

AFRICAN AMERICAN 975 LITWACK

Trouble in Mind: Black Southerners in the Age of Jim Crow

Litwack, Leon F.

Recounts the bloodiest and most repressive period in the history of race relations in the United States, which still haunts us to this day.

AFRICAN AMERICAN 305.8 ANDERSON

White Rage: The Unspoken Truth of our Racial Divide

Anderson, Carol

An account of the oppositional forces facing African American growth and influence in the United States.

This brochure is one in a series of pamphlets that collectively list and briefly describe more than 140 items in this evolving collection.



Donations from Robert C. Hayden inspired the collation of books celebrating African American arts, political activities, historical movements, and significant figures. Hayden was a senior Lecturer at U MASS Boston, Northeastern University, Boston College, and Lesley University, spanning from 1978 to 2006 and is President Emeritus of the local branch of the Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH), established in 2002.



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Special Collection Guide: *African American Non-Fiction*



Sankofa bird
A symbol used by the Akan peoples of Ghana
Looking back, know your history.

The town of Oak Bluffs has a rich history as a time-honored black summer community, supporting African American arts & culture. Continuing to pique the interest of both historians and members of the general public, some materials within this collection describe local historic sites and tours, which juxtapose the contributions of and the injustices suffered by African Americans on the island dating back to the 1700s. The bulk of the collection allows for cultural connections between the island and Black America.

Race Relations

AFRICAN AMERICAN 305.8 GRO

What Blood Won't Tell: A History of Race on Trial in America

Gross, Ariela Julie

Investigates how American legal practices regulated historical racial categorization and segregation in local, state, and federal judicial systems.

AFRICAN AMERICAN 305.8 JONES

A Dreadful Deceit: The Myth of Race from the Colonial Era to Obama's America

Jones, Jacqueline

Chronicles six African Americans spanning from the Colonial era to the 20th century, illuminating the way in which racial ideologies have evolved.

AFRICAN AMERICAN 305.8 PHILLIPS

Blood At The Root: A Racial Cleansing in America

Phillips, Patrick

Recounts the burning, looting and lynching, which led to the eradication of a thriving black community and its citizens. The violence resulted from the aftermath of allegations against three black residents for the murder and sexual assault of a white woman in 1912 Georgia.

AFRICAN AMERICAN 305.8 WATKINS

The Beast Side: Living and Dying While Black in America

Watkins, D.

Gives the account of a Baltimore native's urban upbringing and the rough neighborhoods in which he was raised.

AFRICAN AMERICAN 305.8 WEST

Race Matters

West, Cornel

Provides commentary from a professor at Princeton University on the pressing racial issues and problems that the United States contends with on a national level.

AFRICAN AMERICAN 305.8 WICKER

Tragic Failure: Racial Integration in America

Wicker, Tom

Explores the state of race relations in 20th century America, including the political and social fallout engendered from the nations' imbalance of rights.

AFRICAN AMERICAN 305.89 GATES

The Future Of The Race

Gates Jr, Henry Louis & West, Cornel

Evaluates the complex and multifaceted tension between the major racial groups that comprise American society, while breaking down their respective visions for the future.

AFRICAN AMERICAN 305.89 GLAUDE

Democracy In Black: How Race Still Enslaves the American Soul

Glaude Jr., Eddie S.

Discusses the modern struggles of African Americans and the illusion of harmony that followed the election of the nation's first black President.

AFRICAN AMERICAN 305.89 LOWERY

They Can't Kill Us All: Ferguson, Baltimore, and a New Era in America's Racial Justice Movement

Lowery, Wesley

Looks at the violence that has erupted between the police force and the African American community as a result of police brutality and discriminatory policies.

