# The Great Depression – January 2019

## Nonfiction: Description and Memoirs

Watkins, T.H. The Great depression: America in the 1930s, 1993. Lots of pics, companion volume to the PBS series.

Dickstein, Morris. Dancing in the dark, 2009. Cultural history of the 1930s, mainly literature and movies.

Freedman, Russell. Children of the Great Depression, 2007. Pictures.

Simon, Kevin F. The WPA guide to Kentucky, 1997. Pictures, statistics, history, and biographies of special people and places.

Kalish, Mildred Armstrong. Little Heathens, 2007. Memoir of growing up on a farm during the depression.

Gup, Ted. A Secret gift, 2011. A son goes through his father’s papers and discovers who he really was, and a special time in his life.

## Fiction tales

Sanchez, Mary Louise. The Wind called my name, 2018. A Mexican family moves to Wyoming during the depression, and learns to find a place in their new land.

Peck, Richard. A long way from Chicago, 1999. Siblings must spend a week during their summers with an eccentric grandma during the first years of the depression.

King, Stephen. The Green Mile, 1996. In a penitentiary in depression-era Louisiana, a wrongly convicted murderer brings faith and grace back to a group of men who witness his miracles.

Brown, Sandra. Rainwater, 2009. In dusty Texas during the great depression, a widowed woman is trying to stay financially afloat, and takes in a boarder who changes her life in heartbreaking ways.

Garlock, Dorothy. By Starlight, 2012. To be able to finance her general store, a young Maddy Aldridge turns part of it into a speakeasy during the early years of the depression, but tensions mount as a handsome man comes to town and begins to court Maddy, concealing the fact that he is a Prohibition agent.

Flagg, Fannie. Fried Green Tomatoes at the Whistle Stop Café, 1987. A woman reflects on her life in a small Alabama town during the depression, and the friendships that held her life together.

Dallas, Sandra. Persian Pickle Club, 1995. A group of women in rural Kansas present a united front against depression hardships, and personal tragedy.