## **Local Authors**

#### TRACIE BARTON-BARRETT

Wake County, NC / Smithfield NC

Author of *Buried Deep in Our Hearts*. animalsconnectus.com

#### KIM BEALL

Franklin County, NC

Author of 2018 novel, Seven Turns, and other fiction. www.amazon.com/default/e/B07CYK8166

## KATHRYN EWERS BUNDY

Raleigh NC

Bundy combines her love of history and a fascination with the stories of women's lives in her novels. www.amazon.com/default/e/B004NWCWAW

## CORNELL WOODALL COX

Smithfield NC

Self-published his memoir, *Promise of Better Days: A Farm Boy's Odyssey through North Carolina's Tobacco Way of Life*. Book available for sale at The Heritage Center, 241 East Market Street, Smithfield NC. www.amazon.com/Promise-Better-Days-Odyssey-Carolinas/dp/153078879X

## STEVEN E. DAVIS

Wilson NC

Author of several novels and a nonfiction guide to homesteading. New novel, *Saponi*, released in 2018. www.amazon.com/default/ e/B0051RKRQO

## **DAYVID DIXON**

Cleveland NC

Nine-year-old author of A Girl Named Dayvid, with her mom, DeShannon Dixon. www.amazon.com/Named-Dayvid-DeShannon-Bynum-Dixon/dp/1505607019

## JOEL DOBSON

Wayne County, NC

Author of the nonfiction book, The Goldsboro Broken Arrow, on the 1961 nuclear incident in Wayne County. www.amazon.com/default/e/B00DHBPTSM

## HOPE TOLER DOUGHERTY

Smithfield NC

Dougherty is the author of three Christian romance novels: *Irish Encounter*, *Mars with Venus Rising*, and her latest, *Rescued Hearts*. hopetolerdougherty.com

### JACKIE DOVE-MILLER

Franklin County, NC

Poet and spoken-word artist who has published two books of poems. www.amazon.com/default/e/B00D2XO8Z0

#### TAMMY FALKNER

Louisburg NC

Author of over a dozen novels, including The Reed Brothers Series, this author is on Amazon at www.amazon.com/default/e/B00947BWFW

## SHARON EWELL FOSTER

Raleigh NC

Award-winning author and speaker. www.amazon.com/default/e/B001IOX6TC

## JAN HEMBY

Clayton NC / Wilson NC

Author of The Gates Manor Band and Burnt Toast, Devotions for Imperfect People. www.janhemby.com

## Dr. Gene Hester

Wendell NC

A retired biologist and author of *My Friend Hootie* and *Wood Duck Adventures*. Hester has taken Hootie's story to young audiences at local schools and book events. Readers are welcome to contact Hester at ehester 707@cox.net or 919-819-2252.

## ERIN KNIGHTLEY

Louisburg NC

*USA Today* best-selling author Knightley has written more than a half-dozen books. www.erinknightley.com

## LESLIE TALL MANNING

New Bern NC

Author of fiction and young-adult books. www.leslietallmanning.com

## MARGARET MARON

Willow Springs NC

NC Literary Hall of Fame inductee and award-winning mystery novelist and author of more than 30 novels and collections, including the Deborah Knott series and the Sigrid Harald series. www.margaretmaron.com

## RJ McCarthy

Franklin County, NC

Author of multiple novels including the Tony Quarry series. www.amazon.com/default/e/B00Q2SLYV8

## DAVID J. McGOWAN

Wilson Mills NC

Author of *Delta Shotgun*, about the year he spent in Vietnam flying reconnaissance in a two-seat Cessna. www.amazon.com/Delta-Shotgun-David-McGowan/dp/1478776862

## LEE MIMS

Clayton NC

Artist and author of three Cleo Cooper mysteries, Saving Cecil, Trusting Viktor and Hiding Gladys. www.leemims.com

## TODD CURTIS NARRON

Clayton NC

Author of *Country Stories of Ghosts and Bad Men*, 10 stories strongly inspired by tradition. Narron grew up on a Johnston Cty tobacco farm. www.amazon.com/Todd-Curtis-Narron/e/B011Q3WNVI

## LOUELLA NEAL

Kenly NC

Author of *God is Still Performing Miracles*. Neal is an evangelist who has preached at Temple of Praise in Selma. www.amazon.com/Still-Performing-Miracles-Evangelist-Louella/dp/0986194719

#### MICHAEL LEE NELSON

Wake Forest NC

Author of sci-fi novel, *Ceres* 2525, and other works, michealleenelson.net

## TITUS POLLARD

Clayton NC

Author of urban Christian novel, Living Right on Wrong Street. www.amazon.com/Living-Right-Wrong-Street-Urban/dp/1601628358

## SUSAN SCHILD

Clayton NC

Author of heart-warming small-town romances Linny's Sweet Dream List, Sweet Carolina Morning, and Sweet Southern Hearts. www.susanschild.com

#### SARAH SHABER

Raleigh NC

Author of a mystery series. www.facebook.com/sarahrshaber

#### **DONNA CAMPBELL SMITH**

Franklin County, NC

Author of fiction and non-fiction. www.donnacampbellsmith.com

#### DAVID O. STEPHENS

Smithfield, NC

Stephens is the author of The Plantation Mistress and Her Daughter," a memoir about Fannie Mitchener and Mary Hastings Lawrence. Stephens is married to Mary Stephens, the only surviving descendent of Mitchener (her great-grandmother) and Lawrence (her grandmother). Stephens' book is available at The Heritage Center, 241 East Market Street, Smithfield.

