

Racial Equity and Human Rights Series: Historical Perspectives on AntiBlack Violence Select Reading Recommendations**

Short Reads--Editorials and Op-Eds: Historical Perspectives on AntiBlack Violence

- Colin Gordon, "[The Making of Ferguson](#)," *Dissent* (August, 16, 2014)
- Ashley M. Howard, "[Why Ferguson Isn't the Tale of Two Protests](#)," *The Black Scholar* (August 18, 2014)
- Austin McCoy, "[When Whites Riot, Humanity is a Given](#)," *Nursing Clio* (October 30, 2014)
- Marcia Chatelain, "[Teaching the #FergusonSyllabus](#)," *Dissent* (November 28, 2014)
- Walter Johnson, "[Ferguson's Fortune 500 Company](#)," *The Atlantic* (April 26, 2015)
- Heather Cox Richardson, "[Reconstructing the American Tradition of Domestic Terrorism](#)," *Werehistory.org* (June 18, 2015)
- Michael Eric Dyson, "[Love and Terror in the Black Church](#)," *New York Times* (June 20, 2015)
- Douglas R. Egerton, "[Before Charleston's Church Shooting, a Long History of Attacks](#)," *New York Times* (June 18, 2015)
- Yoni Applebaum, "[Why Is the Flag Still There?](#)" *The Atlantic* (June 21, 2015)
- Ta-Nehisi Coates, "[Take Down the Confederate Flag—Now](#)," *The Atlantic* (June 18, 2015)
- Simon Balto, "[Why Police Cheered Trump's Dark Speech](#)," *Washington Post*, *Made by History* (July 31, 2017)
- Stuart Schraeder, "[An Empire of Patrolmen](#)," *Jacobin* (October 18, 2019)
- Chad Williams, Kidada E. Williams, and Keisha N. Blain, [#CharlestonSyllabus](#), African American Intellectual History Society (AAHIS)
- Allissa V. Richardson, "[Why cell phone videos of black people's deaths should be considered sacred, like lynching photographs](#)," *The Conversation* (May 28, 2020)
- August H. Nimtz, Jr., "[It's a big deal that the outrage expressed over George Floyd's death was massive and multiracial](#)," *MinnPost* (May 28, 2020)
- Keeanga-Yamahatta Taylor, "[Of Course There Are Protests. The State is Failing Black People](#)," *New York Times* (May 29, 2020)
- Eddie S. Glaude, Jr., "[George Floyd's Murder Shows Once More that we Cannot Wait for White America to End Racism](#)," *Time* (May 29, 2020)
- Elizabeth Hinton, "[The Minneapolis Uprising in Context](#)," *Boston Review* (May 29, 2020)
- Keisha N. Blain, "[Violence in Minneapolis is rooted in the history of racist policing in America](#)," *Washington Post*, *Made by History* (May 30, 2020)
- Melvin Rogers, "[We Should Be Afraid, But Not of Protesters](#)," *Boston Review* (May 30, 2020)
- Robert Greene II, "[We Are Living in a Red Spring](#)," *Jacobin* (May 31, 2020)
- Kali Nicole Gross, "[By Remembering Our Sisters, We Challenge Police Violence Against Black Women and Legacies that Eclipse these Injustices](#)," Association of Black Women Historians (May 31, 2020)
- Kellie Carter Jackson, "[The Double-Standard of the American Riot](#)," *The Atlantic* (June 1, 2020)
- Ibram X. Kendi, "[The American Nightmare](#)," *The Atlantic* (June 1, 2020)
- Carol Anderson, "[In 1919, the state failed to protect black Americans. A century later, it's still failing](#)," *The Guardian* (June 2, 2020)
- Connie Hassett-Walker, "[The racist roots of American policing: From slave patrols to traffic stops](#)" *The Conversation* (June 6, 2020)
- Jeanne Theoharis, "[Using MLK to Quell Outrage Distorts His Legacy](#)" AAIHS (June 8, 2020)

- Emily Tamkin, ["The history of America's racist police, from slave patrols to present: Understanding the creation of the police force in the United States is essential to reforming it,"](#) *NewStatesman* (June 13, 2020)

