On the exterior fourth-floor frieze of the Illinois State Library, Gwendolyn Brooks Building, are the names of 35 Illinois authors who were either born in Illinois or spent a significant portion of their careers in Illinois:

- Jane Adams, 1860-1935
- George Ade, 1866-1944
- Sherwood Anderson, 1876-1941
- L. Frank Baum, 1856-1919
- Black Hawk, 1767-1838
- Ray Bradbury, 1920-2012
- Gwendolyn Brooks, 1917-2000
- James T. Farrell, 1904-1979
- Theodore Dreiser, 1871-1945
- L. Frank Baum, 1856-1919
- Saul Bellow, 1915-2005
- Black Hawk, 1767-1838
- Ray Bradbury, 1920-2012
- Gwendolyn Brooks, 1917-2000
- Cyril Colfer, 1910-2002
- Theodore Dreiser, 1871-1945
- Finley Peter Dunne, 1867-1936
- Eliza Farnham, 1815-1864
- James T. Farrell, 1904-1979
- Edna Ferber, 1887-1968
- Henry Blake Fuller, 1857-1929
- Hamlin Garland, 1860-1940
- Ben Hecht, 1894-1964
- Richard Wright, 1908-1960
- Vachel Lindsay, 1879-1931
- Robert Herrick, 1868-1938
- Paul Angle, 1900-1975
- Abraham Lincoln, 1809-1865
- Edgar Lee Masters, 1869-1950
- Elia Wilkinson Peattie, 1862-1935
- Donald Culross Peattie, 1898-1964
- Eliza Farnham, 1815-1864
- James T. Farrell, 1904-1979
- Edna Ferber, 1887-1968
- Henry Blake Fuller, 1857-1929
- Hamlin Garland, 1860-1940
- Eliza Farnham, 1815-1864
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- Edna Ferber, 1887-1968
- Henry Blake Fuller, 1857-1929
- Hamlin Garland, 1860-1940
Lorraine Hansberry, 1930-1965
Ben Hecht, 1894-1964
Ernest Hemingway, 1899-1961
Robert Herrick, 1869-1918
James Jones, 1921-1977
Ring Lardner, 1885-1933
Abraham Lincoln, 1809-1865
Vachel Lindsay, 1879-1931
Edgar Lee Masters, 1869-1950
William Maxwell, 1908-2000
Frank Norris, 1870-1902
Donald Culross Peattie, 1862-1935
Eliza Farnham, 1815-1864
Ray Bradbury, 1920-2012
Jane Addams, 1860-1935
Cyrus Colter, 1910-2002
Edna Ferber, 1887-1968
Black Hawk, 1767-1838
Ben Hecht, 1894-1964
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