

# The Jubilee Reader

Recent books by African American authors and writers from the African diaspora, along with works on related topics.

## Fiction

### General

**Daddy Was a Number Runner**  
by Louise Meriwether

**I Hope You Find What You're Looking For**  
by Bsrat Mezgebe

**If I Ruled The World**  
by Amy DuBois Barnett

**Kin**  
by Tayari Jones

**Where the Wildflowers Grow**  
by Terah Shelton Harris

### Mystery

**Murder from A to Z**  
by V. M. Burns

**The Mysterious Death of Junetta Plum**  
by Valerie Wilson Wesley

**The Shape of Dreams**  
by April Reynolds

**Worse Than a Lie**  
by Benjamin Crump

### Graphic Novels

**Goobers**  
by Cody Zigler

### Fantasy

**The Daughter Who Remains**  
by Nnedi Okorafor

**The Secret World of Maggie Grey**  
by Granger

**Secrets of the First School**  
by T. L. Huchu

### Romance

**Champagne Taste on a Bad Boy Budget**  
by Zuri Day

**The Ex Dilemma**  
by Elle Wright

**Forever Mine**  
by Shelli Marie

**Hearts on the Fly**  
by Toni Shiloh

**Janae Sanders' Second Time Around**  
by LaQuette

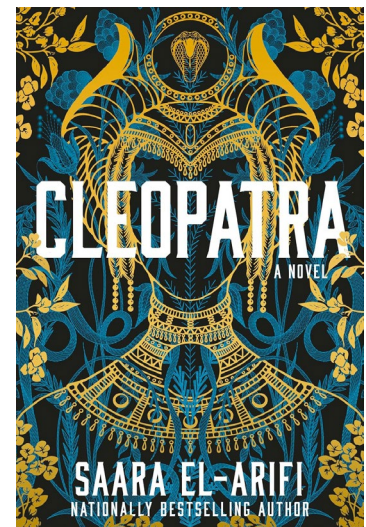
**The Re-Do List**  
by Denise Williams

**Skate It Till You Make It**  
by Rufaro Faith Mazarura

**Sweet Little Hearts**  
by Shanora Williams

### Historical

**Burn Down Master's House**  
by Clay Cane



**Cleopatra**  
by Saara El-Arifi

**Fire Sword and Sea**  
by Vanessa Riley

**Fireflies in Winter**  
by Eleanor Shearer

**Inharmonious**  
by Tammye Huf

**Keeper of Lost Children**  
by Sadeqa Johnson

**The Seven Daughters of Dupree**  
by Nikesha Elise Williams

**With Love from Harlem**  
by ReShonda Tate

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## Urban

**Ambitionz of a Slider:  
Thuggin' With a Purpose**  
by Ira B.

**Birthright**  
by Zari

**Fresh Off Da Porch: The Tale  
of a Knucklehead**  
by Ira B.

**A Lover's Betrayal**  
by Nikki K. Hail

**Sins of a Side Chick**  
by Kandie Marie

## Thrillers

**Behind These Four Walls**  
by Yasmin Angoe

**Edge**  
by Tracy Clark

**The Exes**  
by Leodora Darlington

**Judge Stone**  
by Viola Davis & James  
Patterson

## Science Fiction

**The Hospital at the End  
of the World**  
by Justin C. Key

**The People's Library**  
by Veronica G. Henry

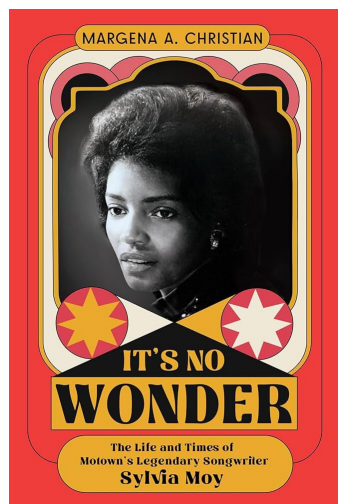
## Horror

**On Sundays She Picked  
Flowers**  
by Yah Yah Scholfield

# Non-Fiction

## Biography

**House of Diggs: The Rise  
and Fall of America's  
Most Consequential Black  
Congressman, Charles C.  
Diggs Jr.**  
by Marion Orr



**It's No Wonder: The Life and  
Times of Motown's Legendary  
Songwriter Sylvia Moy**  
by Margena A. Christian

**The Remarkable Life of Reed  
Peggram: The Man Who  
Stared Down World War II in  
the Name of Love**  
by Ethelene Whitmire