Books on the History of AntiBlack Racism

- Ralph Ginzburg, *100 Years of Lynchings* (1962)
- David Roediger, *The Wages of Whiteness: Race and the Making of the American Working Class* (1991)
- W. Fitzgerald Brundage, *Lynching in the New South: Georgia and Virginia, 1880-1930* (1993)
- Nancy MacLean, *Behind the Mask of Chivalry: the Making of the Second Ku Klux Klan* (1994)
- Thomas J. Sugrue, *The Origins of the Urban Crisis: Race and Inequality in Postwar Detroit* (1996)
- Saidiya V. Hartman, *Scenes of Subjection: Terror, Slavery, and Self-Making in Nineteenth Century America* (1997)
- Grace Elizabeth Hale, *Making Whiteness: The Culture of Segregation in the South, 1890-1940* (1998)
- David Grimsted, *American Mobbing: Toward Civil War* (1998)
- Philip A. Klinkner and Rogers M. Smith, *The Unsteady March: The Rise and Decline of Racial Equality in America* (1999)
- Deborah Gray White, *Too Heavy a Load: Black Women in Defense of Themselves, 1894-1994* (1999)
- Sheila Smith McKoy, *When Whites Riot: Writing Race and Violence in American and South African Culture* (2001)
- Christopher Waldrep, *Lynching in America: A History in Documents* (2006)
- Mark Smith, *How Race is Made: Slavery, Segregation, and the Senses* (2006)
- David Freund, *Colored Property: State Policy & White Racial Politics in Suburban America* (2007)
- Janet L. Abu-Lughod, *Race, Space, and Riots in Chicago, New York, and Los Angeles* (2007)
- Bruce E. Baker, *What Reconstruction Meant: Historical Memory in the American South* (2007)
- Kevin Mumford, *Newark: A History of Race, Rights, and Riots in America* (2007)
- Kate Dossett, *Bridging Race Divides: Black Nationalism, Feminism and Integration, 1896-1935* (2008)
- Rebecca Nell Hill, *Men, Mobs, and Law: Anti-lynching and Labor Defense in US Radical History* (2008)
- Douglas Blackmon, *Slavery by Another Name: The Re-Enslavement of Black People in America from the Civil War to World War II* (2008)
- Crystal Feimster, *Southern Horrors: Women and the Politics of Rape and Lynching* (2009)
- Hannah Rosen, *Terror in the Heart of Freedom: Citizenship, Sexual Violence, and the Meaning of Race in the Post-Emancipation South* (2009)
- Amy Louise Wood, *Lynching and Spectacle: Witnessing Racial Violence in America, 1890-1940* (2009)
- Beryl Satter, *Family Properties: Race, Real Estate, and the Exploitation of Black Urban America* (2009)
- Danielle McGuire, *At the Dark End of the Street: Black Women, Rape and Resistance* (2010)
- Crystal N. Feimster, *Southern Horrors: Women and the Politics of Rape and Lynching* (2011)
- Khalil Muhammad, *The Condemnation of Blackness: Race, Crime, and the Making of Modern Urban America* (2011)
- Kidada Williams, *They Left Great Marks on Me: African American Testimonies of Racial Violence from Emancipation to World War I* (2012)
- Michelle Alexander, *The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness* (2012)
- Michael J. Pfeifer, *Lynching Beyond Dixie: American Mob Violence Outside the South* (2013)
- Brenda E. Stevenson, *The Contested Murder of Latasha Harlins: Justice, Gender, and the Origins of the LA Riots* (2013)
- Talitha L. LeFlouria, *Chained in Silence: Black Women and Convict Labor in the New South* (2015)
- David F. Krugler, *1919, the Year of Racial Violence: How African Americans Fought Back* (2015)
- Ibram X. Kendi, *Stamped from the Beginning: The Definitive History of Racist Ideas in America* (2016)
- Elizabeth Dale, *Robert Nixon and Police Torture in Chicago, 1871-1971* (2016)
- Eddie S. Glaude Jr., *Democracy in Black: How Race Still Enslaves the American Soul* (2016)

- Sarah Haley, *No Mercy Here: Gender, Punishment, and the Making of Jim Crow Modernity* (2016)
- Linda Gordon, *The Second Coming of the KKK: The Ku Klux Klan of the 1920s and the American Political Tradition* (2017)
- Carol Anderson, *White Rage: The Unspoken Truth of Our Racial Divide* (2017)
- Tera Agyepong, *The Criminalization of Black Children: Race, Gender, and Delinquency in Chicago's Juvenile System, 1950-1972* (2018)
- Simon Balto, *Policing Black Chicago from Red Summer to Black Power* (2019)
- Laurence Ralph, *The Torture Letters: Reckoning with Police Violence* (2020)

