BLACK HISTORY MONTH 2021

Preregister for these virtual events at www.pbclibrary.org/black-history-month.

We will be offering events that honor the heritage, contributions and achievements of the African American community. This national celebration initiated by Dr. Carter G. Woodson, also known as the father of Black History, has its roots in a weeklong observation in 1926. This year although we are not able to offer the events in person, we invite you to participate in a wide variety of events accessible through the Zoom portal. Register and join us for the live events, or enjoy the recordings on our digital events page. http://events.pbclibrary.org/events/digital-activities

To learn more about Dr. Carter G. Woodson and the Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH), visit https://asalh.org/about-us/our-history/.

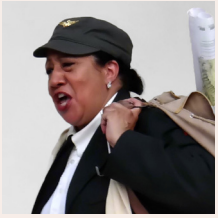
Tue, Feb 02, 3:00 pm
Black History Month: Let's Do the Harlem Shake!
Explore the cultural movement of the Harlem Renaissance through art, music, and poetry. Create your own inspired art! PDF available with suggested materials. Ages 6 & up.

Tue, Feb 02, 6:00 pm
Writers LIVE! Presents: Dr. Aisha Johnson (F)
Distinguished professor and researcher Dr. Aisha Johnson discusses, "The African American Struggle for Library Equality: The Untold Story of the Julius Rosenwald Fund Library Program."



Fri, Feb 05, 4:00 pm
Black Excellence in Cooking
Make no-bake snowballs, a sweet treat, using a few ingredients with a recipe from African American cookbook author Patty Pinner, and learn about Florida-born Edouardo Jordan, the first Black chef to win a James Beard Award in 2018 for Best New Restaurant. Ages 8-12.

Sat, Feb 06, 2:30 pm
Celebrate Black History Month: Bessie Coleman - The Bronze Aviatrix (F)
Storyteller and Chautauqua scholar, Ilene Evans offers a historical depiction of Bessie Coleman, a pioneer of aviation.



Mon, Feb 08, 1:00 pm
Homeschool Meetup: Black History Month
To celebrate this month we will read "Two Friends," by Dean Robbins. Two friends, Susan B. Anthony and Frederick Douglass, get together for tea and conversation. They recount their similar stories fighting to win rights for women and African Americans. We'll also learn more about the Library of Congress collection in his name. Grades K-6.

Tue, Feb 09, 6:30 pm
Trivia: Black History Month
Think you know everything about...Black History Month? Join us and test your knowledge in a few rounds of trivia fun, virtually! Participants will be sent a link and instructions before the game. Winner gets library swag!

Wed, Feb 10, 2:00 pm
Celebrate Black History Month: "The 1619 Project" by The New York Times Magazine
Ronald Glass will lead a discussion of the articles, The Wealth Gap by Trymaine Lee, Traffic by Kevin M. Kruse, The Barbaric History of Sugar in America by Khalil Gibran Muhammad, and how information in these articles have impacted Palm Beach County. Articles can be accessed at http://pulitzercenter.org/1619.

Fri, Feb 12, 4:00 pm
Black Excellence in Books
See how easy it is to make a book or zine to tell your story or a story with a hero you can look up to, as we chat about Jerry Craft, author of "New Kid," a Sunshine State Young Readers Award-winning comic, and Marley Dias, who started her super successful 1000 Black Girl Books Initiative for more diverse stories when she was in elementary school. Ages 8-12.

Sat, Feb 13, 2:00 pm
Celebrate Black History Month: Spiritual Songs, the Musical Legacy of the Negro Spiritual (F)
Using the art of storytelling and music, this program covers the development of the Negro Spiritual and its impact on all musical genres. Dr. Naima Johnston-Bush will perform and discuss the song's significance as a historical American art.



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Tue, Feb 16, 6:00 pm
POV Film Screening: "Whose Streets?"
©PBS. (90 min.) Damon Davis and Sabaah Folayan's acclaimed documentary is an unflinching look at how the killing of 18-year-old Michael Brown inspired a community to fight back and sparked a global movement. Return for a discussion of the film on Sat, Feb 27, 2:30 pm. This event is a collaboration with POV, the award-winning independent nonfiction film series on PBS. www.pbs.org/pov.

