

# Black Creators

## Nonfiction, Biographies, and Awards

### Nonfiction: History

Abdul-Jabbar, Kareem. *What Color is My World? The Lost History of African-American Inventors*. (920.073 ABD)

Baptiste, Tracey. *African Icons: Ten People Who Shaped History*. (920 BAP)

Madigan, Tim and Hilary Beard. *The Burning: Black Wall Street and the Tulsa Race Massacre of 1921 (Adapted for Young People)*. (976.686 MAD)

Bolden, Tonya. *Changing the Equation: 50+ US Black Women in STEM* and *How to Build a Museum: Smithsonian's National Museum of African American History and Culture*. (509.252 BOL; 973.049 BOL)

Evans, Shane W. *Underground: Finding the Light to Freedom*. (973.7 EVA)

Farrell, Mary Cronk. *Standing Up Against Hate: How Black Women in the Army Helped Change the Course of WWII*. (940.541 FAR)

*The Fierce 44: Black Americans Who Shook Up the World*. (920.009 REI)

*Good Night Stories for Rebel Girls: 100 Real-Life Tales of Black Girl Magic*. (920.72 G00)

Green, Amanda Jackson. *Hidden Black History: From Juneteenth to Redlining*. (323.119 GRE)

Greenfield, Eloise. *The Women Who Caught the Babies: A Story of African American Midwives*. (618.2 GRE)

Hannah-Jones, Nikole. *Born on the Water*. (306.362 HAN)

Harrison, Vashti. *Little Legends: Exceptional Men in Black History* and *Little Leaders: Bold Women in Black History*. (920.71/2 HAR)

Henson, Heather and Bryan Collier. *Lift Your Light a Little Higher: The Story of Stephen Bishop, Slave-Explorer*. (973.711 HEN)

Hudson, Cheryl Willis. *Brave, Black, First: 50+ African American Women Who Changed the World*. (920.72 HUD)

Hudson, Wade. *Powerful Words: More Than 200 Years of Extraordinary Writing by African Americans*. (920.073 HUD)

Nelson, Kadir. *Heart and Soul: The Story of America and African Americans*. (973.049 NEL)

Pinkney, Andrea David. *Hand in Hand: Ten Black Men Who Changed America*. (920.073 PIN)

Shetterly, Margot Lee. *Hidden Figures: The Untold True Story of Four African-American Women Who Helped Launch Our Nation Into Space*. (Young Reader's Edition: 510.92 LEE, picture book edition: 920.72 SHE)

Stone, Tanya Lee. *Courage Has No Color: The True Story of the Triple Nickles, America's First Black Paratroopers*. (920.54 STO)

Smith, Charles R., Jr. *28 Days: Moments in Black History That Changed the World* (973.049 SMI) and *Brick by Brick*. (975.3 SMI)

*We Rise, We Resist, We Raise Our Voices*. (305.8 WE)

Weatherford, Carole Boston. *Unspeakable: The Tulsa Race Massacre*. (976.686 WEA)

Williams, Schele. *Your Legacy: A Bold Reclaiming of Our Enslaved History*. (973.049 WIL)

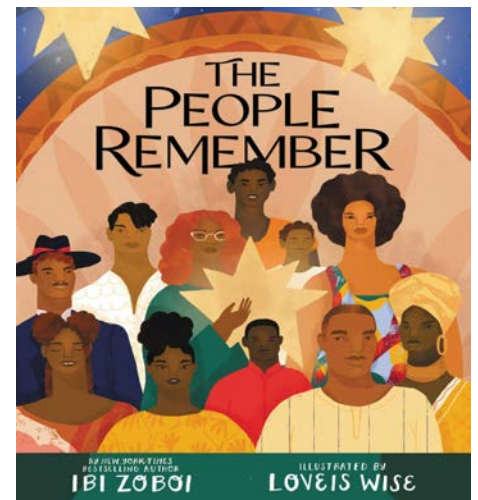
Wilson, Jamia. *Young, Gifted and Black: Meet 52 Black Heroes From Past and Present*. (920 WIL)

Winn, Kevin P. and Kelisa Wing. *Racial Justice in America Histories* (series): *Atrocities in Action* (305.8 WIN); *Desegregation and Integration* (379.263 WIN); *Jim Crow and Policing* (323.119 WIN); *Juneteenth* (394.263 WIN); *Tulsa Race Riots and The Red Summer of 1919* (305.8 WIN); and *Voting Rights*. (324.62 WIN)

Woelfle, Gretchen and R. Gregory Christie. *Answering the Cry for Freedom: Stories of African Americans and the American Revolution*. (973.3 WOE)

Wright, Simeon. *Simeon's Story: An Eyewitness Account of the Kidnapping of Emmett Till*. (305.8 WRI)

Zoboi, Ibi Aanu. *The People Remember*. (973.049 ZOB)



