



The National African-American Read-In

During the month of February, schools, churches, libraries, bookstores, community and professional organizations, and interested citizens are urged to make literacy a significant part of Black History Month by hosting an African American Read-In.

Hosting an event can be as simple as bringing together friends to share a book, or as elaborate as arranging public readings and media presentations that feature professional African American writers.

The Read-In is a way to highlight the diversity of African-American writers through public readings of their work. 2015 marks the 26th year for this national event. Several selections will be read which highlight this theme. Participants can sign-up to read or just come and listen. There will be brochures and other handouts for all ages celebrating literacy and the contributions of African-American writers. For more information, go to www.ncte.org/aari.

Carver Library African-American Read-In Book List

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We have an African American Read-In, which is a program to promote literacy. Here are some titles that I thought were pretty interesting, since being here at Carver Library:

- "Empire State of Mind," Biography on Jay-Z by Zack O' Malley Greenburg
- "You Can Get There >From Here," autobiography by Bob Knowling
- "The Black Experience," by Bob Rees and Marika Sherwood
- "A Kid's Guide to African American History/More Than an Activities Book," by Nancy Sanders
- "African Americans in Winston Salem/Forsyth County a Pictorial History," by Lenwood Davis
- "YA book Yo' Little Brother," by Anthony Davis and Jeffrey Johnson
- "Black Count," biography about Alex Dumas by Tom Reiss
- "Wrapped In Rainbows The Life of Zora Neale Hurston," by Valerie Boyd
- "Representing Black Music Culture/Then, Now, And When Again?" by William C. Banfield
- "The Man From Essence/Creating A Magazine For Black Women, by Edward Lewis
- "Princess Noire The Tumultuous Reign of Nina Simone," by Nadine Cohodas



THE CIVIL RIGHTS & BLACK POWER MOVEMENTS:

THE HALF CENTURY MARK

A course by Anthony Parent, PhD

Mondays 12:30 pm - 2:30 pm

(bring a bag lunch if you like)

March 16, 23, 30, April 13, 20, 27*

*(No class on Monday, April 6)

Price for the course is \$125, plus annual membership is \$70.

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Piedmont Arts to hold Read-in

Piedmont Arts will celebrate African-American authors as the museum participates in the 26th National African American Read-In, sponsored by the Black Caucus of National Council of Teachers of English and the National Council of Teachers of English on Saturday, Feb. 28, 2 - 4 p.m. at 215 Starling Ave., Martinsville, VA.

Community members are invited to read excerpts from books, stories and poems by their favorite African American authors. Everyone is invited to participate. Just bring a book. Admission is free.

All children will receive a free book to take home, while supplies last. Complimentary refreshments available. For more information, go to www.PiedmontArts.org.