## Creative Arts

**The Artist's Roadmap:  
Navigating Your Career  
in Show Business**  
by Richard Lawson

**Black Out Loud: The  
Revolutionary History of Black  
Comedy From Vaudeville to  
'90s Sitcoms**  
by Geoff Bennett

**Ethiopian Devotions:  
Paintings, Illuminated  
Manuscripts, and Processional  
Crosses from the Fourteenth  
to the Twentieth Centuries**  
by Marilyn Eiseman Heldman

**Forever For the Culture:  
Notes from the New Black  
Digital Arts Renaissance**  
by Steven Underwood

**The World of Black Film:  
A Journey Through Cinematic  
Blackness in 100 Films**  
by Ashley Clark

## Cooking

**For The Love Of Chocolate**  
by Phillip Ashley Rix

## Current Affairs

**The Cure for Everything:  
The Epic Struggle for Public  
Health and a Radical Vision  
for Human Thriving**  
by Michelle A. Williams

**Miracle Children: Race,  
Education, and a True Story  
of False Promises**  
by Erica L. Green & Katie Benner

## Essays

**Good Woman: A Reckoning**  
by Savala Nolan

**Languages of Home: Essays  
on Writing, Hoop, and  
American Lives, 1971-2025**  
by John Edgar Wideman

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## Finance

**What No One Tells You About Money: The Real Key to Getting Unstuck from Someone Who's Been There**

by Jade Warshaw

## Health

**How to Love Your Afro**

by Paige Lewin

**Mothering the Mother: African American Postpartum Traditions, Recipes, and Healing**

by Shafia Monroe

**The Official We Do Not Care Club Handbook: A Hot-Mess Guide for Women in Perimenopause, Menopause, and Beyond Who Are Over It**

by Melani Sanders

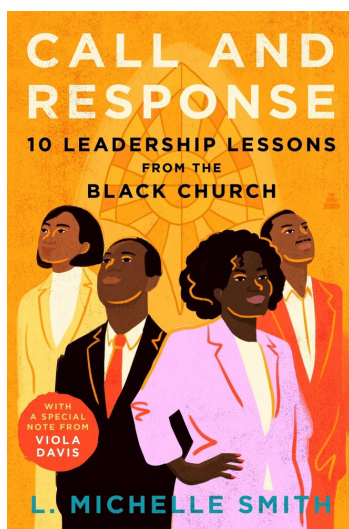
**The Yates Protocol: Five Simple Steps to Fix Your Blood Sugar and Reverse Type 2 Diabetes**

by Beverly Yates

## Leadership

**Call and Response: 10 Leadership Lessons from the Black Church**

by L. Michelle Smith



## History

**A Black Queer History of the United States**

by C. Riley Snorton

**Black, White, Colored: The Hidden Story of an Insurrection, a Family, a Southern Town, and Identity in America**

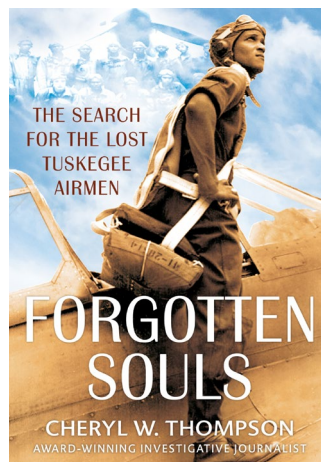
by Laretta Malloy Noble

**Class Warfare in Black Atlanta: Grassroots Struggles, Power, and Repression Under Gentrification**

by Augustus Wood

**The Escapes of David George: An Odyssey of Slavery, Freedom, and the American Revolution**

by Gregory E. O'Malley



**Forgotten Souls: The Search for the Lost Tuskegee Airmen**

by Cheryl W. Thompson

**The Free and the Dead: The Untold Story of the Black Seminole Chief, the Indigenous Rebel, and America's Forgotten War**

by Jamie Holmes

**Freedom Lost, Freedom Won: A Personal History of America**

by Eugene Robinson

**A High Price for Freedom: Raising Hidden Voices from the African American Past**

by Clyde W. Ford

**I'll Make Me a World: The 100-Year Journey of Black History Month**

by Jarvis Givens

**Kings and Pawns: Jackie Robinson and Paul Robeson in America**

by Howard Bryant

**Measuring the Man: The Writings of Frederick Douglass on Abraham Lincoln**

by Frederick Douglass

**The People Can Fly: American Promise, Black Prodigies, and the Greatest Miracle of All Time**

by Joshua Bennett

**The War Within a War: The Black Struggle in Vietnam and at Home**

by Wil Haygood

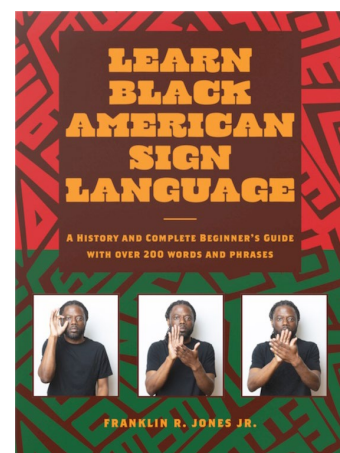
**Until the Last Gun Is Silent: A Story of Patriotism, the Vietnam War, and the Fight to Save America's Soul**