### Civil Rights & Activism

Alko, Selina and Sean Qualls. *The Case for Loving: The Fight for Interracial Marriage*. (306.846 ALK)

Bass, Hester and E.B. Lewis. *Seeds of Freedom: The Peaceful Integration of Huntsville, Alabama*. (323.1 BAS)

Chambers, Veronica. *Call and Response: The Story of Black Lives Matter*. (323.119 CHA)

Clark-Robinson, Monica and Frank Morrison. *Let the Children March*. (323.119 CLA)

Dawson, Kelia V. and Alleanna Harris. *Opening the Road: Victor Hugo Green and His Green Book*. (323.119 DAW)

Dionne, Evette. *Lifting as We Climb: Black Women's Battle for the Ballet Box*. (323.34 DIO)

Duncan, Alice Faye and Charly Palmer. *Evicted!: The Struggle for the Right to Vote*. (324.62 DUN)

Goodman, Susan and E.B. Lewis. *The First Step: How One Girl Put Segregation on Trial*. (344.079 G00)

Gordon, Tyler. *We Can: Portraits of Power*. (920.009 GOR)

Henderson, Leah. *Together We March: 25 Protest Movements That Marched Into History*. (303.484 HEN)

King, Dr. Martin Luther, Jr. *I Have a Dream*. (323.092 KIN)



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### Nonfiction: Civil Rights and Activism cont.

King, Shani M. *Have I Ever Told You Black Lives Matter.* (920.009 KIN)

Langley, Sharon. *A Ride to Remember: A Civil Rights Story.* (305.8 LAN)

Lewis, Cicely. *Mass Incarceration, Black Men, and the Fight for Justice.* (365.608 LEW)

Lowery, Lynda Blackmon. *Turning 15 on the Road to Freedom: My Story of the 1965 Selma Voting Rights March.* (323.119 LOW)

Miller, Sharee. *Michelle's Garden: How the First Lady Planted Seeds of Change.* (635 MIL)

Nelson, Vaunda Micheaux. *Dream March: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and the March on Washington.* (323.119 NEL)

Nichols, De. *Art of Protest: Creating, Discovering, and Activating Art for Your Revolution.* (701.03 NIC)

Pinkney, Andrea Davis. *Sit-In: How Four Friends Stood Up By Sitting Down.* (323.19 PIN)

Reynolds, Jason. *Stamped and Stamped (For Kids): Racism, Antiracism, and You.* (305.8 REY)

Shelton, Paula Young. *Child of the Civil Rights Movement.* (323.119 SHE)

*The Talk: Conversations About Race, Love & Truth.* (305.8 TAL)

Tyner, Artika R. *Black Lives Matter: From Hashtag to the Streets and Black Voter Suppression: The Fight for the Right to Vote.* (323.119 TYN)

Wallace, Sandra Neil. *The Teachers March!: How Selma's Teachers Changed History.* (323.119 WAL)

Watkins, Angela Farris. *My Uncle Martin's Big Heart.* (323.092 WAT)

### Art, Music, Dance & Sports

Bardhan-Quallen, Sudipta and R. Gregory Christie. *The United States v. Jackie Robinson.* (796.357 BAR)

Barnes, Derrick. *Who Got Game? Baseball: Amazing But True Stories.* (796.357 BAR)

Celenza, Anna Harwell and Don Tate. *Duke Ellington's Nutcracker Suite.* (781.65 CEL)

Copeland, Misty. *Black Ballerinas: My Journey to Our Legacy.* (792.8 COP)

DePrince, Michaela. *Taking Flight: From War Orphan to Star Ballerina.* (792.8 DEP)

Elizabeth, Jordannah. *She Raised Her Voice!: 50 Black Women Who Sang Their Way Into Music History.* (920.72 ELI)

Grady, Cynthia and Michele Wood. *Like a Bird: The Art of the American Slave Song.* (782.253 GRA)

Harris, Duchess. *The Birth of Hip-Hop.* (781.649 HAR)

Hill, Laban Carrick. *Dave the Potter: Artist, Poet, Slave* (738.092 HIL) and *When the Beat was Born: DJ Kool Herc and the Creation of Hip Hop.* (781.649 HIL)

Johnson, James Weldon. *Lift Every Voice and Sing: A Celebration of the African American National Anthem.* (781.64 JOH)

Kirkfield, Vivian and Alleanna Harris. *Making Their Voices Heard: The Inspiring Friendship of Ella Fitzgerald and Marilyn Monroe.* (781.65 KIR)

McKissack, Pat. *Let's Clap, Jump, Sing & Shout; Dance, Spin & Turn It Out! Games, Songs, and Stories From an African American Childhood.* (305.896 MCK)

Moore, Madison and Lonnie Ollivierre. *More Than Just a Game: The Black Origins of Basketball.* (796.323 MOO)

