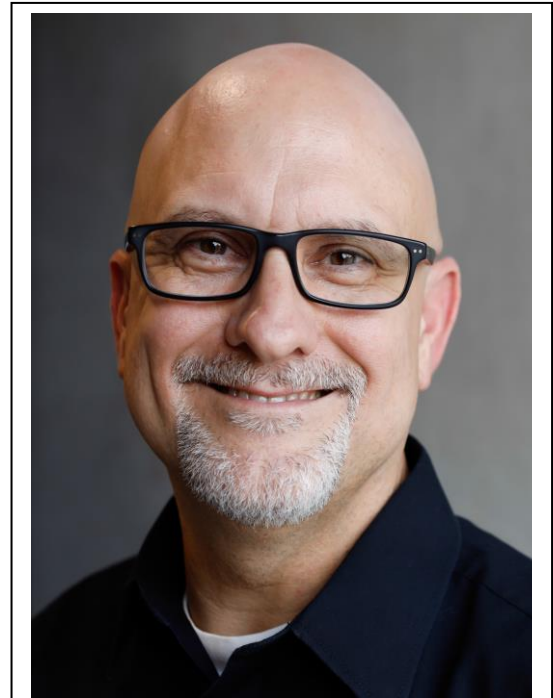

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Sidney Thompson is the bestselling author of *The Bass Reeves Trilogy* (*Follow the Angels, Follow the Doves; Hell on the Border; & The Forsaken and the Dead*), the inspiration for the Paramount+ miniseries *Lawmen: Bass Reeves*, produced by Taylor Sheridan of *Yellowstone* fame and starring David Oyelowo, Dennis Quaid, and Donald Sutherland. Thompson has received numerous honors for his historical trilogy, including the Bass Reeves Legacy Preservation Trailblazer Award in 2022 from the Bass & Belle Wild West Film Festival and the 2021 International Afro-American Historical & Genealogical Society Book Award for Historical Fiction: Event/Era. In addition, he has authored an award-winning middle-grade novel, titled *Kudzu's Enormous New Life*, which features a character inspired by the author's autistic son. Thompson holds a Ph.D. in American literature/African American narratives from the University of North Texas and an M.F.A. in creative writing from the University of Arkansas. He was born in Memphis, Tennessee, though currently lives in Fort Worth, Texas, where he teaches creative writing and African American literature at Texas Christian University.



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