Malabar Farm** (Lucas)  
<http://www.malabarfarm.org>  
Home of novelist, screenwriter and conservationist Louis Bromfield, an Ohio author.

**Oak Hill Cottage** (Mansfield)  
<http://www.oakhillcottage.org>  
A meticulously restored and preserved Gothic house, where Louis Bromfield played as a child and wrote about it, in *The Green Bay Tree*.

**Ohio Center for the Book at Cleveland Public Library** (Cleveland)  
<http://ohiocenterforthebook.org>  
We are dedicated to promoting and celebrating books, reading, literacy, and libraries to Ohio's citizens and the book community at large.

**Southwest Ohio**

**Books by the Banks** (Cincinnati)  
<http://booksbythebanks.org>  
Books by the Banks is an annual celebration of books and reading that takes place every October in downtown Cincinnati. The day-long festival, which is free and open to the public, features national, regional, and local authors and illustrators; book signings; panel discussions; and activities for the entire family to enjoy.

**Harriet Beecher Stowe House** (Cincinnati)  
<http://www.stowehousecincy.org>  
In this house, Harriet Beecher Stowe saw firsthand the evils of slavery that inspired her to write *Uncle Tom's Cabin*.

**The Rankin House State Memorial** (Ripley)  
<http://www.ripleyohio.net/htm/rankin.htm>  
The Rankin House was the home of John Rankin, who wrote *Letters on American Slavery* in 1826 and founded the Ohio Anti-Slavery Society in Zanesville in 1834. The Rankin House is a National Historical Landmark and former stop on the Underground Railroad.

**Paul Laurence Dunbar State Memorial** (Dayton)  
<http://www.daytonhistory.org/destinations/paul-laurence-dunbar-house-historic-site>  
The home of Paul Laurence Dunbar, the first African-American poet to earn international acclaim.

**McGuffey Museum** (Oxford)  
<http://miamioh.edu/ccca/mcguffey-museum>  
Celebrates the life of William Holmes McGuffey, author of the *McGuffey Readers*, a series of books that educated generations of Americans.

**Southeast Ohio**

**Dard Hunter Studios and Mountain House Press** (Chillicothe)  
<http://www.dardhunter.com>  
Dard Hunter lived in the Mountain House where he printed his books on papermaking. The site also includes the Dard Hunter Studios and the Mountain House Library and Archives.

**National Road and Zane Grey Museum** (Norwich)  
<https://www.ohiohistory.org/visit/museum-and-site-locator/national-road-and-zane-grey-museum>  
An extensive exhibit on Zane Grey, including a re-creation of his writing studio, and original manuscripts from his novels.

**Central Ohio**

**Thurber House** (Columbus)  
<http://www.thurberhouse.org>  
A literary center for readers and writers located in the restored home of James Thurber. The house contains a museum, which includes Thurber's typewriter and many photographs, letters, and drawings.

**Ohioana Book Festival** (Columbus)  
<http://www.ohioana.org>  
An annual spring event celebrating Ohio's literature.

**Poetry Out Loud** (Columbus)  
<http://www.oac.ohio.gov/poetryoutloud>  
A contest that encourages the nation's youth to learn about great poetry through memorization and recitation.