Nelson, Kadir. *We are the Ship: The Story of Negro League Baseball.* (796.357 NEL)

Pinkney, Andrea Davis. *Rhythm Ride: A Road Trip Through the Motown Sound.* (781.644 PIN)

Rolling, James Haywood. *Come Look with Me: Discovering African-American Art for Children.* (704.039 ROL)

Skead, Robert and Floyd Cooper. *Something to Prove: The Great Satchel Paige vs. Rookie Joe DiMaggio.* (796.357 SKE)

Slade, Suzanne and Don Tate. *Swish!: The Slam-Dunking, Alley-Ooping, High-Flying Harlem Globetrotters.* (796.323 SLA)

Smith, Charles R., Jr. *Stars in the Shadows: The Negro League All-Star Game of 1934.* (796.357 SMI)

Weatherford, Carole Boston. *The Roots of Rap: 16 Bars on the 4 Pillars of Hip-Hop.* (781.649 WEA)

Williams, Andrea. *Baseball's Leading Lady: Effa Manley and the Rise and Fall of the Negro Leagues.* (796.357 WIL)

Winter, Jonah and Keith Mallett. *How Jelly Roll Morton Invented Jazz.* (781.65 WIN)

### Poetry & Folk Tales

Alexander, Kwame. *Out of Wonder: Poems Celebrating Poets and The Undefeated.* (811 ALE)

Brooks, Gwendolyn. *Bronzeville Boys and Girls and We are Shining.* (811 BRO)

Browne, Mahogany L. *Woke: A Young Poet's Call to Justice.* (811 BRO)

Bryan, Ashley. *Freedom Over Me.* (811 BRY)

Greenfield, Eloise. *The Great Migration: Journey to the North and Thinker: My Puppy Poet and Me.* (811 GRE)

Grimes, Nikki. *Legacy: Women Poets of the Harlem Renaissance and One Last Word: Wisdom From the Harlem Renaissance.* (811 GRI)

Hamilton, Virginia. *Her Stories: African American Folktales, Fairy Tales, and True Tales* and *The People Could Fly: American Black Folktales.* (398.2 HAM)

*Hip-Hop Speaks to Children: A Celebration of Poetry With a Beat.* (811 HIP)

Hughes, Langston. *I, Too, Am America; My People;* and *The Negro Speaks of Rivers.* (811 HUG)

Latham, Irene and Charles Waters. *Can I Touch Your Hair?: Poems of Race, Mistakes, and Friendship.* (811 LAT)

Lester, Julius. *Uncle Remus: The Complete Tales.* (398.2 LES)

Medina, Tony. *Thirteen Ways of Looking at a Black Boy.* (811 MED)

Myers, Walter Dean. *Blues Journey and Looking Like Me.* (811 MYE)

Nelson, Marilyn. *How I Discovered Poetry;* and *A Wreath for Emmett Till.* (811 NEL)

Pinkney, Andrea Davis. *Martin Rising: Requiem for a King.* (811 PIN)

*Poetry for Young People: African American Poetry.* (808.81 AFR)

Sore, Diane ZuHone. *This Is the Dream.* (811 SHO)

Thomas, Joyce Carol. *The Blacker the Berry: Poems.* (811 THO)

Woodson, Jacqueline. *brown girl dreaming and Locomotion.* (811 WOO)

*Words with Wings: A Treasury of African-American Poetry and Art.* (811 WOR)

Wright, Richard. *Seeing Into Tomorrow: Haiku by Richard Wright.* (811 WRI)

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### Biographies: Politics & Activism, 17th-19th Century

*Box: Henry BROWN Mails Himself to Freedom.*

*Facing Frederick: The Life of Frederick DOUGLASS, A Monumental American Man.*

*Mumbet's Declaration of Freedom.* (FREEMAN)

*Midnight Teacher: Lilly Ann GRANDERSON and Her Secret School.*

*A Man Called HORSE: John Horse and the Black Seminole Underground Railroad.*

*Lizzie Demands a Seat!: Elizabeth JENNINGS Fights for Streetcar Rights.*

*Never Caught, the Story of Ona JUDGE: George and Martha Washington's Courageous Slave... and Runaway: The Daring Escape of Ona JUDGE.*

*Stitch by Stitch: Elizabeth Hobbs KECKLY Sews Her Way to Freedom.*

*Step Right Up: How Doc and Jim KEY Taught the World About Kindness.*

*A Spy Called James: The True Story of James LAFAYETTE, Revolutionary War Double Agent.*

*Hammering for Freedom: William LEWIS Story.*

*The Amazing Age of John Roy LYNCH.*

*Maritcha: A Nineteenth-Century American Girl.* (LYONS)

*Searching for Sarah RECTOR: The Richest Black Girl in America.*

*Bad News for Outlaws: The Remarkable Life of Bass REEVES, Deputy U.S. Marshall.*

