

## RESOURCES

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Herald, Diana Tixier. *Genreflecting: a Guide to Reading Interests in Genre Fiction*. 5<sup>th</sup> ed.

Herald, Diana Tixier. *Teen Genreflecting*.

King, Stephen. *Stephen King's Danse Macabre*.

Spratford, Becky Siegel. *The Horror Reader's Advisory: the Librarian's Guide to Vampires, Killer Tomatoes, and Haunted Houses*.

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# Horror Fiction

## Genre Study

## 2006



# Horror Writers to Try If You Enjoy. . .

## Fantasy

H.P. Lovecraft  
Stephen King (*The Dark Tower Series*)

## Historical

Chelsea Quinn Yarbro  
Barbara Hambly (*Those Who Hunt the Night*)

## Humor

Christopher Moore (*Bloodsucking Fiends*)  
Terry Pratchett and Neil Gaiman (*Good Omens*)

## Literary

M.R. James  
Michael Cadnum (*Nightlife*)

## Mystery

Tanya Huff

## Psychological

Shirley Jackson

## SHORT STORIES AND NOVELLAS

*The Oxford Book of Gothic Tales*, Baldick, Chris, ed.

*The Oxford Books of Twentieth-Century Ghost Stories*, Cox, Michael, ed.

*The Mammoth Book of Vampires*, Jones, Stephen, ed.  
Barker, Clive. *Books of Blood, The Essential Clive Barker: Selected Fiction*

*The Years Best Fantasy and Horror*, Datlow, Ellen S. and Terry Windling, eds.

King, Stephen. *Everything's Eventual: 14 Dark Tales*

Little, Bentley. *The Collection*

Poe, Edgar Allan. *The Collected Tales of Edgar Allan Poe*  
*Diagnosis: Terminal*, Wilson, F. Paul, ed.

*Dracula in London*, Elrod, P.N., ed.

### **Teen:**

*Gothic!: Ten Original Dark Tales*, Deborah Noyes, ed.

Krulik, Nancy E. *Haunted Tales: The Scariest Ghost Stories*

Pike, Christopher. *Tales of Terror #2*

Poe, Edgar Allen. *Edgar Allen Poe's Tales of Mystery and Madness*

Schwartz, Alvin. *Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark*

Vande Velde, Vivian. *Being Dead: Stories*

## SPLATTERPUNK OR EXTREME HORROR

Barker, Clive. *The Damnation Game*  
Brite, Poppy Z. *Lost Souls*  
Campbell, Ramsey. *Silent Children*  
Connolly, John. *Every Dead Thing*  
Ellis, Bret Easton. *American Psycho, Glamorama*  
Saul, John. *Black Lightning*  
Slade, Michael. *Ripper, Primal Scream, Swastika*  
Straub, Peter. *Floating Dragon*

## Romance

Laurell K. Hamilton  
Christine Feehan

## Science Fiction

John Farris (*The Fury*)

## Teen

R.L. Stine  
Various authors (*Buffy the Vampire Slayer series*)

## Thriller

Douglas Preston and Lincoln Child  
John Saul

## Western

Stephen King (*The Dark Tower Series*)

From The Readers' Advisory Guide to Genre Fiction, By  
Joyce G. Saricks. P. 118, fig. 6.2 Chicago: American  
Library Association, 2001.

## SOME SUGGESTED HORROR TITLES BY SUBGENRE

### Classics

Austen, Jane. *Northanger Abbey*  
Bradbury, Ray. *Something Wicked this Way Comes*  
Brontë, Emily. *Wuthering Heights*  
Conrad, Joseph. *The Heart of Darkness*  
Du Maurier, Daphne. *Rebecca*  
Hawthorne, Nathaniel. *House of Seven Gables*  
Washington, Irving. “*The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*”  
James, Henry. *The Turn of the Screw*  
Levin, Ira. *Rosemary’s Baby*  
Lewis, Matthew. *The Monk*  
March, William. *The Bad Seed*  
Poe, Edgar Allan. *The Collected Tales of Edgar Allan Poe*  
Shelley, Mary. *Frankenstein*  
Stevenson, Robert Louis. *The Strange Case of Dr.  
Jekyll and Mr. Hyde*  
Walpole, Horace. *The Castle of Otranto*

