- The Disinherited by Jack Conroy – 1933 chronicle of the industrial worker's life in the Depression era → disillusionment and cynicism
- William Faulkner examined southern life in A Light in August
- Disillusioned by capitalism, many writers and intellectuals became affiliated with the Communist party: Ernest Hemingway, John Dos Passos and Langston Hughes to name a few.
- American Heritage Magazine

Journalism
- The Age of Columnists – 1930s Great Depression
- Rise of 35mm photography, photojournalism and news reels
- Radio journalism became the dominant electronic medium for both news and entertainment
- Television took another decade until its potential was fully recognised

Journalists and Media Personalities
- Dorothea Lange: Documentary photographer who depicted the plight of the Dust Bowl migrants in California. She photographed the depopulated Great Plains and lives of Americans in rural Southern and Midwestern United States citizens. Her work had some of the most powerful images to emerge from the Great Depression
- Margaret Bourke-White: First woman war-photographer

Media Moments
- 1930s – FDR & Fireside chats: Roosevelt utilised the media. He would communicate with the American public with a weekly radio broadcast. They were known as “Fireside Chats” and would use radio speeches to reassure citizens of the economic climate, and the future of the country. This helped win him over the elections to be the president of the United States.