*We Wait for the Sun.* (Dovey J. ROUNDTREE)

*William STILL and His Freedom Stories: The Father of the Underground Railroad.*

*So Tall Within: Sojourner TRUTH's Long Walk Toward Freedom and Sojourner TRUTH's Step-Stop Stride.*

*Moses: When Harriet TUBMAN Led Her People to Freedom and She Persisted: Harriet TUBMAN.*

*Fifty Cents and a Dream: Young Booker T. WASHINGTON.*

*Phillis's Big Test.* (WHEATLEY)

*Carter Reads the Newspaper.* (WOODSON)

### Politics & Activism, 20th-21st Century

*Lift as You Climb: The Story of Ella BAKER.*

*Leaders Like Us: Charlotta BASS.*

*March Forward, Girl: From Young Warrior to Little Rock Nine.* (Melba BEALS)

*Saving American Beach: The Biography of African American Environmentalist MaVyne BETSCH.*

*This Promise of Change: One Girl's Story in the Fight for School Equality.* (Jo Ann Allen BOYCE)

*She Persisted: Ruby BRIDGES and Through My Eyes.*

*She Was the First!: The Trailblazing Life of Shirley CHISHOLM; Shirley CHISHOLM Dared: The Story of the First Black Woman in Congress; and Speak Up, Speak Out!: The Extraordinary Life of "Fighting Shirley CHISHOLM."*

*Because Claudette and Claudette COLVIN: Twice Towards Justice.*

*Pies from Nowhere: How Georgia GILMORE Sustained the Montgomery Bus Boycott.*

*When the Schools Shut Down: A Young Girl's Story of Virginia's "Lost Generation" and the Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka Decision.* (Yolanda GLADDEN)

*Segregated Skies: David HARRIS's Trailblazing Journey to Rise Above Racial Barriers.*

*Kamala HARRIS: Rooted in Justice and Superheroes are Everywhere.*

*The Youngest Marcher: The Story of Audrey Faye HENDRICKS, a Young Civil Rights Activist.*

*Defiant: Growing Up in the Jim Crow South* (Wade HUDSON).

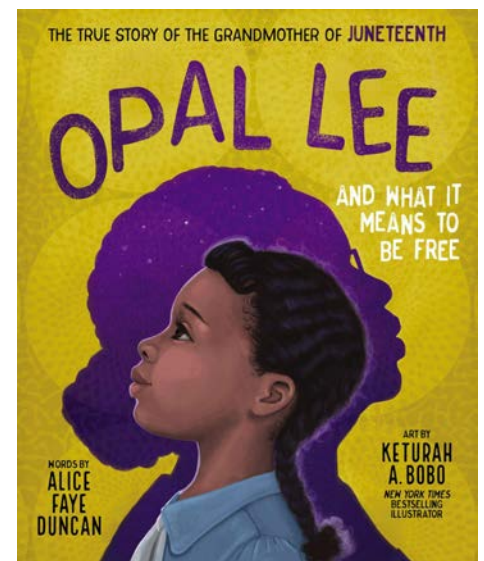
*What Do You Do With a Voice Like That?: The Story of Extraordinary Congresswoman Barbara JORDAN.*

*Martin & Mahalia: His Words, Her Song and Martin Luther KING, Jr.: Fighting for Civil Rights.*

*Coretta Scott and She Persisted: Coretta Scott KING.*

*Opal LEE and What It Means to Be Free: The True Story of the Grandmother of Juneteenth.*

*John LEWIS in the Lead: A Story of the Civil Rights Movement.*



*Someday is Now: Clara LUPER and the 1958 Oklahoma City Sit-ins.*

*The Highest Tribute: Thurgood MARSHALL's Life, Leadership, and Legacy.*

*The Power of Her Pen: The Story of Ground-breaking Journalist Ethel L. PAYNE.*

*Yes, We Can: A Biography of Barack OBAMA.*

*Becoming: Adapted for Young Readers and Michelle.* (OBAMA)

*Rosa and Rosa PARKS: My Story.*

*Child of the Dream: A Memoir of 1963.* (Sharon ROBINSON)

*SCHOMBURG: The Man Who Built a Library.*

*Howard THURMAN's Great Hope.*

*The Oldest Student: How Mary WALKER Learned to Read.*

*Ida B. WELLS: Let the Truth be Told and Ida B. WELLS, Voice of Truth: Educator, Feminist, and Anti-Lynching Civil Rights Leader.*

*Malcolm Little: The Boy Who Grew up to Become Malcolm X and Malcolm X: A Fire Burning Brightly.*



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### Biographies cont.: Art, Music, Dance & Literature

*Alvin AILEY.*

*Marian ANDERSON: Amazing Opera Singer.*

*Trombone Shorty and 5 o'clock Band.*  
(Troy ANDREWS)

