

Canadian Literary Agents

Literary agents represent your work to publishers. They have established relationships with editors within publishing houses and can find the best fit for your work. They also look after negotiations with contract details and can provide representation if any part of your book is illegally reproduced.

Reputable agents will be up to date on current publishing trends and can give authors expert advice on market changes and shifting trends. They are selective about who they will represent, and it can be helpful for an author to be referred by people who are involved in the publishing industry.

Typically, agents only accept a few clients in each year. When approaching agents, it is important to be well prepared by researching their interests, previous clients, and the kind of authors they want to represent. Always be respectful, and accept their feedback — and, yes, even their rejection — with grace. They are professionals and should always be treated as such.

Please note that author representation does not fall under the mandate of the Canadian Authors Association, and we do not refer prospective writers to literary agents.

Also note that this is not a complete list of Canadian agents, nor can we guarantee that the information is up to date. As is the case for all industries, things change and your best bet is to thoroughly review the website of each agent you wish to approach.

Literary Agents by Province

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Carolyn Swayze Literary Agency

Carolyn Swayze, Principal Agent
D. Barry Jones, Associate Agent
Kris Rothstein, Associate Agent
reception@swayzeagency.com
www.swayzeagency.com

Interests: Literary and commercial adult fiction, book length non-fiction (including biography, history, science writing, travel, humour and cookbooks), young adult novels. No science fiction, fantasy, romance, poetry, or screenplays.

Submission Guidelines: Not accepting unsolicited fiction submissions. Query with referrals for fiction. Professional non-fiction proposals accepted.

Seventh Avenue Literary Agency Ltd.

16708-20th Avenue
Surrey BC V3Z 9R4
Tel: 604-538-7252
rmackwood@seventhavelit.com
www.seventhavenuelit.com

Interests: Nonfiction only.

Submission Guidelines: <http://www.seventhavenuelit.com/submission-guidelines-for-non-fiction/>

ONTARIO

Acacia House Publishing Services Ltd.

51 Chestnut Ave.
 Brantford ON N3T 4C3
 Bill Hanna, Managing Director
 Kathy Olenski Associate Agent
 Tel: 519-752-0978
bhanna.acacia@rogers.com

Interests: Literary fiction (first novels, quality mysteries), commercial fiction; nonfiction (biographies, business, military, history, psychology, entertainment, memoirs, nature, spirituality belles lettres).

Submission Guidelines: Submit query by email.

CookeMcDermid Literary Management

Dean Cooke, Proprietor and Literary Agent
 Sally Harding, Proprietor and Literary Agent
 Chris Bucci, Proprietor and Literary Agent
 Martha Webb, Proprietor and Literary Agent
 Anne McDermid, Literary Agent
 Suzanne Brandreth, Literary Agent
 Ron Eckel, Literary Agent
 Rachel Letofsky, Literary Agent
 Paige Sisley, Associate Literary Agent
 Tel: 647-788-4010
admin@cookemcdermid.com
www.cookemcdermid.com

Interests: Literary and commercial fiction and nonfiction.

Submission Guidelines: Submissions should be made via the website's SUBMISSIONS tab.
<https://cookemcdermid.com/submissionsform>

Aurora Artists

19 Wroxeter Avenue
 Toronto ON M4K 1J5
 Janine S. Cheeseman, Principal Agent
 Tracy Essex-Simpson, Associate Agent
 Tel: 416-463-4634
 Fax: 416-463-4889
aurora.artists@sympatico.ca

Interests: Film and TV.

Submission Guidelines: Submit query by email.

Beverly Slopen Literary Agency

131 Bloor Street West, Suite 711
 Toronto ON M5S 1S3
 Beverly Slopen, Principal Agent
 Tel: 416-964-9598
 Fax: 416-921-7726

beverley@slopenagency.ca
www.slopenagency.ca

Interests: Fiction and nonfiction. Rarely handles illustrated or children's manuscripts or genre fiction (fantasy, horror, romance). No poetry.

Submission Guidelines: Doesn't take on many new authors. New clients are usually by referral or approached by the agency. To submit a work for consideration email a short query letter and a few sample pages. Submit only one work at a time. Does not accept hard copy submissions.

The Helen Heller Agency

253 Eglinton Avenue West, Suite 202
 Toronto ON M4R 1B1
 Helen Heller
 Sarah Heller
 Barbara Berson
 Tel: 416-489-0396
info@thehelenhelleragency.com
www.thehelenhelleragency.com

Interests: Literary fiction, historical, domestic, and contemporary novels, kidlit, YA, narrative non-fiction. Specializes in establishing new authors. Does not represent screenplays, cookbooks or picture books.

