New & Noteworthy List for February 2017

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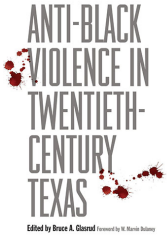
In honor of Black History Month, we are highlighting books by or about African Americans from our collection. To arrange check out and delivery of any of these items, please contact the library at 463-1252.



1. Anti-Black Violence in Twentieth-Century Texas By Bruce A. Glasrud, editor.
Provides a striking collection of essays by historians, journalists, and writers on the history of racial violence against African Americans in Texas. Demonstrates the persistence of racial violence across time, from lynchings in Lamar County (1890-1920) to the beating of Billy Ray Johnson in 2003. Argues that to understand present-day race relations, the violence against African Americans in the past must be examined.
Texas A&M University Press, 2015. 209 pages.
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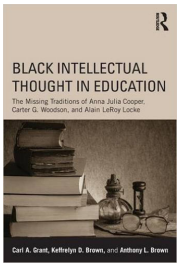

2. Black Intellectual Thought in Education: The Missing Traditions of Anna Julia Cooper, Carter G. Woodson, and Alain LeRoy Locke By Carl A. Grant, Keffrelyn D. Brown, and Anthony L. Brown
Presents the history of black intellectual thought through the eyes of three prominent black academic scholars. Celebrates the contributions of Anna Julia Cooper, Carter G. Woodson (known as the Father of Black History Month), and Alain Leroy Locke, to the causes of social science, education and democracy in America. Offers a powerful counter-narrative to the educational discourse and critical social theory established in the mainstream of American thought. Highlights ideas that should be examined to deal with prevailing educational issues of today.
Routledge, 2016. 185 pages.
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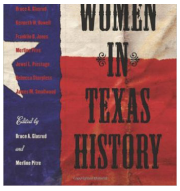

3. Black Women in Texas History By Bruce A. Glasrud and Merline Pitre, editors.
Looks at how African American women have been shaped by the larger culture as well as how these women have affected the culture and history of Texas. Compiles essays written by era experts to survey African American women's experiences through time and themes, including slavery and freedom, Reconstruction, the Civil Rights Era, and more. Argues that often-disenfranchised black women actively pursued ways to make their voices heard and build community.
Texas A&M University Press, 2008. 248 pages.
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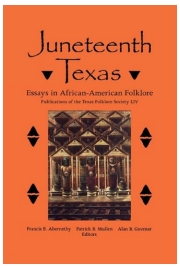

4. Juneteenth Texas: Essays in African-American Folklore By Francis Edward Abernethy, Patrick B. Mullen, and Alan B. Govenar, editors.
Presents a wide variety of viewpoints on African-American folklore in Texas, including personal memoirs, essays describing various aspects of African-American folk culture and specific genres of songs and stories, and theoretical scholarly articles. Includes an essay on the history of the Juneteenth celebration in Texas, highlighting the path to establishing it as an official state holiday with the passage of HB1016, 66th Legislature.
University of North Texas Press, 1996. 364 pages.
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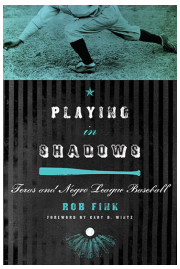

5. Playing in Shadows: Texas and Negro League Baseball By Rob Fink
Explores the significant role African American baseball teams in Texas and black Texans had in shaping the state's African American communities and building community pride and racial identity. Profiles the prominent role of Texan Andrew "Rube" Foster and his leadership in forming the Negro National League, the first black national professional league. Examines black newspapers and uses oral history interviews and autobiographies to flesh out the activities of specific players and Texas' own professional Texas-Oklahoma-Louisiana League of 1929 to 1931.
Texas Tech University Press, 2010. 165 pages.
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6. The Ground on Which I Stand: Tamina, a Freemen's Town By Marti Corn
Chronicles the lives, dreams, and spirit of the people of Tamina, a rural community north of Houston, established by newly freed slaves in 1871. Presents a multifaceted portrait of twelve descendent families through intimate photographs and oral histories gathered from residents who represent a variety of backgrounds. Shares stories of challenges and opportunities along with the residents' deep pride and love for Tamina.
Texas A&M University Press, 2016. 140 pages.
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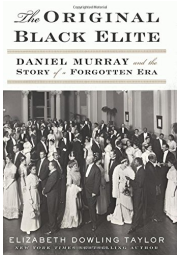

7. The Original Black Elite: Daniel Murray and the Story of a Forgotten Era By Elizabeth Dowling Taylor
Presents the story of the black elites who thrived in the nation's capital during reconstruction, told through the life of Daniel Murray (1851-1925), who was appointed Assistant Librarian at the Library of Congress and considered a prominent member of this "elite" class. Chronicles the rise and calculated fall of upper-class African Americans, a group of prominent educators, doctors, senators and lawyers, from Emancipation through Reconstruction to the Jim Crow Era. Includes photographs and maps.
Amistad Publishers, 2017. 498 pages.
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