*Rise: From Caged Bird to Poet of the People, Maya ANGELOU.*

*Struttin' with Some Barbecue: Lil Hardin ARMSTRONG Becomes the First Lady of Jazz.*

*Just a Lucky So and So: The Story of Louis ARMSTRONG.*

*Josephine: The Dazzling Life of Josephine BAKER.*

*Between the Lines: How Ernie BARNES Went from the Football Field to the Art Gallery.*

*My Hands Sing the Blues: Romare BEARDEN's Childhood Journey.*

*BEYONCÉ: Shine Your Light.*

*Exquisite: The Poetry and Life of Gwendolyn BROOKS and A Song for Gwendolyn BROOKS.*

*Infinite Hope: A Black Artist's Journey from World War II to Peace.* (Ashley BRYAN)

*Star Child: A Biographical Constellation of Octavia Estelle BUTLER.*

*Brave Ballerina: The Story of Janet COLLINS.*

*Before John Was a Jazz Giant: A Song of John COLTRANE.*

*Life in Motion: An Unlikely Ballerina (Young Reader's Edition).* (Misty COPELAND)

*Birth of the Cool: How Jazz Great Miles DAVIS Found His Sound.*

*Ballerina Dreams: From Orphan to Ballerina.* (Michaela DEPRINCE)

*Duke ELLINGTON: The Piano Prince and His Orchestra.*

*Ella FITZGERALD: The Tale of a Vocal Virtuosa and Skit-Scat Raggedy Cat: Ella FITZGERALD.*

*A Voice Named Aretha; R-E-S-P-E-C-T: Aretha FRANKLIN, the Queen of Soul and Sing, Aretha, Sing!: Aretha FRANKLIN, "Respect," and the Civil Rights Movement.*

*Voice of Freedom: Fannie Lou HAMER, The Spirit of the Civil Rights Movement.*

*Jimi Sounds Like a Rainbow: A Story of the Young Jimi HENDRIX.*

*Mister and Lady Day: Billie HOLIDAY and the Dog Who Loved Her.*

*The Legendary Miss Lena HORNE.*

*Jump at the Sun: The True Life Tale of Unstoppable Storycatcher Zora Neale HURSTON.*

*Dark Was the Night: Blind Willie JOHNSON's Journey to the Stars.*

*Little Melba and Her Big Trombone.*  
(LISTON)

*Fancy Party Gowns: The Story of Fashion Designer Ann Cole LOWE.*

*Harlem's Little Blackbird: The Story of Florence MILLS.*

*Leaders Like Us: Jackie ORMES.*

*Gordon PARKS: How the Photographer Captured Black and White America.*

*Sewing Stories: Harriet POWERS' Journey from Slave to Artist.*

*Leontyne PRICE: Voice of a Century.*

*Faith RINGGOLD: Narrating the World in Pattern and Color.*

*Grandpa Stops a War: A Paul ROBESON Story.*

*Sonny's Bridge: Jazz Legend Sonny ROLLINS Finds His Groove and Sonny ROLLINS Plays the Bridge.*

*In Her Hands: The Story of Sculptor Augusta SAVAGE.*

*Nina: A Story of Nina SIMONE.*

*By and By: Charles TINDLEY, the Father of Gospel Music.*

*It Jes' Happened: When Bill TRAYLOR Started to Draw.*

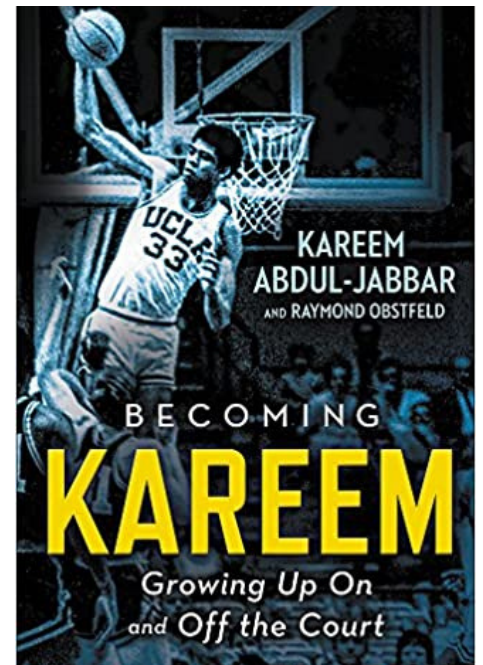
*Take a Picture of Me, James VAN DER ZEE!*

*Stompin' at the Savoy: How Chick WEBB Became the King of Drums.*

*Trailblazer: The Story of Ballerina Raven WILKINSON.*

*She Persisted: Oprah WINFREY.*

*Little Stevie WONDER.*



### Sports

*Becoming Kareem: Growing Up On and Off the Court.* (ABDUL-JABBAR)