Submission Guidelines: Email the agent you feel would be most suitable with a brief introduction of yourself and synopsis of your book. Samples can be included, but no more than three chapters. Submissions sent by post will not be returned.

i2i Art Inc.

187 St. Johns Road
 Toronto ON M6P 1V3
 Tel: 416-505-9522
info@i2iart.com
www.i2iart.com

Interests: Representation for illustrators working for the publishing industry.

Submission Guidelines: Submit query by email to submissions@i2iart.com.

Kelly Consulting Agency

Toronto ON
 Lloyd Kelly, Literary Agent and Publishing Consultant
Lloyd@KellyConsultingAgency.com
www.kellyconsultingagency.com

Interests: Adult and children's titles, including current affairs, social responsibilities, justice, health, wealth, wisdom, environmental issues, humour, biography, pop culture, relationships, spirituality, and select fiction that would be considered thematically important and universally relevant.

Submission Guidelines: Email an outline (1-2 page synopsis) of your manuscript and a few sample chapters.

Rick Broadhead & Associates

501-47 St. Clair Avenue West
Toronto ON M4V 3A5

Rick Broadhead, President

(416) 929-0516 (Tel)

submissions@rbaliterary.com

www.rbaliterary.com

Interests: Represents leading journalists, storytellers, politicians, business executives, nutritionists, culinary authorities, historians, scholars, physicians, athletes, television and radio personalities, social media influencers, subject experts, trendsetters, and icons of popular culture, and place their book projects with major publishers in the United States, Canada, and worldwide.

Submission Guidelines: Submit query by email to submissions@rbaliterary.com.

The Bukowski Agency

14 Prince Arthur Avenue, Suite 202

Toronto ON M5R 1A9

Tel: 416-928-6728

Fax: 416-963-9978

assistant@thebukowskiagency.com

www.bukowskiagency.com

Interests: International literary agents in all media to authors of adult literary fiction and upmarket nonfiction as well as commercial fiction and nonfiction. Does not handle genre fiction, poetry, children's literature, picture books, film scripts or television scripts.

Submission Guidelines: Currently accepting fiction and non-fiction submissions by mail only.

The Pamela Paul Agency Inc.

1990 Bloor Street West, Suite 612

Toronto ON M6P 0B6

Pamela Paul, Agent

Tel: 416-410-5395

agency@interlog.com

Note: Not accepting new clients at this time.

The Rights Factory

Box 499, Stn C

Toronto ON M6J 3P6

Sam Hiyate, Agent Provocateur

Stacey Kondla, Literary Agent

Cassandra Rodgers, Literary Agent

Haskell Nussbaum, Associate Agent

Cecilia Lyra, Assistant Agent

Ali McDonald, Agent, Kidlit

Natalie Kimber, Literary Agent

Olga Filina, Associate Agent

Lindsay Leggett, Associate Agent

Emmy Nordstrom-Higdon, Assistant Agent

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www.therightsfactory.com

Interests: Primarily interested in quality nonfiction and literary and commercial fiction and YA.

Submission Guidelines: Submit query at <https://www.therightsfactory.com/submissions>.

Transatlantic Agency

2 Bloor Street East, Suite 3500

Toronto ON M4W 1A8

Tel: 416-488-9214

Fax: 416-929-3174

info@transatlanticagency.com

<https://www.transatlanticagency.com>

Interests: Children's and adult literature.

Submission Guidelines: Submit query at <https://www.transatlanticagency.com/submissions>.

Westwood Creative Artists

386 Huron Street

Toronto ON M5S 2G6

Chris Casuccio, Literary Agent

Jackie Kaiser, President/COO

Michael Levine, Chairman

Hilary McMahon, Executive Vice President

John Pearce, Literary Agent

Bruce Westwood, Founder/Managing Director/CEO

Tel: 416-964-3302

Fax: 416-975-9209

wca_office@wcaltd.com

<http://www.wcaltd.com>

Interests: Representation for fiction, nonfiction, film and TV. Does not represent screenwriters, playwrights or poets. Almost exclusively represents authors residing in Canada.

Submission Guidelines: Submit query by email to wca_office@wcaltd.com.

QUEBEC

Robert Lecker Agency

4055 Melrose Avenue

Montreal QC H4A 2S5

Robert Lecker, Agent

Tel: 514-830-4818

robert.lecker@gmail.com

www.leckeragency.com

Interests: Specializes in books about entertainment, music, popular culture, popular science, intellectual and cultural history, food and travel. Also receptive to books written by academics that can attract a broad range of readers.

Submission Guidelines: Submit query by email.