



# DANCEHALL IN PRINT

A list of dancehall-themed **fiction and non-fiction books**, authors, and publication dates.

*Does not include "reggae"-themed books, artist-specific books, biographies, blogs, media, or academic articles.*

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TITLE	AUTHOR	YEAR
Jamaican Creole in Global Reggae and Dancehall Performances: Language Use, Perceptions, Attitudes	Anika Gerfer	2025
Born a Sufferah: Dancehall Music's Insurgent Soundscapes	Quito Swan	2025
The Art of Dancehall: Flyer and Poster Designs of Jamaican Dancehall Culture	Walshy Fire	2025
The First Ladies of Dancehall	Irie Nation	2024
Rebel Sounds: Music as Resistance	Joe Mulhall	2024
Shenseea Biography: The Rise of a Dancehall Diva	Julio R. Davis	2024
Dancehall DJs: The Best to Ever Do It	Michael Allen	2024
<b>Dancehall Rebel</b> ( <i>teen fiction</i> )	Stacey Robinson	2024
<b>Big Tune: Rise of the Dancehall Prince</b> ( <i>children's fiction</i> )	Alliah L. Agostini and Shamar Knight-Justice	2023
Dancehall Queen: Erotic Subversion/Subversión Erótica	Donna Hope	2023
Cultural Capital To Financial Capital: Reggae-Dancehall	Donovan Watkis	2022
Run The Riddim: The Untold Story of '90s Dancehall to the World	Marvin Sparks	2022
The New Dancehall Playbook: The Business Side Of Dancehall	Mr Oxygen Muziq	2022
Reading Religion and Spirituality in Jamaican Reggae Dancehall Dance: Spirit Bodies Moving	Patricia Noxolo	2022
King Yellowman: Meaningful Bodies In Jamaican Dancehall Culture	Brent Hagerman	2021
The Official Dancehall Dictionary	Chester Francis-Jackson	2021
Dancehall Explosion: Les DJ et Singjays des années 1980 en Jamaïque	Eric Doumerc	2021



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LMH Official Dictionary of Jamaican Reggae and Dancehall Stars Volume 1	K. Sean Harris and L. Mike Henry	2021
The Small Axe Guide To Dancehall - 1979-1985	Ray Hurford	2020
Dancehall: A Reader on Jamaican Music and Culture	Sonjah Stanley Niaah	2020
<b>Back to Basics: A-Z of Dancehall (<i>children's non-fiction</i>)</b>	Latoya Wakefield and Kavion Robinson	2019
Reggae Trilogy 200+ 80s & 90s Reggae & Dancehall Artist Headshots - Volume 1: Discover the Era's Unique Fashion,	M. Peggy Quattro, Scott SanGiacomo, et al.	2019
<b>King of the Dancehall: A Novel (<i>fiction</i>)</b>	Nick Cannon	2018
Dancehall Trivia Fun Time: The Ultimate Dancehall Music Trivia Book	Shaun Cain	2018
In Fine Style: the Dancehall Art of Wilfred Limonious	Christopher Bateman	2016
Serious Things a Go Happen: Three Decades of Jamaican Dancehall Signs	Maxine Walters	2016
Dancing With Dancehall: Love and Dancehall	Shanan Mullings	2015
Sounds of the Citizens: Dancehall and Community in Jamaica	Anne M. Galvin	2014
<b>Dancehall (<i>fiction</i>)</b>	Anton Marks	2014
Dance Hall Sound System: The Good, The Bad and The Ugliest	Lou Gooden	2014
Analyzing the Jamaican Creole Continuum: A Pilot Study on Dancehall Music	Anja Zeisberg	2013
Original (Jamaican) Dancehall Dictionary: Talk like a Jamaican	Joan Williams	2013
Babylon East: Performing Dancehall, Roots Reggae, and Rastafari in Japan	Marvin Sterling	2013
Rub a Dub Style: The Roots of Modern Dancehall	Beth Lesser	2012
Jamaican Dancehall: Misconceptions and Pedagogical Advantages	Owen Joseph	2012
Man Vibes: Masculinities in Jamaican Dancehall	Donna P. Hope	2010
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DanceHall: From Slave Ship to Ghetto (African and Diasporic Cultural Studies)	Sonjah Stanley Niaah	2010



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Dancehall: The Story of Jamaican Dancehall Culture	Beth Lesser	2008
Inna di Dancehall: Popular Culture and The Politics of Identity in Jamaica	Donna P. Hope	2006
Caribbean Popular Music: An Encyclopedia of Reggae, Mento, Ska, Rock Steady, and Dancehall	David V. Moskowitz	2005
Sound Clash: Jamaican Dancehall Culture at Large	Carolyn Cooper	2004
Wake the Town and Tell the People: Dancehall Culture in Jamaica	Norman C. Stolzoff	2000
Roots Rock Reggae: The Oral History of Reggae Music from Ska to Dancehall	Chuck Foste	1999
Dancehall Explosion: Reggae Music into the Next Millenium	Henrik Baek, Hans Hedegard	1999

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