*Champion: The Story of Muhammad ALI.*

*Above the Rim: How Elgin BAYLOR Changed Basketball.*

*Flying High: The Story of Gymnastics Champion Simone BILES.*

*Touch the Sky: Alice COACHMAN, Olympic High Jumper.*

*Let 'er Buck: George FLETCHER, the People's Champion.*

*Althea GIBSON: The Story of Tennis' Fleet-of-Foot Girl.*

*Black Jack: The Ballad of Jack JOHNSON.*

*Mamie on the Mound: A Woman in Baseball's Negro Leagues.* (JOHNSON)

*She Persisted: Florence Griffith JOYNER.*

*A Nation's Hope: The Story of Boxing Legend Joe LOUIS.*

*She Loved Baseball: The Effa MANLEY Story.*

*Follow Chester: A College Football Team Fights Racism and Makes History.* (PIERCE)

*Promises to Keep: How Jackie ROBINSON Changed America and Testing the Ice: A True Story about Jackie ROBINSON.*

*Leaders Like Us: Wendell SCOTT.*

*Major TAYLOR, Champion Cyclist.*

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### Biographies cont.: Science & Technology

*Ticktock BANNEKER's Clock.*

*Secret Garden of George Washington CARVER.*

*Flying Free: How Bessie COLEMAN's Dreams Took Flight.*

*Dream Builder: The Story of Architect Philip FREELON.*

*No Small Potatoes: Junius G. GROVES and His Kingdom in Kansas.*

*I, Matthew HENSON: Polar Explorer.*

*Mae Among the Stars. (JEMISON)*

*One Step Further: My Story of Math, The Moon, and a Lifelong Mission and Reaching for the Moon: The Autobiography of NASA Mathematician Katherine JOHNSON.*

*Whoosh! Lonnie JOHNSON's Super-Soaking Stream of Inventions.*

*Lewis LATIMER: Engineering Wizard.*

*Chasing Space and Leaders Like Us: Leland MELVIN.*

*Saving the Day: Garrett MORGAN's Life-Changing Invention of the Traffic Signal and The Unstoppable Garrett MORGAN: Inventor, Entrepreneur, Hero.*

*Tiny Stitches: The Life of Medical Pioneer Vivien THOMAS.*

*Starstruck: The Cosmic Journey of Neil deGrasse TYSON.*

*Buzzing with Questions: The Inquisitive Mind of Charles Henry TURNER.*

*Vision of Beauty: The Story of Sarah Breedlove WALKER.*

### Coretta Scott King Book Awards & John Steptoe New Talent Awards

**Coretta Scott King Book Awards**  
Designed to commemorate the life and works of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and to honor Mrs. Coretta Scott King for her courage and determination to continue the work for peace, the Coretta Scott King Book Awards annually recognize outstanding books for young adults and children by African American authors and illustrators that reflect the African American experience.

**John Steptoe New Talent Award**  
Established in 1995, the John Steptoe New Talent Award is established to affirm new talent and to offer visibility to excellence in writing and/or illustration which otherwise might be formally unacknowledged within a given year within the structure of the two awards given annually by the Coretta Scott King Book Awards Committee.

### 2022 Winners & Honors

**Coretta Scott King Award Winner for Author**  
*Unspeakable: The Tulsa Race Massacre*, written by Carole Boston Weatherford

**Coretta Scott King Award Winner for Illustrator**  
*Unspeakable: The Tulsa Race Massacre*, illustrated by Floyd Cooper

**John Steptoe New Talent Award for Author**  
*Me (Moth)*, written by Amber McBride

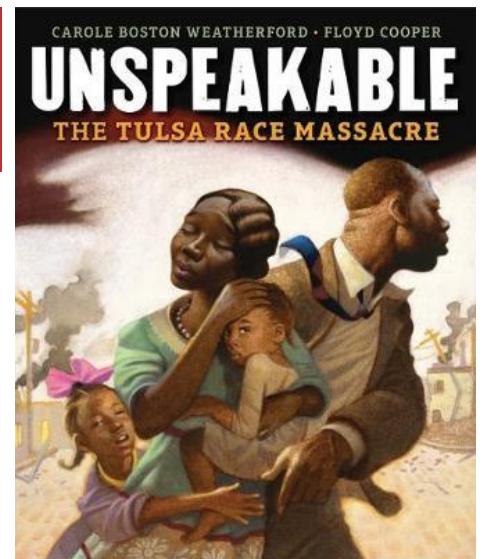
**John Steptoe New Talent Award for Illustrator**  
*The Me I Choose to Be*, illustrated by Regis and Kahran Bethencourt

**Coretta Scott King Award Honors for Author**

- *Home is Not a Country*, written by Safia Elhillo
- *Revolution in Our Time*, written by Kekla Magoon
- *The People Remember*, written by Ibi Zoboi

