

MOMENTS IN HISTORY



County, [Mich.]

AND CERTIFICATE
OF MARRIAGE.



A LONG TIME AGO



Ancient and Medieval History through the French Revolution

Bruzas, Alena

To the Bone

Ellis, an indentured servant, leaves England for America full of hope. Soon after, she begins to notice cracks in her new life leaving her to wonder if she made the right decision. When winter arrives gripping the Fort in hunger, Ellis is about to learn that people will do whatever it takes to survive.



Dickens, Charles

A Tale of Two Cities

Tells the classic story of a young Englishman who gives his life during the French Revolution to save the husband of the woman he loves.



Dickerson, Melanie

Lady of Disguise

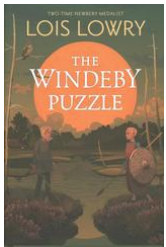
A young maiden undergoes a journey to save her sister and herself. Will the chivalrous knight, Sir Charles, help her find the treasure she seeks high up on a mountain before her uncle can marry her off?



Lowry, Lois

The Windeby Puzzle: history and story

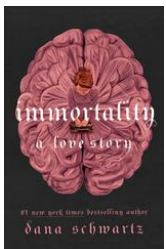
Told in two voices, two outcasts in an Iron Age village befriend each other, as disabled, orphaned Varick helps Estrild achieve her dream of becoming the first female warrior.



Schwartz, Dana

Immortality: a love story

Released from prison to become the personal physician of Princess Charlotte, the sickly daughter of King George IV, Hazel Sinnett is drawn into a world of courtly intrigue and romance where everyone has something to hide.



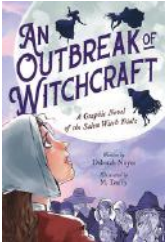


Zahler, Diane

Wild Bird

Get lost in a sweeping adventure following Rype, an abandoned girl in 14th-century Europe, as she walks from Norway to England looking for safety from the plague.

GRAPHIC NOVELS

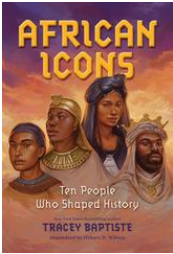


Noyes, Deborah

An Outbreak of Witchcraft

This graphic-novel telling of the Salem Witch Trials in 1692, creates a narrative out of the historical context and what we can imagine of those accused.

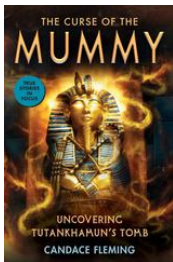
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Baptiste, Tracey

African Icons

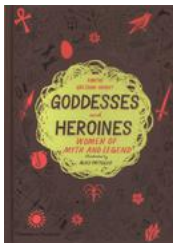
Full-color portraits illustrate the stories of ten people—rulers, educators, inventors, scholars, and explorers—who helped shape the African continent and the world from ancient times through the tumultuous sixteenth century.



Fleming, Candace

The Curse of the Mummy: Uncovering Tutankhamun's Tomb

This thrilling true story follows two Brits who were plagued by mysterious illnesses, accidents, and death after uncovering Tutankhamun's tomb, which is said to be cursed, while battling for ownership of the treasures within.



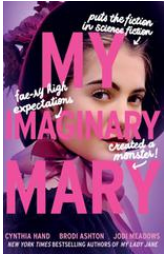
Gresham-Knight, Xanthe

Goddesses and Heroines: Women of Myth and Legend

Illustrated myths and legends from an assortment of cultures celebrate female power, in a treasury based on original texts that includes the stories of imaginative world creator Aphrodite, math genius Hecate, barrier-breaking Mulan, cultural unifier Osun and the not-so-fairy godmother Baba Yaga.



SLAVERY, THE CIVIL WAR, RECONSTRUCTION, EXPANSION, AND INDUSTRIALIZATION



Hand, Cynthia

My Imaginary Mary

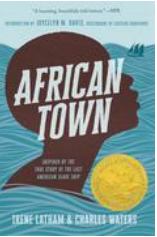
When two masterminds—Mary, the daughter of Mary Wollstonecraft, and Ada, the daughter of Lord Byron—are brought together by fate, they make a shocking discovery that draws the attention of a mad scientist.