#### SHELBY STEPHENSON

Benson, NC native and past North Carolina Poet Laureate

Author of *Our World*, published by Press 53. Purchase a copy at www.press53.com/shelby-stephenson. Other publications

include *Fiddledeedee*, *Family Matters: Homage to July, The Slave Girl.* www.shelbystephenson.com

## PERRY SULLIVAN

St. Louis MO / Johnston County, NC

Author of the memoir, Lost Flowers: True Stories of the Moonshine King, Percy Flowers. Information about Flowers is part of the exhibit, White Liquor and White Lies, through December 2018 at The Heritage Center, Smithfield NC. His book is available there and via www.lostflowersbook.com

## PAT TIFFIN

Raleigh NC

Author of *No New Messages* and other works. www.smashwords.com/profile/view/pattiffin

## LEAH WARD

Smithfield NC

Author of children's book, Pinny the Bowling Pin, and young adult novels, Searching for Darkness and Chasing the Darkness. leahwardauthor.wixsite.com/books

### K.F. WHATLEY

Zebulon NC

Author of fiction with first novel released in 2018. www.amazon.com/default/e/B01N9VS9V4

## TWIN COUNTIES AUTHORS

Towns Not Listed

Shonte Monroe: Author of *Life is Challenging but Hang in There*.

Karen Suffern: Author of From the Inside Out.

Dr. Tiffany Tyson: Author of Urban Princess books.

Otto Brinkley: Author of Food for Thought.

Bishop Van Sharpe: Author of *The Blessings* of Rejection.

Robin Reams: Author of *Shadow of the Mountain*.

Lynette Britt: Author of *God Gave A Gift In The Form Of A Dream, Don't Let It Die.* 

Annie Barlow: Author of *Thoughts from the Heart*.

# **Eastern NC Writers' Groups and Events**

## FRANKLIN COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL WRITERS' GUILD

The Writers' Guild holds regular meetings, including social events and read/feedback type events for works-in-progress. FCAC Writers Guild supports and encourages writers of all genres and levels of expertise. New members are always welcome.

Follow the Writer's Guild on Facebook at www.facebook.com/groups/ 382477001763828

Contact Donna Campbell Smith at DonnaCampbellSmith@gmail.com for information about the Writer's Guild.

## JOHNSTON COUNTY WRITERS

100 Days of Writing: Free summer 2018 events for writers in Johnston County. All are open to the public.

**Wednesday Write Ins**, every Wednesday, June-August, 2-4pm at Milltown Java, 116 S Center Street, Princeton NC.

Thursdays - The Artist's Way: A Spiritual Path to Higher Creativity, every Thursday through August 23, from 10 am to noon at the

Selma NC Visitors Center, 112 E Anderson Street, (in the Jernigan Building), Selma NC. Drop in for any or all sessions.

Second Thursdays - Johnston County Writers Group meets July 12 and August 9, 2018 at 6:30pm at Selma Public Library, 301 N Pollock Street, Selma NC.

**Fourth Fridays - Amateur Open Mic** on July 27 and August 24 from 7 to 9 pm at Kosmic Kittens Cat Lounge, 103 S Raiford Street, Selma NC.

With questions regarding this writers' group, contact Cindy Brookshire at brookshire1014@verizon.net or 919-202-5990.

## SISTERS IN CRIME TRIAD CHAPTER Greensboro NC

Hold regular events including the "Murder We Write" events with guest speakers. www.murderwewrite.org

## PAMLICO WRITERS GROUP

Washington NC

The Pamlico Writers Group (PWG), describes itself as "one of the oldest writers

groups in Eastern North Carolina." The group meets in the historic Turnage Theater, 150 W Main Street, Washington NC. Membership is \$25 per year; high school and college student memberships are free. pamlicowritersgroup.wildapricot.org

## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

The Durham Writer's Group www.meetup.com/dwg-writers

Triangle Writers Meetup Group and its subgroups — www.meetup.com/writers-797

The Writers' Workshop of Asheville NC — www.twwoa.org

Writers' Group of the Triad — triadwriters.org

Burlington Writers Club (not year-round) — www.burlingtonwritersclub.org

North Carolina Writers' Network, which holds many readings and events — www.ncwriters.org

North Carolina Writers' Network-West's Mountain Writers & Poets — netwestwriters.blogspot.com