



African-American History Booklist: *a selected listing of books appropriate for children and their parents, young adults and teachers by the staff of the Santa Cruz City/County Libraries.*

PICTURE BOOKS

- JEASY Ashley Bryan's ABC of African-American poetry.
- JEASY Chocolate - Kente colors.
- JEASY Chocolate - The piano man.
- JEASY Coleman - White socks only.
- JEASY Curtis - The bat boy & his violin.
- JEASY Edwards - Barefoot: escape on the underground railroad.
- JEASY Grifalconi - Tiny's hat.
- JEASY Hoffman - An angel just like me.
- JEASY Hooks - Freedom's fruit.
- JEASY Johnston - The wagon.
- JEASY Lindbergh - Nobody owns the sky: the story of "brave Bessie" Coleman.
- JEASY Raschka - Mysterious Thelonious.
- JEASY Shaik - The jazz of our street.

J FICTION

- J FICTION Chambers - Amistad rising: a story of freedom.
- J FICTION Curtis - Bud, not Buddy.
- J FICTION McKissack - A picture of Freedom: the diary of Clotee, a slave girl.

- J FICTION Miller - Richard Wright and the library card.
- J FICTION Moore - The Kwanzaa contest. (*a Beginning Chapter Book*)
- J FICTION Robinet - Washington City is burning.
- J FICTION Thomas - I have heard of a land.
- J FICTION Yarbrough - Little tree growing in the shade.

J FOLKLORE

- J 398.2 HAM Hamilton - A ring of tricksters: animal tales from America, the West Indies, and Africa.
- J 398.2 HAM Hamilton - When birds could talk & bats could sing: the adventures of Bruh Sparrow, Sis Wren, and their friends.
- J 398.2 SIE Sierra - Wiley and the Hairy Man.

J ART, MUSIC, POETRY, & CELEBRATIONS

- J 394.261 FOR Ford - K is for Kwanzaa: a Kwanzaa alphabet book.
(See also *Kwanzaa binder* for more titles.)
- J 394.269 WIN Winchester - African-American holidays.
- J 759.13 HUN Hunter - Talking with Tebé: Clementine Hunter, memory artist.
- J 759.13 LAW Duggleby – Story painter: the story of Jacob Lawrence.
- J 759.13 WOO Wood - Going back home: an artist returns to the South.
- J 760 EVA Lyons - Painting dreams: Minnie Evans, visionary artist.
- J 770.922 SUL Sullivan – Black artists in photography, 1840-1940.
- J 779.092 ROB Johnson - All around town: the photographs of Richard Samuel Roberts.
- J 780.8996 IGU Igus - I see the rhythm: a story of African American music.
- J 780.8996 MED Medearis - Music.

- J 781.65 VIG Vigna - Jazz and its history.
- J 781.6509 ARM Orgill - If I only had a horn: young Louis Armstrong.
- J 781.6509 ELL Pinkney - Duke Ellington: the piano prince and his orchestra.
- J 791.4302 JON Jones - Spike Lee and the African American filmmakers: a choice of colors.
- J 793.3197 MED Medearis - Dance.
- J 811.008 ITO I, too, sing America: three centuries of African American poetry.
- J 811.008 MAK Make a joyful sound: poems for children by African-American poets.
- J 811.008 IND In daddy's arms I am tall: African Americans celebrating fathers.
- J 811.54 JOH Johnson - The other side: Shorter poems.
- J 811 .54 PAL The palm of my heart: poetry by African American children.

J HISTORICAL NON-FICTION

- J 305.567 HAN Hansen - Breaking ground, breaking silence: the story of New York's African burial ground.
- J 305.896 KIN King - I have a dream.
- J 323.1196 DUN Dunn - The Civil Rights movement.
- J 324.6208 BAN Banfield - The Fifteenth Amendment: African-American men's right to vote.
- J 326.0973 JUR Jurmain - Freedom's sons: the true story of the Amistad mutiny.
- J 379.263 HAS Haskins - Separate, but not equal: the dream and the struggle.
- J 382.44 HAS Haskins - Bound for America: the forced migration of Africans to the New World.
- J 609.2273 AAS Aaseng - Black inventors. (See also 609.2273 AAS.)
- J 609.2396 SUL Sullivan - African American inventors.

- J 641.5929 MED Medearis - Cooking.
- J 920.0092 POT Potter - African Americans who were first: illustrated with photographs.
- J 973.0496 AFR African Americans: opposing viewpoints.
- J 973.0496 KIN King - Oh, freedom!: kids talk about the Civil Rights Movement with the people who made it happen.
- J 973.0496 MYE Myers - Amistad: a long road to freedom.
- J 973.7115 GOR Gorrell - North Star to freedom: the story of the Underground Railroad.
- J 974.71 KAT Katz - Black legacy: a history of New York's African Americans.
- J 975.0049 BIA- Bial - The strength of these arms: life in the slave quarters.
- J 975.6147 FLE Fleischner - I was born a slave: the story of Harriet Jacobs.
- J 977.0049 KAT - Katz - Black pioneers: an untold story.