Howard, Amalie

Queen Bee

Disguising herself as a mysterious heiress to infiltrate London's elite, Lady Ela Dalvi questions whether vengeance is still her greatest desire when she reunites with the only boy she's ever loved while seeking revenge against the friend who betrayed her.



Latham, Irene and Charles Waters

African Town

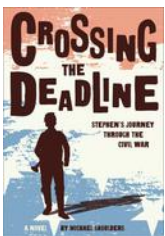
Chronicles the story of the last Africans brought illegally to the United States in 1860 including the savage Middle Passage, being hidden in the swamplands, and being secretly parceled out to various plantations, where they made desperate attempts to maintain their culture and also fit into the place of captivity.



McWilliams, Kelly

Mirror Girls

Biracial twin sisters, who look very different, are determined to uncover the truth behind their parents' lynching in the Jim Crow South and finally put the past to rest.



Shoulders, Michael

Crossing the Deadline: Stephen's Journey Through the Civil War

Left at the mercy of a cruel uncle after his father passes away in 1861, Stephen, an accomplished musician, witnesses the sad consequences of slavery and decides to enlist as Colonel Eli Lilly's personal bugler before enduring a long internment in a Confederate prison before being sent home.

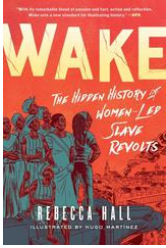


Walter, Jon

My Name is Not Friday

Samuel and his brother, Joshua, are free black boys living in an orphanage during the Civil War, but when Samuel takes the blame for his brother's prank, he is sent South, given a new name, and sold into slavery.

GRAPHIC NOVEL

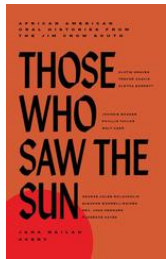


Hall, Rebecca

Wake: the hidden history of women-led slave revolts

Dr. Rebecca Hall, a historian, granddaughter of slaves, and a woman haunted by the legacy of slavery takes a deep dive into the history of slavery, and through her journey she finds women warriors everywhere.

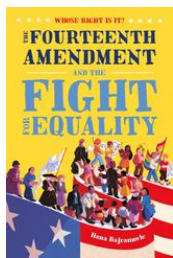
NONFICTION



Avery, Jaha Nailah

Those Who Saw the Sun: African Oral Histories from the Jim Crow South

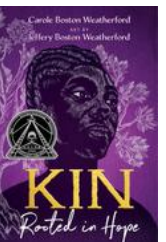
A collection of oral histories told by Black people who grew up in the South during the time of Jim Crow. Hear this history as it was experienced by those who were really there.



Bajramovic, Hana

The Fourteenth Amendment and the Fight for Equality

This investigation looks at three famous court cases that took place decades apart examining the impact that the fourteenth amendment has and continues to have on our rights as citizens.



Boston Weatherford, Carole

Kin: Rooted in Hope

A multi-generational family history told in the voices of the author's ancestors, spanning enslavement alongside Frederick Douglass at Maryland's Wye House plantation, service in the U.S. Colored Troops, and the founding of all-Black Reconstruction-era communities.



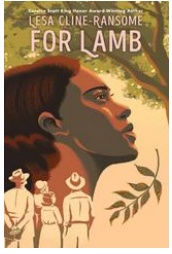
TURN OF THE CENTURY, THE ROARING 20S AND THE GREAT DEPRESSION



Cline-Ransome, Lesa

For Lamb

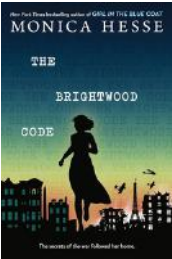
In 1930s Jackson, Mississippi, a quiet, studious and naive girl named Lamb tentatively accepts the friendly overtures of a white girl, which sets in motion a series of events that end in tragedy.



Hesse, Monica

The Brightwood Code

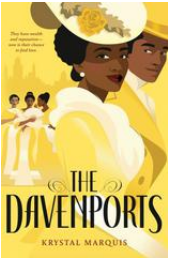
This thriller is about the Hello Girls, females employed by the U.S. Army to operate phone lines in France. In 1918, 18-year-old Edda returns to the U. S. haunted by a mistake that cost her job and possibly others' lives. Now, she lives in Washington, D.C., and works as an American Bell Telephone operator. One night, a call forces her to confront her past.



