

underrated/overrated

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Peter Stephenson — 28 Apr 1999, 09:53

At least there's no danger of Wolfe being underrated on this list.

I can't agree about Asimov being overrated, though. Books like `The End of Eternity' and `The Caves of Steel' are not just full of ideas, they're also very good examples of how to write a novel. (Actually, I've been trying to classify time travel in `End of Eternity' in the way proposed by the site Mantis pointed out last week, and I've decided I can't, but that's an entirely separate matter.) As for most overrated *fantasy* writer... where do I start? (No comment on rock music.)

I've a suspicion this way of looking at things is particularly open to personal bugbears rather than deep consideration. But at least they got one thing right.

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