by Matthew F. Delmont

## Language Arts

**Learn Black American Sign Language: A History and Complete Beginner's Guide with Over 200 Words and Phrases**

by Franklin R. Jones, Jr.

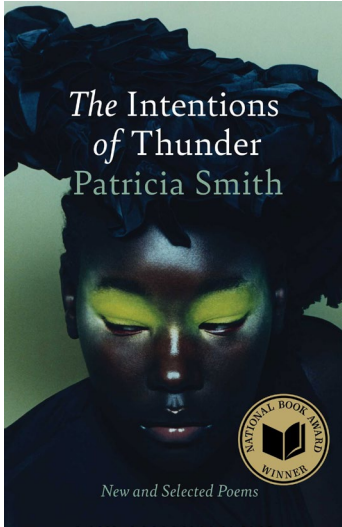


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## Literature & Poetry

**Fear Less: Poetry In Perilous Times**  
by Tracy K. Smith



**The Intentions of Thunder: New and Selected Poems**  
by Patricia Smith

**Language As Liberation: Reflections on the American Canon**  
by Toni Morrison

**On Morrison**  
by Namwali Serpell

## Science

**When Trees Testify: Science, Wisdom, History, and America's Black Botanical Legacy**  
by Beronda Montgomery

## Psychology

**Churn: The Tension That Divides Us and How to Overcome It**  
by Claude Steele

## Memoir

**The Flower Bearers**  
by Rachel Eliza Griffiths

**I Identify as Blind: A Brazen Celebration of Disability Culture, Identity, and Power**  
by Lachi

**It's Never Too Late: A Memoir**  
by Marla Gibbs

**The Mixed Marriage Project: A Memoir of Love, Race, and Family**  
by Dorothy Roberts

**Nonviolent: A Memoir of Resistance, Agitation, and Love**  
by James M. Lawson

**Remember the Times**  
by Teddy Riley

**Scale Boy: An African Childhood**  
by Alain Patrice Nganang

**The Soul Instinct**  
by Beatrice Dixon

**The Voice in My Head is God**  
by 2 Chainz

**Who's Watching Shorty?: Reclaiming Myself from the Shame of R. Kelly's Abuse**  
by Reshona Landfair

## Religion & Spirituality

**The Five Blessings of Ifá: Reclaiming Black Futures Through Afro-Indigenous Spirituality**  
by Gabrielle Felder

## True Crime

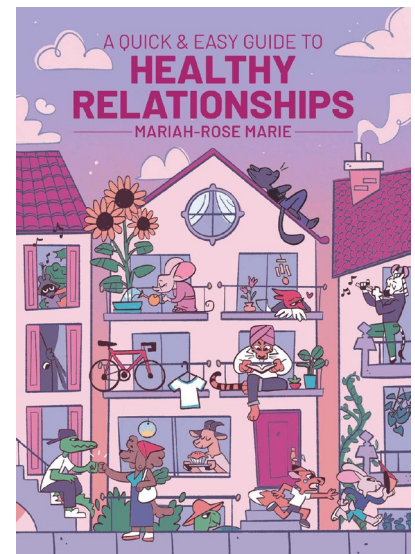
**Injustice Town: A Corrupt City, a Wrongly Convicted Man, and His Struggle for Freedom**  
by Rick Tulsky

## Self-Help

**The Balancing Act: Creating Healthy Dependency and Connection Without Losing Yourself**  
by Nedra Glover Tawwab

**Mindful Meditations for Black Men: Restorative Practices to Soothe the Mind, Body, and Spirit**  
by Jor-El Caraballo

**Never Can Say Goodbye: The Life of a Death Doula and the Art of a Peaceful End**  
by Darnell Lamont Walker



**A Quick & Easy Guide to Healthy Relationships**  
by Mariah-Rose Marie

**The Way Love Goes: A Guide to Building a "Beautiful" and Everlasting Relationship**  
by Da Brat & Judy

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