Tue, Feb 16, 6:30 pm
Teen Trivia: Blackout
Compete for prizes with your knowledge of Wakanda, Birmingham, and beyond. Fun trivia about Black history, pop stars, places and icons: from athletes and actors, to superheroes and scientists. Ages 12 & up.

Wed, Feb 17, 10:00 am
Living in Color
Celebrating Black stories and the authors that bring them to life. Ages 4 & up.

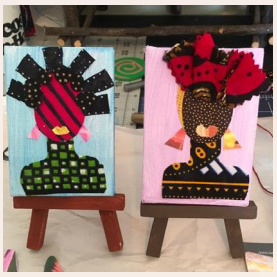
Wed, Feb 17, 2:00 pm
Book Discussion: "Passing," by Nella Larsen
A book described as "a powerful, thrilling, and tragic tale about the fluidity of racial identity that continues to resonate today."

Wed, Feb 17, 3:30 pm
Strolling Back in Time
We'll take a look at some pictures and facts about famous African Americans, while listening to some classic Motown music. Print the attachment for some fun activity sheets to color. Ages 6 & up.

Thu, Feb 18, 1:30 pm
Book Discussion: "A Kind of Freedom," by Margaret Wilkerson Sexton
Debut novelist Sexton delivers a multigenerational story based in New Orleans. Join in a lively discussion of this 2017 National Book Award contender. Print, e-book and audio copies available through the library.

Fri, Feb 19, 2:00 pm
Book Discussion: "The Known World," by Edward P. Jones
Pick up a copy of the book at the West Boca Branch or your local library. Also, e-books and e-audiobooks are available on cloudLibrary.

Fri, Feb 19, 4:00 pm
Black Excellence in Art
Get your paints ready to make a colorful masterpiece while we chat about artist Alma Thomas, known for her bright joyful art, and discover the bright geometric patterns of Faith Ringgold, artist and picture book author and illustrator. Ages 8-12.

Sat, Feb 20, 2:30 pm
Celebrate Black History Month: Meet Artist Kianga Jinaki & Create an African Textile Portrait

Kianga Jinaki will share her experience as an artist and demonstrates how to create a beautiful African textile portrait. Pick up materials (available Mon, Feb 01 through Fri, Feb 19) at the Main Library's information desk while supplies last. No sewing required.

Tue, Feb 23, 2:00 pm
Celebrate Black History Month:
Poetry Reading of Well-Known African American Poets
Celebrate the poems of Langston Hughes, Alice Walker, Maya Angelou and Nikki Giovanni in different languages accompanied with background music.

Wed, Feb 24, 6:30 pm
Informed & Engaged Discussion:
"Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents,"
by Isabel Wilkerson
This Pulitzer Prize-winning author's latest book examines the unspoken caste system that has shaped America and shows how our lives today are still defined by a hierarchy of human divisions. Hosted in partnership with the PBC Criminal Justice Commission and Converge & Associates Consulting, Inc. Copies of the book available in the library catalog.

Thu, Feb 25, 4:00 pm
African American Genealogy: Leaving No Stone Unturned

Dr. Deborah Abbot will teach basic genealogy tools needed to successfully begin to trace family histories. The importance of completing genealogy forms, i.e. pedigree charts, gathering home sources, recording oral histories, researching census records, vital records and staying organized will be emphasized. Using libraries and archives along with internet databases will be explored. Attendees will learn tips and strategies on how to move their family research from the present back to slavery, as well as how to find the records that will make this process successful.

Black Excellence in Science
Fri, Feb 26, 4:00 pm
Make models of DNA and RNA with candy and learn about science as we chat about Dr. Kizzmekia Corbett, immunologist and lead researcher who made the COVID-19 vaccine possible, and learn about an earlier African American pioneer, Dr. Mae Jemison, an engineer and medical doctor who became the first Black woman to travel into space! Ages 8-12.

Sat, Feb 27, 2:30 pm
POV Film Discussion: "Whose Streets?"
Dr. Tameka Hobbs, Associate Provost and Associate Professor of History for Florida Memorial University, leads a discussion on Damon Davis and Sabaah Folayan's acclaimed documentary which examines the uprising in Ferguson, Missouri following the killing of 18-year-old Michael Brown. This event is a collaboration with POV, the award-winning independent non-fiction film series on PBS. www.pbs.org/pov.

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