### Teen:

Jackson, Shirley. *The Haunting of Hill House*  
Lovecraft, H.P. *The Best of H.P. Lovecraft: Bloodcurdling  
Tales of Horror and the Macabre*  
Stoker, Bram. *Dracula*  
Wells, H.G. *The Invisible Man*

### PSYCHOLOGICAL

Andrews, V.C. *Flowers in the Attic*  
Barker, Clive. *Sacrament*  
Codrescu, Andrei. *The Blood Countess*  
du Maurier, Daphne. *Rebecca*  
Due, Tanarive. *The Between*  
King, Stephen. *Insomnia, It*  
Koontz, Dean. *Strangers*  
Marlowe, Stephen. *The Lighthouse at the End of the  
World*  
Matheson, Richard. *Now You See It-*  
Norman, Howard. *The Haunting of L*  
Saul, John. *Unloved*  
Straub, Peter. *The Hellfire Club*  
Wilhelm, Kate. *The Good Children*

### Teen:

Buffie, Margaret. *The Warnings*  
Carroll, Jenny (alias Meg Cabot). *When Lightning Strikes  
(1-800-WHERE-R-YOU)*  
Chandler, Elizabeth. *Legacy of Lies (Dark Secrets series)*  
Cooney, Caroline B. *Fog (Losing Christina series)*  
Duncan, Lois. *Gallows Hill*

## SCIENTIFIC AND BIOMEDICAL

Amos, Beth. *Cold White Fury*  
Brouwer, Sigmund. *Double Helix*  
Cook, Robin. *Mutation*  
Crichton, Michael. *The Andromeda Strain*  
Ghosh, Amitav. *The Calcutta Chromosome*  
Hecht, Daniel. *The Babel Effect*  
King, Stephen. *The Cell, The Stand*  
Levin, Ira. *The Stepford Wives*  
Matheson, Richard. *The Incredible Shrinking Man*  
Ouellette, Pierre. *The Third Pandemic*  
Palmer, Michael. *Natural Causes*  
Preston, Michael. *The Cobra Event*  
Saul, John. *Creature*  
Shelley, Mary. *Frankenstein*  
Spruill, Steven. *Daughter of Darkness*  
Well, H.G. *The Island of Doctor Moreau*  
Wilson, F. Paul. *Implant*

### Teen:

Golden, Christopher. *Body Bags, Soul Survivor (Body of Evidence Thrillers)*  
Halam, Ann. *Dr. Franklin's Island*  
Westerfeld, Scott. *Peeps*

## Ghosts and Haunted Houses

Anson, Jay. *Amityville Horror*  
Aycliffe, Jonathan. *The Lost*  
Barker, Clive. *In the Flesh*  
Bloch, Robert. *Lori*  
Campbell, Ramsey. *Nazareth Hill*  
Card, Orson Scott. *Lost Boys, Homebody*  
Erskine, Barbara. *House of Echoes*  
Etchison, Dennis. *Double Edge*  
Gideon, John. *Kindred*  
Girardi, Robert. *Madeleine's Ghost*  
Hodgson, William Hope. *The House on the Borderland*  
Hynd, Noel. *A Room for the Dead*  
King, Stephen. *Bag of Bones, The Shining*  
Klavan, Andrew. *The Uncanny*  
Masterton, Graham. *The House that Jack Built*  
Matheson, Richard. *Hell House*  
McCammon, Robert. *The Night Boat*  
McFarland, Dennis. *A Face at the Window*  
Rice, Anne. *Violin*  
Rickman, Phil. *December*  
Saul, John. *Nathaniel*  
Straub, Peter. *Ghost Story*