Marquis, Krystal

The Davenport

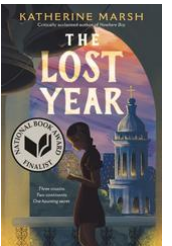
The Davenports are one of the few Black families of immense wealth and status in 1910 Chicago, and the two daughters, Olivia and Helen, are finding their way and, finding love, even where they're not supposed to.



Marsh, Katherine

The Lost Year

When Matthew finds a tattered photo in his great-grandmother's belongings, he discovers a clue to a hidden chapter of her past. Set in alternating timelines that connects us to the 1930s and the US to the USSR, this novel sheds fresh light on the horrific famine that killed millions of Ukrainians.

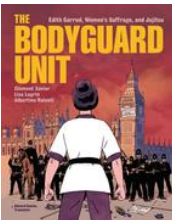


GRAPHIC NOVELS

Clement, Xavier

The Bodyguard Unit: Edith Garrud, Women's Suffrage, and Jujitsu

In the early twentieth century women in England who demanded the right to vote faced violent retaliation. The suffragist group Women's Social and Political Union formed its own security unit and learned how to fight back!



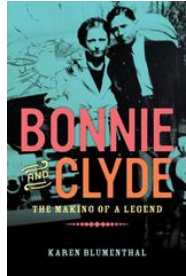


Woodman-Maynard, K.

The Great Gatsby: A Graphic Novel Adaptation

From the green light across the bay to the billboard with spectacled eyes, F. Scott Fitzgerald's 1925 American masterpiece roars to life in this exquisite graphic novel. Painted in lush watercolor this interpretation emphasizes both the extravagance and mystery of the characters, as well as the fluidity of Nick Carraway's unreliable narration.

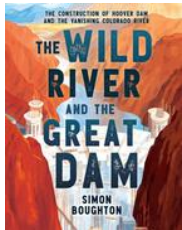
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Blumenthal, Karen

Bonnie and Clyde: the Making of a Legend

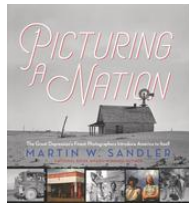
Bonnie and Clyde have been immortalized in movies, songs, and pop culture references. They are remembered mostly for their storied romance and tragic deaths. But what was life really like for Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker in the early 1930s? How did two dirt-poor teens from west Texas morph from vicious outlaws to legendary couple? And why?



Boughton, Simon

The Wild River and the Great Dam: the Construction of the Hoover Dam and the Vanishing Colorado River

Combining elements of engineering, geography, and history, and drawing from unpublished oral histories, this book follows the construction and impact of the Hoover Dam and its lasting environmental effects on the Colorado River and the American West.



Sandler, Martin W.

Picturing a Nation: the Great Depression's Finest Photographers Introduce a Nation to Itself

In 1935, ten photographers went on the road trip of a lifetime logging images that revealed the daily lives of sharecroppers, Dust Bowl farmers, migrant workers, and families scraping by in cities. They used their cameras as weapons against poverty and racism.

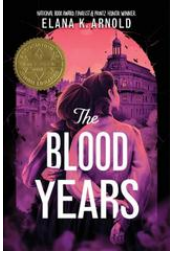


Winthrop, Elizabeth

Counting on Grace

Twelve-year-old Grace does her best working at the mill to bring in more money for her family, and when Grace writes a letter to the Child Labor Board describing the conditions, things change when a reporter shows up to get the story.

WORLD WAR II, THE HOLOCAUST AND JAPANESE INTERNMENT



Arnold, Elana K.
The Blood Years

Based on the author's grandmother's true experiences during the Holocaust in Romania, this harrowing story follows Rieke Teitler as she must decide whether holding on to her life might mean letting go of everything that has ever mattered to her.



Cameron, Sharon
Artifice

Isa de Smit grew up in her parents' art gallery in Amsterdam, but in the middle of the war she survives by selling fake paintings to the Nazis while trying to help her friend, Truus, smuggle Jewish babies to safety--but in 1943 it is hard to know who to trust.