**Coretta Scott King Award Honors for Illustrator**

- *Nina: A Story of Nina Simone*, illustrated by Christian Robinson
- *We Wait for the Sun*, illustrated by Raissa Figueroa
- *Soul Food Sunday*, illustrated by C.G. Esperanza



### Coretta Scott King Book Awards & John Steptoe New Talent Awards History

(A) Coretta Scott King Award: Author  
(I) Coretta Scott King Award: Illustrator  
(NA) John Steptoe New Talent Award: Author  
(NI) John Steptoe New Talent Award: Illustrator

1970 *Martin Luther King, Jr.: Man of Peace.* Lillie Patterson (A)

1971 *Black Troubadour: Langston Hughes.* Charlemae Rollins (A)

1972 *17 Black Artists.* Elton C. Fax (A)

1973 *I Never Had it Made: The Autobiography of Jackie Robinson.* Jackie Robinson & Alfred Duckett (A)

1974 *Ray Charles.* Sharon Bell Mathis (A) and George Ford (I)

1975 *The Legend of Africana.* Dorothy Robinson (A)

1976 *Duey's Tale.* Pearl Bailey (A)

1977 *The Story of Stevie Wonder.* James Haskins (A)

1978 *Africa Dream.* Eloise Greenfield (A) and Carole Byard (I)

1979 *Escape to Freedom.* Ossie Davis (A) *Something on My Mind.* Tom Feelings (I)

1980 *The Young Landlords.* Walter Dean Myers (A)  
*Cornrows.* Carole Byard (I)

1981 *This Life.* Sidney Poitier (A)  
*Beat the Story Drum, Pum-Pum.* Ashley Bryan (I)

1982 *Let the Circle Be Unbroken.* Mildred D. Taylor (A)  
*Mother Crocodile.* John Steptoe (I)

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### Awards History, cont.

(A) Coretta Scott King Award: Author  
(I) Coretta Scott King Award: Illustrator  
(NA) John Steptoe New Talent Award: Author  
(NI) John Steptoe New Talent Award: Illustrator

1983 *Sweet Whispers, Brother Rush*. Virginia Hamilton (A)  
*Black Child*. Peter Magubane (I)

1984 *Everett Anderson's Goodbye*. Lucille Clifton (A)  
*My Mama Needs Me*. Pat Cummings (I)

1985 *Motown and Didi*. Walter D. Myers (A)

1986 *The People Could Fly*. Virginia Hamilton (A)  
*The Patchwork Quilt*. Jerry Pinkney (I)

1987 *Justin and the Best Biscuits in the World*. Mildred Pitts Walter (A)  
*Half a Moon and One Whole Star*. Jerry Pinkney (I)

1988 *The Friendship*. Mildred D. Taylor (A)  
*Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters*. John Steptoe (I)

1989 *Fallen Angels*. Walter Myers (A)  
*Mirandy and Brother Wind*. Jerry Pinkney (I)

1990 *A Long Hard Journey*. Patricia C. & Fredrick L. McKissack (A)  
*Nathaniel Talking*. Jan Spivey Gilchrist (I)

1991 *The Road to Memphis*. Mildred D. Taylor (A)  
*Aida*. Leo & Diane Dillon (I)

1992 *Now is Your Time*. Walter D. Myers (A)  
*Tar Beach*. Faith Ringgold (I)

1993 *The Dark-Thirty*. Patricia C. McKissack (A)  
*The Origin of Life on Earth: An African Creation Myth*. Kathleen Atkins Wilson (I)

1994 *Toning the Sweep*. Angela Johnson (A)  
*Soul Looks Back in Wonder*. Tom Feelings (I)

1995 *Christmas in the Big House, Christmas in the Quarters*. Patricia C. & Fredrick L. McKissack (A)  
*The Creation*. James Ransome (I)  
*Tears of a Tiger*. Sharon Draper (NA)

1996 *Her Stories*. Virginia Hamilton (A)  
*The Middle Passage*. Tom Feelings (I)

1997 *Slam*. Walter Dean Myers (A)  
*Minty: Young Harriet Tubman*. Jerry Pinkney (I)  
*Another Way to Dance*. Martha Southgate (NA)

1998 *Forged by Fire*. Sharon Draper (A)  
*In Daddy's Arms I am Tall: African Americans Celebrating Fathers*. Javaka Steptoe (I)

1999 *Heaven*. Angela Johnson (A)  
*I See the Rhythm*. Michele Wood (I)  
*The Skin I'm In*. Sharon Flake (NA)  
*The Piano Man*. Eric Velasquez (NI)

2000 *Bud, Not Buddy*. Christopher Paul Curtis (A)  
*In the Time of the Drums*. Brian Pinkney (I)

2001 *Miracle's Boys*. Jacqueline Woodson (A)  
*Uptown*. Bryan Collier (I)