### Teen:

Almond, David. *Kit's Wilderness*  
Carroll, Jenny (alias Meg Cabot). *Shadowland (Mediator series)*  
Chandler, Elizabeth. *Dark Secrets: Legacy of Lies*  
Hahn, Mary Downing. *Look for Me by Moonlight*  
Jackson, Shirley. *The Haunting of Hill House*  
Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds. *Jade Green*  
Nixon, Joan Lowry. *The Haunting, Whispers from the Dead*  
Tolan, Stephanie. *Who's There?*

## Mummies, Zombies, and Golems

Barker, Clive. *The Damnation Game*  
Bradbury, Ray. *From the Dust Returned*  
King, Stephen. *The Dark Half*  
Koontz, Dean. *Mr. Murder*  
Lebbon, Tim. *Berserk*  
Little, Bentley. *The Walking*  
Rice, Anne. *The Mummy*  
Simmons, Dan. *Summer of Night*

### Teen:

Golden, Christopher. *Meets the Eye (Body of Evidence Thrillers)*  
Klaue, Annette Curtis. *Freaks*  
Sleator, William. *The Boy Who Couldn't Die*

## BLACK MAGIC, WITCHES, WARLOCKS, DEMONIC POSSESSION, AND SATANISM

Bachman, Richard (alias Stephen King). *Thinner*  
Blatty, William Peter. *The Exorcist*  
Card, Orson Scott. *Treasure Box*  
Gray, Muriel. *The Trickster*  
Gruber, Michael. *Tropic of Night*  
Harrison, Kim. *Dead Witch Walking*  
Koontz, Dean. *Darkfall*  
Levin, Ira. *Rosemary's Baby*  
Lewis, Matthew. *The Monk*  
Lumley, Brian. *Demogorgon*  
Michaels, Barbara. *The Dark on the Other Side*  
McCammon, Robert. R. *Speaks the Nightbird, Swan Song*  
Michaels, Barbara. *Other Worlds*  
Passarella, J.G. *Wither*  
Powers, Tim. *Last Call*  
Rice, Anne. *The Witching Hour, Lasher, Taltos: Lives of the Mayfair Witches*  
Straub, Peter. *Shadowland*  
Strieber, Whitley. *Unholy Fire*  
Wilson, F. Paul. *Nightworld*

### Teen:

Avi. *Devil's Race*  
Duncan, Lois. *Summer of Fear*  
Gilmore, Kate. *Enter Three Witches*  
Jennings, Patrick. *The Wolving Time*  
Jones, Diana Wynn. *Charmed Sphere (Chronicles of Chrestomanci)*  
Rees, Cecilia. *Witch Child*  
Sedgwick, Marcus. *Witch Hill*

## MYTHOLOGICAL MONSTERS AND THE OLD ONES

Gaiman, Neil. *American Gods*  
Goingback, Owl. *Crota*  
Farris, John. *Sacrifice*  
Joyce, Graham. *Requiem, The Tooth Fairy*  
King, Stephen. *Needful Things*  
Kleier, Glenn. *The Last Day*  
Koontz, Dean. *Phantoms, Twilight Eyes*  
Little, Bentley. *Revelation*  
Long, Jeff. *The Descent*  
Lumley, Brian. *Demogorgon, Titus Crow*  
McCammon, Robert R. *Swan Song*  
Michaels, Barbara. *The Sea King's Daughter*  
Peretti, Frank. *The Oath*  
Rangel, Kimberly. *Shadows*  
Rice, Anne. *Servant of the Bones*  
Wilson, F. Paul. *The Tomb (Repairman Jack Series)*

### Teen:

Allende, Isabel. *City of the Beasts*  
Carmody, Isobelle. *The Gathering*  
Zindel, Paul. *Loch*

