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This guide was compiled for limited use and will not be updated. If you are maintaining a list or directory, please do not link to it. It will disappear. It is selective and idiosyncratic. In the spirit of cyberpunk, most of the resources identified here come from sources found readily on the Web. These resources often reflect community efforts. It seems antithetical to provide a list of books and publications produced by academics reflecting on the meaning of cyberpunk, but it's easy to find yourself using the Do-It-Yourself tab.

Do it Yourself

Since its beginnings, cyberpunk has moved from a subgenre of science fiction into the mainstream of popular culture. Cyberpunk is characterized by the intersection of high technology with the more base aspects of the human condition. Cyberpunk works are often set in distopian hypercities in the not too distant future. A common theme is the dehumanization caused by the rapid uptake of technology including artificial intelligence, wearable/implantable technologies, biotechnology and cloning. The protagonists are often hackers, technologists, journalists, or criminals. Early works were heavily influenced by hacker culture and crime novels like those of Dashiell Hammet.

Literary Influences

Nineteen Eighty-Four by George Orwell ISBN: 0151660387 Publication Date: 1948

Brave New World by Aldus

Huxley

Publication Date: 1933

The Shockwave Rider by John

Brunner

Publication Date: 1976

Do Androids Dream of Electronic Sheep? by Philip K.

Dick

Publication Date: 1968



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Beginnings

Neuromancer by William Gibson; Jack Womack ISBN: 0441007465 Publication Date: 1984

The Conscience of a Hacker [The Hackers' Manifesto] by The Mentor [Loyd Blankenship] Publication Date: 1986

Mirrorshades by Bruce Sterling (Editor) ISBN: 0877958688

Publication Date: 1986-12-01

Ware Tetralogy by Rudy

Rucker

Schizmatrix by Bruce Sterling Publication Date: 1989



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Because Cyberpunk deals with technology, it's logical that enthusiasts have collected information about it on the Internet. The lists below are compiled in a variety of ways. Some lists are maintained by a single individual who cares deeply about Cyberpunk and how it is defined and may be more "authoritative". Others are collective efforts, and still others computer-generated and based on polling members of the community. All provide insight into the impact of Cyberpunk on popular culture and reflect different ways technology enables sharing of information.

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· "The Internet Speculative Fiction Database."

Mostly Fiction

- Blankenship, Loyd. "GURPS Cyberpunk - Bibliography."
- Rutledge, Amelia. "Cyberpunk Bibliography."
- "Best Cyberpunk Books (108 Books)."
- · "Cyberpunk Books."
- · "List of Cyberpunk Works." Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia 4 Apr. 2015. Wikipedia. Web.
- "NeuroSplicer's Cave: Top-10 Cyberpunk Novels You Must Read Before Dystopia Is Upon Us."
- "Top 25 Best Cyberpunk Books | Best Science Fiction Books."

Mostly for Academics

• "cyberpunk - Bibliography."

Mostly W eb Pages

- "The Cyberpunk Directory."
- "The Cyberpunk Project"

Mostly Games

- · "Category:Cyberpunk Video Games." Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia 29 Mar. 2013. Wikipedia.
- · "Category:Cyberpunk Games." Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia 1 Sept. 2009. Wikipedia.
- "Top Ranked Games in the Cyberpunk Jam - Itch.io."

Mostly Films

- The Cyberpunk Movies Database.
- "IMDb: Most Popular 'Cyberpunk' Feature Films With At Least 3,000 Votes."
- · "Category:Cyberpunk Films." Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia 23 Mar. 2014.
- · Vincent, Jules. "IMDb: Best Cyberpunk Movies - a List by Jules Vincent13."
- Ragga, R. "Cyberpunk Movies From Best to Worst - Rate Your Music."
- · Letterboxd, Arto. "Tech Noir/Cyberpunk/Dystopian Cinema & Their Precursors, a List of Films by Arto • Letterboxd."

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Very short list of cyberpunk authors.

Bruce Sterling

- "Bruce Sterling Wikipedia, the Free Encyclopedia."
- "Bruce Sterling Summary Bibliography."
- "Bruce Sterling Bibliography -Wikipedia, the Free Encyclopedia."
- "Bruce Sterling Professor of Internet Studies and Science Fiction - Bibliography."

Rudy Rucker

- "Rudy Rucker Wikipedia, the Free Encyclopedia."
- "Rudy Rucker Summary Bibliography."
- "Rudy Rucker Portal."
- "Rudy's Blog."

John Shirley

- "John Shirley." Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia 22 Apr. 2015. Wikipedia.
- "John Shirley Summary Bibliography."
- · "John Shirley Blog."

Nola Hopkinson

- "Nalo Hopkinson Wikipedia, the Free Encyclopedia."
- "Nalo Hopkinson Summary Bibliography."
- · "Nalo Hopkinson."
- "Nalo Hopkinson--UCR: Department of Creative Writing."

William Gibson

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- · "List of Works of William Gibson." Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia 16 Apr. 2015. Wikipedia.
- "William Gibson." Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia 16 Apr. 2015. Wikipedia. Web.
- "William Gibson Official Website."
- "William Gibson Summary Bibliography."

Pat Cadigan

- "Pat Cadigan Summary Bibliography."
- "Pat Cadigan." Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia 25 Feb. 2015. Wikipedia.

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Movies, TV, and games have helped define a visual aesthetic for Cyberpunk. Pinterest, Tumblr and blogging sites are used by enthusiasts to collect and share images.

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Fashion

Cyberpunk fashion is defined in the Cyberpunk Fakebook as being anti-fashion. These Pinterest boards show how cyberpunk has moved from anti-fashion to haute couture.

- Cyberpunk Fashion on Pinterest
- Cassimir, William. "Future Style / Cyberpunk on Pinterest."
- Obsedian, Blue. "Cyber Punk Fashion on Pinterest | 332 Pins."
- T, Justin. "Cyberpunk on Pinterest."
- Cook, Gavin. "Cyberpunk Style on Pinterest."

Architecture

Cyberpunk landscapes are characterized by an overbuilt urban environment.

- · cyberpunk architecture| Tumblr
- Cyberpunk Architecture on Pinterest
- Cyberpunk Noir Cityscapes on Pinterest
- Messer, David. "The Architecture of Hong Kong — Cyberpunk Tech & Culture — Medium."

Interior Design

- cyberpunk interior | Tumblr
- "Cyberpunk Furniture for the Environmentalist."

Wearable Technology

- Competia. "Wearable Technology on Pinterest."
- "Wearable Technology on Pinterest."
- Togan, Carol. "Wearable Tech on Pinterest."

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