
Outstanding Reference Sources 2016

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The Outstanding Reference Sources Committee was established in 1958 to recommend the most outstanding reference publications published the previous year for small and medium-sized public and academic libraries. The selected titles are valuable reference resources and are highly recommended for inclusion in any library's reference collections.

The 2016 winners are the following:

Black Stereotypes in Popular Series Fiction, 1851–1955: Jim Crow Era Authors and Their Characters, by Bernard A. Drew. McFarland.

Civil War Biographies from the Western Waters: 956 Confederate and Union Naval and Military Personnel, Contractors, Politicians, Officials, Steamboat Pilots and Others, by Myron J. Smith Jr. McFarland.

The Encyclopedia of Victorian Literature, Dino Franco Felluga, editor. Wiley Blackwell.

Modern Genocide: The Definitive Resource and Document Collection, Paul R. Bartrop and Steven Leonard Jacobs, editors. ABC-CLIO.

The Oxford Illustrated Shakespeare Dictionary, by David and Ben Crystal. Oxford University Press.

The Peterson Reference Guide to Owls of North America and the Caribbean, by Scott Weidensaul. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt.

The SAGE Encyclopedia of Alcohol: Social, Cultural, and Historical Perspectives, Scott C. Martin, editor. SAGE.

Weird Sports and Wacky Games around the World: From Buzkashi to Zorbing, by Victoria Williams. ABC-CLIO.

Women's Rights in the United States: A Comprehensive Encyclopedia of Issues, Events, and People, Tiffany K. Wayne, editor. ABC-CLIO.

Worldmark Global Business and Economy Issues, Miranda Herbert Ferrara, editor. Gale.