

## ONLINE RESOURCES

African American Odyssey  
Library of Congress  
[www.loc.gov/exhibits/african-american-odyssey/overview.html](http://www.loc.gov/exhibits/african-american-odyssey/overview.html)

Black Freedom Struggle in the United States  
Primary sources, such as articles and legal documents, organized by time period and subject. Access through BML database page.  
[blackfreedom.proquest.com](http://blackfreedom.proquest.com)

Black History Month  
[www.blackhistorymonth.gov](http://www.blackhistorymonth.gov)

Black History Playlist  
Jacob's Pillow Dance Interactive  
[danceinteractive.jacobspillow.org/playlists/black-history-month/#2](http://danceinteractive.jacobspillow.org/playlists/black-history-month/#2)

Brightness in Black (StoryCorps)  
[storycorps.org/discover/brightness-in-black](http://storycorps.org/discover/brightness-in-black)

Clarissa Uprooted: Unearthing the Stories of Our Village (Initiative, Exhibit, Documentary)  
[clarissauprooted.org](http://clarissauprooted.org)

Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture (research guides)  
New York Public Library (NYPL)  
[libguides.nypl.org/nyplschomburg](http://libguides.nypl.org/nyplschomburg)

Schomburg Center's Exhibitions and Multimedia Projects (Digital Archive of Past Exhibitions)  
[nypl.org/spotlight/schomburg/exhibitions](http://nypl.org/spotlight/schomburg/exhibitions)

Smithsonian National Museum of African American History & Culture's Searchable Museum [searchablemuseum.com](http://searchablemuseum.com)

Ten Great Talks to Celebrate Black History Month (TED Talks)  
[www.ted.com/playlists/230](http://www.ted.com/playlists/230)

Understanding Black Experiences  
Rochester Public Library  
[roccitylibrary.org/understanding-black-experiences](http://roccitylibrary.org/understanding-black-experiences)

## SELECTED RECENT ELECTRONIC BOOKS & DIGITAL AUDIOBOOKS VIA LIBBY OR HOOPLA

### Libby

*Black Joy Project* by Kleaver Cruz (A)

*Call Me Chef, Dammit* by Chef Andre Rush (E)

*In Search of Our Mother's Gardens*  
by Alice Walker (A)

*Invisible Generals* by Doug Melville (E)

*Seven Daughters of Dupree* by Nikesha Elise Williams (A)

*Somewhere Toward Freedom* by Bennett Parten (A) (E)

### Hoopla

*Belonging* by Michelle Miller (A)

*Tracing African American Family History*  
by Paul Crooks (E)

*The Love You Save* by Goldie Taylor (A) (E)

## SELECTED RECENT MUSIC ON HOOPLA

The best way to find music through Hoopla is to isolate the format (a drop down next to the search box) to music. Then, search by artist or album title or genre, or even search terms like "African American."

## SELECTED STREAMING VIDEO ON HOOPLA & KANOPYPLUS (for Brighton Residents)

There are numerous films and documentaries offered by both Hoopla and KanopyPlus. As their collections are ever changing, the easiest way to find videos is to use the search box functions of each service or to browse by collection or subject.

## DATABASES

**Academic OneFile** Find an article on almost any topic in African American history.

**Ancestry.com** This library edition contains census, marriage, birth, death records, and more. Learn about the roots of African American families, maybe even your own.

**Democrat & Chronicle Archive** Newspapers from 1871-present, with primary sources of historical events, including Frederick Douglass's funeral, William Warfield's first concerts, the 1964 Riots, and the music scene at the Pythodd Room.

**Encyclopedia Britannica Academic** Comprehensive knowledge of African Americans and their history.

**NY State Historic Newspapers**  
Includes a variety of newspapers from the Rochester Region, including the *Brighton-Pittsford Post* and papers from Geneva, Brockport, Canandaigua and Fairport, covering the period from 1806-1987.

**NoveList Plus** A great source for nonfiction and historical fiction books on the African American experience.

**Rochester History** These articles cover the history of Rochester and Western New York from 1939 to the present, including slavery in the Genesee Valley, Frederick Douglass, Henry Johnson, and the Liberian experiment.

**Rochester Images** More than 22,000 historical and contemporary images from Rochester and Monroe County, including photos of the Dorsey Home for Dependent Colored Children, Civil War Major F.S. Cunningham, and Civil War era political cartoons.

**World Book Student** Find information for elementary and middle school students on African Americans and their experiences.

# AFRICAN AMERICAN HERITAGE RESOURCES



## Books and More!

Ask a BML librarian for help locating these and other resources on African American Heritage.

