

Local Authors Database

Scope

The Local Authors Database lists published authors whose works are set in the Pikes Peak region, who live or work in the region, or who write about the area. Authors are recommended for the database by library staff, the authors themselves, or members of the community. Participation in the database is voluntary. The database provides subject, word, and name search capability. Each entry in the database provides the following information on the authors: biographical profiles, listings of their published works, and availability for speaking engagements.

Criteria for Inclusion

- Author must live or work in the Pikes Peak region (El Paso and Teller Counties), OR
- Author's works are about the Pikes Peak region, OR
- Author's works are set in the Pikes Peak region.
- Author must be published.

Examples of published works include:

- Works that have received critical reviews or have been reviewed in established review journals.
- Works that can be found in public, academic, school, and special libraries.
- Works for which the author has received monetary compensation/payment.
- On-Demand publishing, self-publishing, and eBooks meet the criteria if the author is receiving monetary compensation for their work.

Examples of works that do not necessarily constitute published works and may not meet the criteria include:

- Works printed or distributed in quantity (fliers, booklets, etc).
- Electronic publications on websites, chat rooms, or blogs.
- Works written as part of one's occupation such as a technical writer or newspaper columnist.
- Desktop publishing.

Maintenance

The database is maintained by one librarian and one technician. It is expanded as new information is received. A database update is completed every two years. The technician in charge of the database screens prospective applicants to insure that they meet the necessary criteria. Authors who have moved from the Pikes Peak region or who are deceased are removed from the database. The technician may edit the author's information to remove any promotional language.

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