## VAMPIRES

Brust, Steven. *Agyar*  
Elrod, P.N. *Bloodlist*  
Fox, Andrew. *Fat White Vampire Blues*  
Hambly, Barbara. *Traveling with the Dead*  
Hamilton, Laurell K. *Guilty Pleasures (Anita Blake series)*  
Harris, Charlaime. *Dead Until Dark (Sookie Stackhouse Series)*  
Hendee, Bob. *Dhampir*  
Huff, Tanya. *Blood Price (Victory Nelson series)*  
Kalogridis, Jeanne. *Children of the Vampire*  
King, Stephen. *'Salem's Lot*  
Laymon, Richard. *Traveling Vampire Show*  
Lumley, Brian. *Deadspeak, Necroscope (Necroscope series)*  
Matheson, Richard. *I am Legend*  
Martin, George R.R. *Fevre Dream*  
Reaves, Michael. *Night Hunter*  
Rice, Anne. *Interview with the Vampire (The Vampire Chronicles)*  
Simmons, Dan. *Carrion Comfort*  
Strieber, Whitley. *The Hunger*  
Sturgeon, Theodore. *Some of Your Blood*  
Wilson, F. Paul. *Midnight Mass*  
Yarbro, Chelsea Quinn. *Hotel Transylvania (The Saint Germain Chronicles)*

### Teen:

Atwater-Rhodes, Amelia. *In the Forests of the Night*  
Klaue, Annette Curtis. *The Silver Kiss*  
Meyer, Stephenie. *Twilight*  
Pierce, Meredith Ann. *Darkangel (Dark Angel Trilogy)*  
Pike, Christopher. *The Last Vampire*  
Shan, Darren. *Cirque du Freak (Cirque du Freak series)*  
Stoker, Bram. *Dracula*  
Vande Velde, Vivian. *Companions of the Night*

## Werewolves and Animals of Terror

Alten, Steve. *Meg, The Trench*  
Armstrong, Kelley. *Bitten, Stolen (Women of the  
Otherworld series)*  
Benchley, Peter. *Jaws*  
Borchardt, Alice. *The Silver Wolf (Wolf series)*  
Boyd, Donna. *The Passion (Werewolf series)*  
Crichton, Michael. *Jurassic Park, The Lost World*  
Garfield, Henry. *Room 13*  
Gregory, Stephen. *The Cormorant*  
King, Stephen. *Cujo, Cycle of the Werewolf*  
Koontz, Dean. *Watchers*  
Rovin, Jeff. *Vespers*  
Somtow, S.P. *Moon Dance*  
Strieber, Whitley. *The Forbidden Zone*

### **Teen:**

Hodgman, Ann. *Dark Music*  
Klaue, Annette Curtis. *Blood and Chocolate*  
Stewart, Mary. *A Walk in Wolf Wood*  
Van Belkom, Edo. *Wolf Pack*

## Maniacs and Other Monsters

Campbell, Ramsey. *One Safe Place*  
Dobyns, Stephen. *The Church of Dead Girls*  
Due, Tanarive. *My Soul to Keep*  
Gaiman, Neil. *Neverwhere*  
Harris, Thomas. *Red Dragon, The Silence of the Lambs,  
Hannibal*  
King, Stephen. *Carrie*  
Koontz, Dean. *Intensity, Phantoms*  
Little, Bentley. *The Store*  
March, William. *The Bad Seed*  
Pike, Christopher. *The Cold One*  
Preston, Douglas J. *The Relic*  
Rice, Anne. *Servant of the Bones*  
Saul, John. *Black Lightning*  
Shelley, Mary. *Frankenstein*  
Simmons, Dan. *Song of Kali*  
Stevenson, Robert Louis. *The Strange Case of Dr.  
Jekyll and Mr. Hyde*  
Strieber, Whitley. *Billy*  
Westlake, Donald. *The Ax*

### **Teen:**

Gross, Phillip. *Turn to Stone*  
Pike, Christopher. *Monster*  
Zindel, Paul. *The Doom Stone*