Gordon, Cambria
Trajectory

As the United States enters World War II, seventeen-year-old Eleanor wants to do something to help her Jewish relatives in Poland, so she puts her brilliant math skills to work for the US army to fine-tune a top-secret weapon that will help defeat the enemy.



Gratz, Alan
Heroes

During WWII, Frank and Stanley are aboard the battleship the USS Utah with their fathers who are Navy pilots. When the ship is attacked by the Japanese, Frank and Stanley find their friendship in jeopardy because Stanley, who's mother is a Japanese American, is seen as the "enemy".



McCrina, Amanda
The Silent Unseen

In July 1944, as the Red Army drives the Nazis out of Poland, sixteen-year-old Maria Kamińska must work with a captured Ukrainian nationalist to find her brother, who is a special operations agent and leader of a Polish Resistance squad, when he disappears while on a mission.

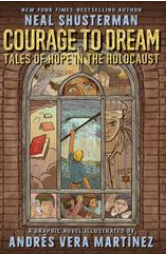


Taylor, Jordyn

The Paper Girl of Paris

Inheriting a Parisian apartment that was abandoned after World War II, Alice teams up with a student to uncover the story of a long-lost great aunt who hid her work with the Resistance behind the persona of a socialite Nazi collaborator

Graphic Novels



Shusterman, Neal

Courage to Dream: Tales of Hope in the Holocaust

This gripping, multifaceted tapestry is woven from Jewish folklore and cultural history. Five interlocking narratives explore one common story - the tradition of resistance and uplift.

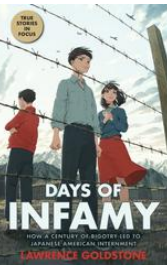
Nonfiction



Fleming, Candace

The Enigma Girls: How Ten Teenagers Broke Ciphers, Kept Secrets, and Helped Win World War II

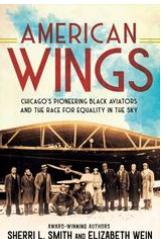
During WWII, Bletchley Park, operating under the code name Station X, was run by teenaged girls who helped turn the tide of the war for the Allies with their hard work, their determination and, most importantly, their ability to keep a secret.



Goldstone, Lawrence

Days of Infamy: How a Century of Bigotry Led to Japanese American Internment

This book examines the history of racism against Japanese Americans, exploring the territory of citizenship and touching on fears of non-white immigration to the US -- with hauntingly contemporary echoes.



Smith, Sherri L. and Elizabeth Wein

American Wings: Chicago's Pioneering Black Aviators and the Race for Equality in the Sky

Following a group of determined Black Americans who created a flying club as the U.S. hurtled toward WWII, this inspiring true story recounts how these pioneering Black men and woman battled powerful odds for an equal share of the sky.



COLD WAR, CIVIL RIGHTS AND WORLD HISTORY THROUGH THE VIETNAM WAR

Allen, Autumn

All You Have to Do

Set in two time periods, two Black students confront systemic racism and challenge societal expectations at their prestigious schools, as Kevin navigates the aftermath of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s assassination in 1965 and Gibron challenges his school's "see no color" hypocrisy in 1995.



Bottner, Barbara

I Am Here Now

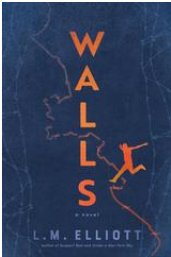
A coming-of-age novel in free verse, set in the 1960s, follows fourteen-year-old Maisie and her longtime friend Richie as they start high school. Each one struggles to navigate the challenges of an abusive parent and a tumultuous home.



Elliott, L. M.

Walls: A Novel

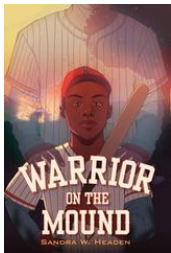
In the year leading up to the rising of the Berlin Wall, two cousins are living on opposite sides of the conflict. Drew and Matthias, argue over the space race, politics, and civil rights, but bond over music. As the political conflict around them grows dire, Drew and Matthias are tested in ways that will change their lives forever.



Headen, Sandra W.

