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Award-Winning Books About Our Presidents

Books about America's highest office have always commanded attention. That histories, biographies, and memoirs of our presidents frequently top bestseller lists is a testament to our fascination with their lives. But only the best of them make it beyond the charts and earn distinguished accolades from critics, scholars, writers, and the press. Below is a bibliography of books that have earned such distinction, winning awards from the Pulitzer Prize and the National Book Award, to the Los Angeles Times Book Prize and the New York Times Notable Book of the Year.

George Washington


John Adams


Thomas Jefferson


James Madison


John Quincy Adams


Winner of the 1965 Bancroft Prize.


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**Andrew Jackson**


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**James K. Polk**


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**Abraham Lincoln**


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**Ulysses S. Grant**


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**Grover Cleveland**


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**William McKinley**


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