J BIOGRAPHIES

- J B ANG Lisandrelli - Maya Angelou: more than a poet.
- J B BAL Tackach – James Baldwin.
- J B COL Hart - Up in the air: the story of Bessie Coleman.
- J B COU Jaffe - A voice for the people: the life and work of Harold Courlander.
- J B FAR Haskins - Louis Farrakhan and the Nation of Islam.
- J B HAN McKissack - Young, Black and determined: a biography of Lorraine Hansberry.
- J B HUR Yannuzzi - Zora Neale Hurston: Southern storyteller.
- J B JAC Gourse - Mahalia Jackson: queen of gospel song.
- J BIOGRAPHY KING Rhodes - Coretta Scott King.

- J BIOGRAPHY KING Wukovits - Martin Luther King, Jr.
(See also *Martin Luther King, Jr. binder* for titles.)
- J BIOGRAPHY MCCARTY Coleman - The riches of Oseola McCarty.
- J B MOR Kramer - Toni Morrison, Nobel Prize-winning author.
- J B PAR Parks - I am Rosa Parks.
- J B PIC Pinkney - Bill Pickett, rodeo ridin' cowboy.
- J BIOGRAPHY ROBESON Wright - Paul Robeson: actor, singer, political activist.
- J BIOGRAPHY RUSTIN Haskins - Bayard Rustin: behind the scenes of the
civil rights movement.
- J B SIM Lyons - Catching the fire: Philip Simmons, blacksmith.
- J B TIL Tillage - Leon's story. (*Leon Tillage*)
- J B WEL Medearis - Princess of the press: the story of Ida B. Wells-Barnett.

YOUNG ADULT BOOKS

YA FICTION

- YOUNG ADULT FICTION Lasky - True north: a novel of the Underground
Railroad.
- YOUNG ADULT FICTION Mowry – Ghost train.
- YOUNG ADULT FICTION A way out of no way: writing about growing up Black
in America.
- YOUNG ADULT FICTION Woodson - The house you pass on the way.

YA FOLKTALES

- YOUNG ADULT 398.2 HAM Hamilton - Her stories: African American folktales,
fairy tales and true tales.

YA ART & POETRY

- YOUNG ADULT 709.2 RIN Ringgold - We flew over the bridge: the memoirs of Faith Ringgold.
- YOUNG ADULT 759.13 FEE Feelings - The middle passage: white ships/black cargo.
- YOUNG ADULT 811 MED Medearis - Skin deep and other teenage reflections: poems.
- YOUNG ADULT 811.52 HUG Hughes - The block: poems.
- YOUNG ADULT 811.54 MYE Myers- Harlem: a poem.
- YOUNG ADULT 811.54 SHI Shimmy shimmy shimmy like my sister Kate: looking at the Harlem Renaissance through poems.
(See also J 811.508 SHI.)

YA HISTORICAL NON-FICTION

- YOUNG ADULT 305.235 SUG Sugar in the raw: voices of young Black girls in America.
- YOUNG ADULT 342.7308 FIR Fireside - Plessy v. Ferguson: separate but equal?
- YOUNG ADULT 970.004 MCK McKissack - Rebels against slavery: American slave revolts. (See also J 970.004 MCK.)
- YOUNG ADULT 973.0496 AFR The African Americans: a celebration of achievement.
- YOUNG ADULT 973.0496 FRA Frankel - Break those chains at last: African Americans, 1860-1880.
- YOUNG ADULT 973.0496 KEL Kelley - Into the fire: African Americans since 1970.

YA BIOGRAPHIES

- YOUNG ADULT 920 THO Thornton - The ditchdigger's daughters: a Black family's astonishing success story.
- YOUNG ADULT B HUG Osofsky - Free to dream: the making of a poet: Langston Hughes.

J REFERENCE

- JR 011 C The Coretta Scott King Awards book: from vision to reality.
- JR 011.62 R Rochman - Against borders: promoting books for a multicultural world.
- JR 028.5 NEW The New Press guide to multicultural resources for young readers.
- JR 323.1 W Wexler - The Civil Rights movement: an eyewitness history.
- JR 398.2 T Talk that talk: an anthology of African-American storytelling.
- JR 815.008 AFR African American voices.
- JR 917.304 C Cantor - Historic landmarks of Black America.
- JR 920 N Notable Black American women.
- JR 973.04 Af The African American encyclopedia.
- JR 973.0496 AFR African American breakthroughs: 500 years of Black firsts.
- JR 973.0496 B56 Black History Month resource book.
- JR 973.0496 CUM Cumulative index to African American reference library.
- JR 973.0496 HOR Hornsby - African American chronology.