Warrior on the Mound

In 1939 North Carolina, an all-Black baseball team "trespasses" on the whites-only baseball field, and the resulting racial outrage can only be resolved on the mound.

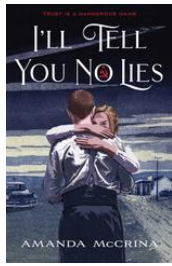


Johnson, Kim

The Color of a Lie

In 1955, when his family, who passes for white, moves to an idyllic all-white suburban town, Calvin, who secretly makes friends across town, finds himself caught between two worlds when he discovers dark secrets about the white town and its inhabitants, which places his family in danger.





McCrina, Amanda
I'll Tell You No Lies

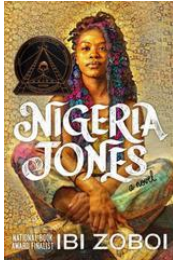
In 1955 New York, 18-year-old Shelby, the daughter of an Air Force intelligence officer, finds herself entangled with an escaped Soviet pilot and becomes an increasingly willing accessory as she learns his secrets, but must first learn to separate fact from fiction.



Miller-Lachmann, Lyn

Torch

When 17-year-old Pavol fatally sets himself on fire in Prague in 1969 to protest the Soviet invasion of Czechoslovakia, his three best friends must figure out how to survive an oppressive regime without him.

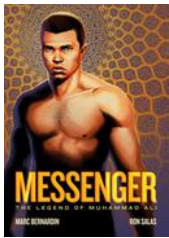


Zoboi, Ibi

Nigeria Jones

When her mother disappears, Nigeria Jones, the daughter of the leader of a Black liberation group, searches for her, uncovering a shocking truth which leads her to question everything she thought she knew about her life and her family.

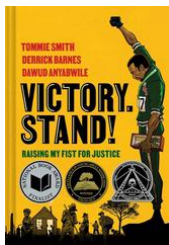
Graphic Novels



Bernardin, Marc

Messenger: The Legend of Muhammad Ali

Muhammad Ali demanded to be looked at, to be seen, and this epic captures his meteoric rise from Cassius Clay to Olympian and heavyweight champion of the world with stunning illustrations befitting his storied legacy.



Smith, Tommie, Derrick Barnes, and Dawud Anyabwile
Victory Stand!: Raising My Fist for Justice

During the medal ceremony at the Mexico City Olympics, gold medalist, Tommie Smith and bronze medalist, John Carlos stood on the podium and raised their fists to protest racial injustice inflicted upon African Americans. Both men were forced to leave the Olympics and endure long lasting consequences.

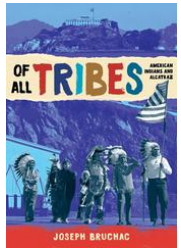
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Balis, Andrea and Elizabeth Levy

Witch Hunt : The Cold War, Joe McCarthy, and the Red Scare

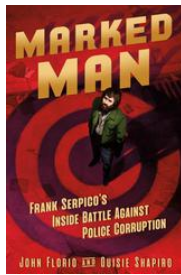
At the cusp of the Cold War, Americans were so afraid of communists living among them that they began to hunt them like witches. As Senator Joe McCarthy targeted “communists”, U. S. citizens were so terrified of being accused that they turned on each other.



Bruchac, Joseph

Of All Tribes: American Indians and Alcatraz

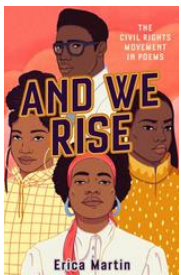
Recounts the stirring history of the 1969 Occupation of Alcatraz by Native Americans seeking to reclaim the land, garnering international focus on Native American rights while inspiring a whole new generation of Native activists and igniting the modern American Indian Movement.



Florio, John and Ouisie Shapiro

Marked Man: Frank Serpico's Inside Battle Against Police Corruption

For more than a century, the New York Police Department had been plagued by corruption, with cops openly taking bribes. Not Serpico. He refused to take dirty money and fought to shed light on the dark underbelly of the NYPD making him the target of every crooked cop on the force.