Books on the Long Civil Rights Movement-Black Power Era

- James Baldwin, *The Fire Next Time* (1963)
- James Cone, *Black Theology and Black Power* (1969)
- Howell Raines, *My Soul is Rested: Movement Days in the Deep South Remembered* (1977)
- Clayborne Carson, *In Struggle: SNCC and the Black Awakening of the 1960s* (1981)
- Aldon D. Morris, *The Origins of the Civil Rights Movement: Black Communities Organizing for Change* (1984)
- David J. Garrow, *Bearing the Cross: Martin Luther King, Jr. and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference* (1986)
- Adam Fairclough, *To Redeem the Soul of America: the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and Martin Luther King, Jr.* (1987)
- Jo Ann Gibson Robinson and David J. Garrow, *The Montgomery Bus Boycott and the Women Who Started It: The Memoir of Jo Ann Gibson Robinson* (1987)
- Taylor Branch, *Parting the Waters: American in the King Years, 1954-1963* (1988)
- Clayborne Carson, *The Eyes on the Prize: Civil Rights Reader* (1991)
- William Van Deburg, *New Day in Babylon: The Black Power Movement and American Culture, 1965-1975* (1992)
- David L. Chappell, *Inside Agitators: White Southerners in the Civil Rights Movement* (1994)
- John Dittmer, *Local People: the Struggle for Civil Rights in Mississippi* (1994)
- Charles Payne, *I've Got the Light of Freedom: The Organizing Tradition and the Mississippi Freedom Struggle* (1995)
- Gerald Horne, *Fire This Time: The Watts Uprising and the 1960s* (1995)
- Robert F. Williams, *Negroes with Guns* (1998)
- Chana Kai Lee, *For Freedom's Sake: The Life of Fannie Lou Hamer* (1999)
- Komozi Woodard, *A Nation within a Nation: Amiri Baraka (LeRoi Jones) And Black Power Politics* (1999)
- Jennifer Smith, *An International History of the Black Panther Party* (1999)
- Bruce Nelson, *Divided We Stand: American Workers and the Struggle for Black Equality* (2001)
- Bettye Collier-Thomas and V. P. Franklin, eds., *Sisters in the Struggle: African American Women in the Civil Rights-Black Power Movement* (2001)
- Barbara Ransby, *Ella Baker and the Black Freedom Movement: A Radical Democratic Vision* (2003)
- Martha Biondi, *To Stand and Fight: The Struggle for Civil Rights in Postwar New York City* (2003)
- Carol Anderson, *Eyes off the Prize: The United Nations and the African American Struggle for Human Rights, 1944-1955* (2003)
- Lance Hill, *The Deacons for Defense: Armed Resistance and the Civil Rights Movement* (2004)
- Matthew Countryman, *Up South: Civil Rights and Black Power in Philadelphia* (2005)
- Clive Webb, *Massive Resistance: Southern Opposition to the Second Reconstruction* (2005)
- Christina Greene, *Our Separate Ways: Women and the Black Freedom Movement in Durham, North Carolina* (2005)
- Peniel E. Joseph, *Waiting 'til the Midnight Hour: A Narrative History of Black Power in America* (2006)

- Thomas Jackson, *From Civil Rights to Human Rights: Martin Luther King, Jr., and the Struggle for Economic Justice* (2007)
- Glenda Elizabeth Gilmore, *Defying Dixie: The Radical Roots of Civil Rights, 1919-1950* (2008)
- Thomas Sugrue, *Sweet Land of Liberty: The Forgotten Struggle for Civil Rights in the North* (2008)
- Hasan Jeffries, *Bloody Lowndes: Civil Rights and Black Power in Alabama's Black Belt* (2009)
- Erik S. Gellman, *Deathblow to Jim Crow: The National Negro Congress and the Rise of Militant Civil Rights* (2012)
- Akinyele Umoja, *We Will Shoot Back: Armed Resistance in the Mississippi Freedom Movement* (2013)
- Joshua Bloom and Waldo Martin, *Black Against Empire: The History and Politics of the Black Panther Party* (2013)
- Jay Winston Driskell, *Schooling Jim Crow: The Fight for Atlanta's Booker T. Washington High School and the Roots of Black Protest Politics* (2014)
- Rhonda Williams, *Concrete Demands: The Search for Black Power in the 20th Century* (2015)
- Heather Ann Thompson, *Blood in the Water: The Attica Prison Uprising of 1971 and Its Legacy* (2016)
- Jeanne Theoharis, *More Beautiful and Terrible History: The Uses and Misuses of Civil Rights History* (2018)
- Ashley D. Farmer, *Remaking Black Power: How Black Women Transformed an Era* (2018).
- Kellie Carter Jackson, *Force and Freedom: Black Abolitionists and the Politics of Violence* (2019)
- Le'Trice D. Donaldson, *Duty Beyond the Battlefield African American Soldiers Fight for Racial Uplift, Citizenship, and Manhood, 1870-1920* (2020)

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