### Brighton Memorial Library

2300 Elmwood Ave, Rochester, NY 14618  
585.784.5300 | [brightonlibrary.org](http://brightonlibrary.org)



## READING FOR CHILDREN

### PICTURE BOOKS

*I Am Every Good Thing* by Derrick Barnes

*Be, Black Girl, Be* by Taylor Darks

*CeeCee: Underground Railroad Cinderella* by Shana Keller

*Dear Black Child* by Rahma Rodaah

### J FICTION

*The Vanquishers (series)* by Kalynn Bayron

*Alex Wise vs. the End of the World (series)*  
by Terry J. Benton-Walker

*Nic Blake and the Remarkables (series)* by Angie Thomas

*Black Girl Power* edited by Leah Johnson

*Black Boy Joy* edited by Kwame Mbalia

### NONFICTION

*Fighting With Love: The Legacy of John Lewis*  
by Lesa Cline-Ransome jBIO LEWIS

*Call and Response: The Story of Black Lives Matter*  
by Chambers and Harlan j323.1196 CHA

*Little Leaders: Bold Women in Black History*  
by Vashti Harrison j920 HAR (also Playaway)

*Stamped (for Kids): Racism, Antiracism, and You*  
by Cherry-Paul, Reynolds, and Kendi j305.8 REY

*28 Days: Moments in Black History That Changed the World* by Charles R. Smith, Jr. j973.049

*The Fierce 44: Black Americans Who Shook Up the World* by The Staff of The Undeated j920 FIE (also Wonderbook)

*Ketanji Brown Jackson: A Justice for All*  
by Tami Charles jBIO JACKSON

## READING FOR YOUNG ADULTS

### FICTION

*The Corruption of Hollis Brown* by K. Ancrum

*I Can't Even Think Straight* by Dean Atta

*Make Me a Monster* by Kalynn Bayron

*Infinity Alchemist (series)* by Kacen Callendar

*The Weight of Blood* by Tiffany D. Jackson

*House of Marionne (series)* by J. Elle

*Somadina* by Akwaeke Emezi

*The Getaway* by Lamar Giles

*Promise Boys* by Nick Brooks

*The Forest Demands Its Due* by Kosoko Jackson

*Blood Debts (duology)* by Terry J. Benton-Walker

*Briarcliff Prep* by Brianna Peppins

*Highly Suspicious and Unfairly Cute*  
by Talia Hibbert

*Thieves' Gambit (duology)* by Kayvion Lewis

*As You Walk On By* by Julian Winters

### NONFICTION

*Can't Stop, Won't Stop: A Hip-Hop History*  
by Jeff Chang & Dave Cook

*How to Be a (Young) Antiracist*  
by Ibram X. Kendi & Nic Stone

*Revolution in Our Time: The Black Panther Party's Promise to the People* by Kekla Magoon

Some titles listed in this brochure may be available in eBook and eAudiobook formats through the Libby app or Hoopla.

KEY: LP = Large Print | BOC = Book on CD

## READING FOR ADULTS

### FICTION

*Black Buck* by Mateo Askaripour (also BOC)

*The Vanishing Half* by Brit Bennett (also LP)

*Homegoing* by Yaa Gyasi (also LP, BOC)

*Prophets* by Robert Jones, Jr. (also LP)

*Heaven & Earth Grocery Store* by James McBride (also LP, BOC)

*The American Daughters* by Maurice Carlos Ruffin

*Let Us Descend* by Jesmyn Ward (also LP, BOC)

*Underground Railroad* by Colson Whitehead (also LP, BOC)

### NONFICTION

*Black-Owned* by Char Adams 323.1196 ADA

*Frederick Douglass: Prophet of Freedom*  
by David W. Blight BIO DOUGLASS (also BOC)

*Borderland Blacks: Two Cities in the Niagara Region During the Final Decades of Slavery*  
by daan j. Broyld LH 305.8009 BRO

*African Founders: How Enslaved People Expanded American Ideals* by David Hackett Fischer 973.0496 FIS (also BOC)

*Four Hundred Souls: A Community History of African America, 1619-2019*  
by Ibram X. Kendi 973.0496 FOU

*The Black Church: This Is Our Story, This Is Our Song*  
by Henry Louis Gates, Jr. 277.3008 GAT

*American Sirens: The Incredible Story of the Black Men Who Became America's First Paramedics*  
by Kevin Hazzard 362.188 HAZ

*Strike the Hammer: The Black Freedom Struggle in Rochester, NY 1940-1970* by Laura Warren Hill LH 305.8009 BRO

## READING FOR ADULTS (CONT.)

### NONFICTION

*Black Folk: The Roots of the Black Working Class*  
by Blair L.M. Kelley 331.6396 KEL

*His Truth Is Marching On: John Lewis and the Power of Hope* by Jon Meacham BIO LEWIS (also BOC)

*Buses Are a Comin': Memoir of a Freedom Rider*  
by Person and Rooker BIO PERSON

*1619 Project: A New Origin Story*  
by Nicole Hannah-Jones 976 SIX

*The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks*  
by Rebecca Skloot 616.0277 SKL (also LP, BOC)

*Jubilee: Recipes from Two Centuries of African American Cooking* by Toni Tipton-Martin 641.5929 TIP

*The Warmth of Other Suns: The Epic Story of America's Great Migration* by Isabel Wilkerson 304.8097 WIL

### DVDS

*The Color Purple* DVD COL

*Harriet* DVD TUB

*Forgotten Hero: Walter White and the NAACP* DVD 323.092 FOR

*Frederick Douglass: No Turning Back* DVD FRE

*King in the Wilderness* DVD 323.092 KIN

*Muhammad Ali* DVD BIO ALI

*1 Angry Black Man* DVD ONE

*Tell Them We Are Rising* DVD 371.82 TEL

*Till* DVD TIL

*Voice of Freedom* DVD 782.10 VOI

*Zora Neale Hurston* DVD BIO HURSTON