Martin, Erica

And We Rise: the Civil Rights Movement in Poems

In stunning verse and vivid use of white space, Erica Martin's debut poetry collection examines the Civil Rights Movement—from the well-documented events beginning with the "Separate but Equal" ruling to lesser-known figures and moments that were just as crucial to the Movement.



Nnachi, Ngeri

Freedom Summer 1964: Turning Point for Voting Rights

This important book brings to life the Freedom Summer in 1964 Mississippi, a movement to register Black voters, introducing the people, events, and results of the movement and showing why voting rights remain an important issue today.

Modern History

Bledsoe, Lucy Jane

No Stopping Us Now

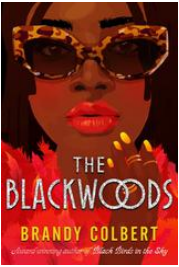
When Louisa asks her principal to start a girls team, she becomes the target of male coaches at her school. She is lied to by the school board, and dismissed as “out of line” as she fights for a fair chance to be an athlete. This is a story about finding one’s own voice through the joys of sports, love, and the power of sisterhood.



Colbert, Brandy

The Blackwoods

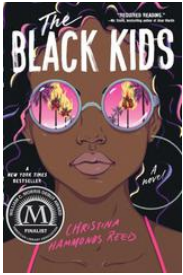
Told from multiple points of view, Ardith and Hollis Blackwood's lives are upended when their great-grandmother, legendary actress Blossom Blackwood, passes away, and family secrets emerge.



Hammonds Reed, Christina

The Black Kids

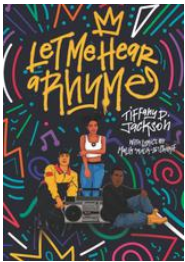
With the Rodney King riots closing in on high school senior Ashley and her family, the privileged bubble she has enjoyed, protecting her from the difficult realities most black people face, begins to crumble.



Jackson, Tiffany D.

Let Me Hear a Rhyme

After their friend Steph is murdered, Quadir, Jarrell, and Steph's sister Jasmine promote his music under a new rap name, the Architect, but when his demo catches a music label rep's attention, the trio must prove his talent from beyond the grave.



Konigsberg, Bill

Destination Unknown

In 1987 NYC, when Micah and C.J. start dating after meeting at a club, their relationship is tested, strained, pushed and pulled as their lives become more and more entangled in the AIDS epidemic laying waste to their community.





Khubiar, S.

Just a Hat

In 1979 Texas, 13-year-old Joseph Nissan struggles to trust others and stay true to himself when the Iran hostage crisis, two neighborhood bullies and the local reverend's beautiful daughter put him in danger, until he discovers he's not alone.



Lai, Thanhha

Butterfly Yellow

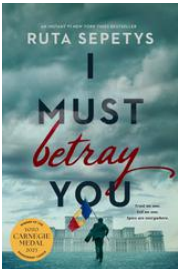
In the final days of the Vietnam War, Háæang takes her little brother, Linh, to the airport, determined to get him to safety in America. When he is ripped from her arms, Háæang is left behind in war-torn Vietnam. Six years later, as a refugee in Texas, Háæang is reunited with Linh, she realizes he doesn't remember her, their family, or their past.



Mills, Wendy

All We Have Left

In interweaving stories of sixteen-year-olds, modern-day Jesse tries to cope with the ramifications of her brother's death on 9/11, while in 2001, Alia, a Muslim, gets trapped in one of the Twin Towers and meets a boy who changes everything for her as flames rage around them.

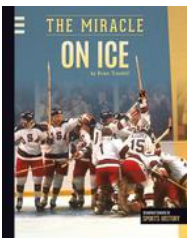


Sepetys, Ruta

I Must Betray You

In a country governed by isolation, fear, and a tyrannical dictator, seventeen-year-old Cristian Florescu is blackmailed by the secret police to become an informer. Cristian decides to use his position to try to outwit his handler, undermine the regime, give voice to fellow Romanians, and expose to the world what is happening in his country.

Nonfiction



Trusdell, Brian

The Miracle On Ice

No team was more intimidating than the Soviet Union national team at the 1980 Winter Olympics. And no team was less likely to beat them than the oddball collection of college and amateur players that made up the U. S. national team. What the world witnessed on the ice that day was nothing short of a miracle.