

Romance Genre Resources

Romance Writers of America (RWA) - <http://www.rwa.org/>

RWA is a professional organization of romance authors (published and aspiring) and it presents the RITA awards http://www.rwa.org/cs/contests_and_awards/rita_awards which recognize outstanding published romance fiction. Check out the bookseller/librarian's section for romance statistics (industry and readership) plus definitions of the genre. In About RWA section, you can find links to RWA local and online chapters. Special interest chapters include the mystery/suspense Kiss of Death Chapter <http://www.rwamysterysuspense.org/> and the inspirational Faith, Hope, & Love Chapter <http://www.faithhopelove-rwa.org/>. For finding local authors, regional chapters are also listed such as the Wisconsin chapter <http://www.wisrwa.org/> (although not every member of a local chapter lives in that area; anyone can join and conferences/contests of the chapter attract new members).

RT Book Reviews Magazine - <http://www.rtbookreviews.com/>

Reviews & sensuality ratings for romances plus an awards section including Reviewers' Choice Best Book Awards and Career Achievement Best Author Awards
http://www.rtbookreviews.com/rt-awards/nominees-and-winners?award_type=book

All About Romance (AAR) - <http://www.likesbooks.com/home.html>

For and by romance readers, this site features reviews with sensuality ratings, commentary, and interviews. In the Reader's Choice section is an If You Like... feature (search by author or by subgenre). Plus an annual poll with winners of Best Romance and Best Romance Characters in a variety of categories. The AAR blog includes an audiobook column which lists upcoming releases plus reviews. Find a reviewer you agree with; use power search to find her other reviews.

NoveList (EBSCO database found on www.badgerlink.net)

Reviews, author read-a-like lists, awards lists, themed lists, reader's advisory articles.

Library Journal & Booklist each have romance reviews & best lists for the romance genre. Search the EBSCO Masterfile Premier database to find (try an author search for key reviewers Kristen Ramsdell, John Charles, or Shelley Mosley).

Sampling of websites & blog of Author, Author Groups & Publishers

For many romance authors, you can search their name in google to find their web sites.

Jayne Ann Krentz - <http://www.jayneannkrentz.com/>

Susan Elizabeth Phillips - <http://www.susanephillips.com/>

Christine Merrill - <http://christine-merrill.com/> (Wisconsin author)

Ann Voss Peterson - <http://www.annvospeterson.com> (Wisconsin Author)

The Goddess Blogs - <http://www.thegoddessblogs.com/>

Romance in Color - <http://www.romanceincolor.com/>

Random House - <http://www.romanceatrandom.com/>

Social Media Book Sites

Goodreads <http://www.goodreads.com/>

LibraryThing <http://www.librarything.com/>

Shelfari <http://www.shelfari.com/>