2002 *The Land*. Midred D. Taylor (A)  
*Go in' Someplace Special*. Jerry Pinkney (I)  
*Freedom Summer*. Jerome Lagarrigue (NI)

2003 *Bronx Masquerade*. Nikki Grimes (A)  
*Talking' About Bessie*. E.B. Lewis (I)  
*Chill Wind*. Janet McDonald (NA)  
*The Moon Ring*. Randy DuBurke (NI)

2004 *The First Part Last*. Angela Johnson (A)  
*Beautiful Blackbird*. Ashley Bryan (I)  
*The Way a Door Closes*. Hope Anita Smith (NA)  
*My Family Plays Music*. Elbrite Brown (NI)

2005 *Remember: The Journey to School Integration*. Toni Morrison (A)  
*Ellington Was Not a Street*. Kadir Nelson (I)  
*Missy Violet and Me*. Barbara Hathaway (NA)  
*Jazzy Miz Mozetta*. Frank Morrison (NI)

2006 *Day of Tears: A Novel in Dialogue*. Julius Lester (A)  
*Rosa*. Bryan Collier (I)  
*Jimi & Me*. Jaime Adoff (NA)

2007 *Copper Sun*. Sharon Draper (A)  
*Moses: When Harriet Tubman Led Her People to Freedom*. Kadir Nelson (I)  
*Standing Against the Wind*. Traci L. Jones (NA)

2008 *Elijah of Buxton*. Christopher Paul Curtis (A)  
*Let it Shine*. Ashley Bryan (I)  
*Brendan Buckley's Universe and Everything In It*. Sundee T. Frazier (NA)

2009 *We Are the Ship*. Kadir Nelson (A)  
*The Blacker the Berry*. Floyd Cooper (I)  
*Bird*. Shadra Strickland (NA)

2010 *Bad News for Outlaws*. Vaunda Micheaux Nelson (A)  
*My People*. Charles R. Smith, Jr. (I)  
*The Rock and the River*. Kekla Magoon (NA)

2011 *One Crazy Summer*. Rita Williams-Garcia (A)  
*Dave the Potter*. Bryan Collier (I)  
*Zora and Me*. Victoria Bond & T.R. Simon (NA)  
*Seeds of Change*. Sonia Lynn Sadler (NI)

2012 *Heart and Soul: The Story of America and African Americans*. Kadir Nelson (A)  
*Underground: Finding the Light to Freedom*. Shane W. Evans (I)

2013 *Hand in Hand: Ten Black Men Who Changed America*. Andrea Davis Pinkney (A)  
*I, Too, Am America*. Bryan Collier (I)

2014 *P.S. Be Eleven*. Rita Williams-Garcia (A)  
*Knock Knock: My Dad's Dream For Me*. Bryan Collier (I)  
*When the Beat was Born: DJ Kool Herc and the Creation of Hip Hop*. Theodore Taylor III (NI)

2015 *brown girl dreaming*. Jacqueline Woodson (A)  
*Firebird*. Christopher Myers (I)  
*When I Was the Greatest*. Jason Reynolds (NA)

2016 *Gone Crazy in Alabama*. Rita Williams-Garcia (A)  
*Trombone Shorty*. Bryan Collier (I)  
*Hoodoo*. Ronald L. Smith (NA)  
*Voice of Freedom: Fannie Lou Hamer, Spirit of the Civil Rights Movement*. Ekua Holmes (NI)

2017 *March: Book Three*. John Lewis & Andrew Aydin (A)  
*Radiant Child: The Story of Young Artist Jean-Michel Basquiat*. Javaka Steptoe (I)  
*The Sun Is Also a Star*. Nicola Yoon (NA)

2018 *Piecing Me Together*. Renée Watson (A)  
*Out of Wonder: Poems Celebrating Poets*. Ekua Holmes (I)  
*The Stars Beneath Our Feet*. David Barclay Moore (NA)  
*Mama Africa! How Miriam Makeba Spread Hope with Her Song*. Charly Palmer (NI)

2019 *A Few Red Drops: The Chicago Race Riot of 1919*. Claire Hartfield (A)  
*The Stuff of Stars*. Ekua Holmes (I)  
*Monday's Not Coming*. Tiffany D. Jackson (NA)  
*Thank You, Omu! Oge Mora* (NI)

2020 *New Kid*. Jerry Craft (A)  
*The Undeclared*. Kadir Nelson (I)  
*Genesis Begins Again*. Alicia D. Williams (NA)  
*What is Given From the Heart*. April Harrison (NI)

2021 *Before the Ever After*. Jacqueline Woodson (A)  
*R-E-S-P-E-C-T: Aretha Franklin, The Queen of Soul*. Frank Morrison (I)  
*Legendborn*. Tracy Deonn (NA)