

★ Romance

A genre with a passionate following...

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★ Where it all started...

- *Pamela, or Virtue Rewarded* by Samuel Richardson (1740)
- *Pride and Prejudice* by Jane Austen (1813)
- *The Sheik* by E.M. Hull (1919)
- Historical Romance - Georgette Heyer (1921)
- Mills and Boon (1930s)
- Mary Stewart (1950s)
- Harlequin (1957; 1971)

★ Where it went from there...

- Into the bedroom with *The Flame and the Flower* by Kathleen E. Woodiwiss (1972)
- Into the future with *Sweet Starfire* by Jayne Ann Krentz (1986)
- Into uncharted worlds full of witchcraft, vampires, time-travel and more (1980s and 90s)

★ Guiding your Readers

Check out this libguide: <http://guides.mysapl.org/content.php?pid=64511&sid=476563>

Contemporary

Futuristic/Science Fiction

Historical

Paranormal

Mystery and Suspense

Multicultural

Fantasy

LGBT

★ Suggested Titles - Classics

- *The Coquette* by Hannah Foster (1797)
- *Jane Eyre* by Charlotte Bronte (1847)
- *The Black Lyon* by Jude Deveraux (1980)
- *Bridget Jones's Diary* by Helen Fielding (1996)
- *The Bride* by Julie Garwood (1989)
- *Captive Bride* by Johanna Lindsey (1977)
- *Crocodile on the Sandbank* by Elizabeth Peters (1975)
- *Born in Fire* by Nora Roberts (1994)

★ RUSA's 2013 Reading List

- *Firelight* by Kristen Callihan
- *When Beauty Tamed the Beast* by Eloisa James
- *Second Sight* by Amanda Quick
- *The Madness of Lord Ian MacKenzie* by Jennifer Ashley
- *The Black Hawk* by Joanna Bourne
- *At Your Pleasure* by Meredith Duran
- *A Lady Awakened* by Cecilia Grant
- *Lucky in Love* by Jill Shalvis

★ Selection Aids

Free publications:

- *Romance Sells*
 - Romance Writers of America

Articles:

- "Romancing Your Readers: How Public Libraries Can Become More Romance Reader Friendly"
 - John Charles and Cathie Linz
- "The Never-ending Story: Series Romance"
 - Nina C. Davis
- "All the Right Reasons: Romance Fiction in the Public Library"
 - Jayne Ann Krentz

★ More Selection Aids

Books:

- *The Romance Readers' Advisory: The Librarian's Guide to Love in the Stacks*
 - Ann Bouricius
- *Rocked by Romance: A Guide to Teen Romance Fiction*
 - Carolyn Carpan
- *Romance Today: An A-to-Z Guide to Contemporary American Romance Writers*
 - John Charles & Shelley Mosley
- *Romance Fiction: a Guide to the Genre*
 - Kristin Ramsdell

★ Guess What? There's More!

Web Resources:

- Romance Writers of America: <http://www.rwa.org>
- *RT Book Reviews*: <http://www.rtbookreviews.com>
- *Booklist Online*: <http://www.booklistonline.com>
- *Library Journal Online*: <http://www.libraryjournal.com>
- Romance Readers Anonymous Listerv (RRA-L):
<http://groups.yahoo.com>
- Romance Scholar Listerv:
<http://mailman.depaul.edu/mailman/listinfo/romancescholar>

★ The End!

Questions?