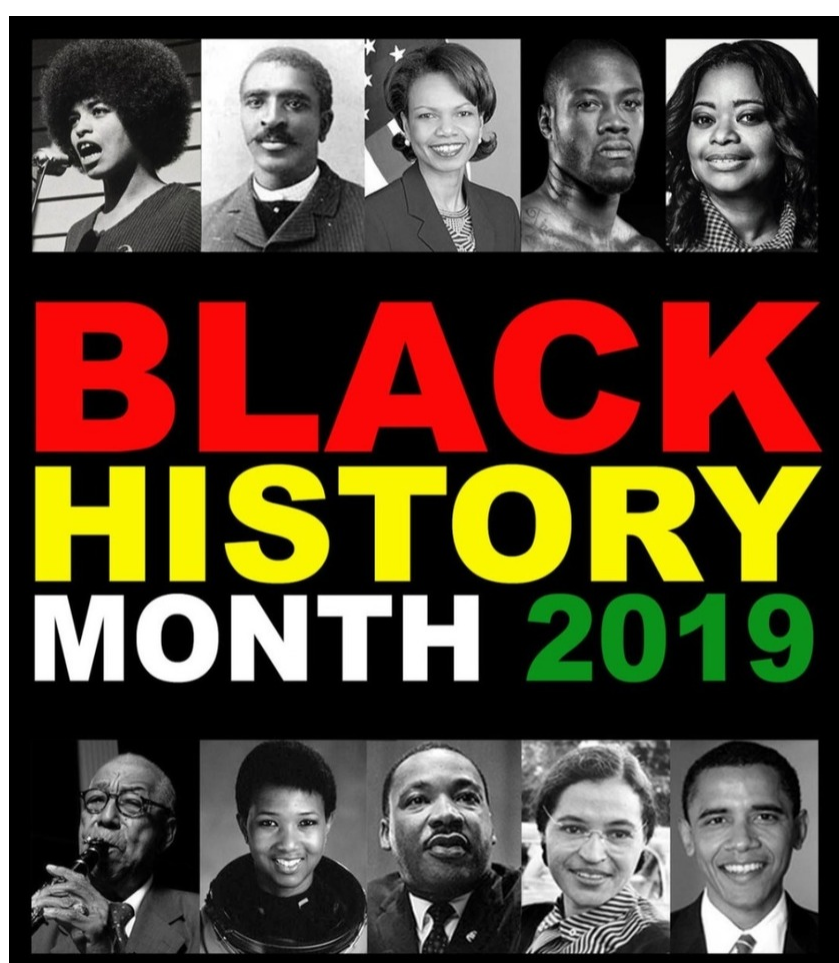


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Black History Month Programs February 4-8

February 4

- [Inspirational Coasters, Smithfield Library](#)
- [African American Cemetery Research, Central Library](#)
- [West African Dance, Titusville Library](#)
- [African American Poetry Program, North Birmingham Library](#)

February 5

- [Black History Bingo, Titusville Library](#)

February 6

- [African Mask Craft, Titusville Library](#)

February 7

- [Demonstration of African Head Wraps, Pratt City Library](#)
- [Remember the Titans Screening, Woodlawn Library](#)
- [Mighty Times: The Children's March Documentary Screening, West End Library](#)

February 8

- [Celebrate Our African American Heritage, Southside Library](#)
- [African American Achievement in Film, Smithfield Library](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Bards & Brews at Black Market Bar + Grill

February 1
6:30 P.M.

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Ukulele 101 with Mrs. Eve

February 2
9:30 A.M.
Avondale Library

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Career Test Prep

February 4
10:00 A.M.
Smithfield Library

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Intro to Yoga

February 4
6:30 P.M.
Central Library

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Social Workers Help Change Lives @ BPL

February 6
1:00 P.M.
Five Points West Library

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Club Create

February 6
2:00 P.M.
Avondale Library

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Dr. Anthony Pattin, Pianist

February 24
3:00 P.M.
Central Library

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ONGOING EVENTS



Downtown: Photographs from the Archives' Collection

Archiving through April 5, 2019
Central Library
Fourth Floor Gallery

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A Portrait of Birmingham at Work

February 12–March 26, 2019
Central Library
First Floor Gallery

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Friends Bookstore

Shop at the Friends Bookstore in the Central Library and support Birmingham Public Library programming.

Hours:
Monday–Saturday
10:00 A.M.–5:00 P.M.

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1999 The 20th Annual Black Heritage Fair 2019
Born a Slave Died Free Bi-Centennial Slavery Exhibit in Celebration of Alabama 200
THEME: The Great Migration North and West
Saturday, February 2, 2019
Doors Open at 10:00 am (Registration)
Exhibits, Music, and Displays
FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!
LOCATION: The Birmingham Public Library Central
2100 Park Place, B'ham AL, Linn Henley Bldg, 4th Floor Aud
Alabama Slave Exhibit
Colored Schools
Abandoned and Missing BLACK CEMETERIES
RESEARCH
THE GREAT MIGRATION North & West
Sponsors: Birmingham African American Genealogy Group, Birmingham African American Genealogy Group, Birmingham African American Genealogy Group

Black History Programs Focus on Black Migration

The national theme for this year's Black History Month is Black Migration. This refers to the trend in which many African Americans migrated from racism in southern states in search of a better life and higher paying jobs elsewhere.

Five Points West Regional Branch Library is hosting several free programs during February beginning next week based on black migration. On Saturday, February 2, the Central Library is hosting the Birmingham African-American Genealogy Group (BAAGG)'s 20th Annual Black Heritage Fair, with The Great Migration theme. BAAGG holds its monthly meetings at the Central Library.

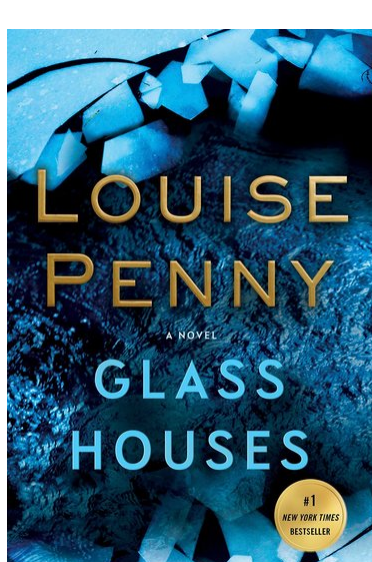
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Lady Sings the Blues Screening February 3, Central Library Reviewed by David Ryan

I grew up listening to rock and the occasional folk album. Perhaps this is why I've never felt completely comfortable exploring other types of music as an adult. The fact that I never learned to play an instrument, or read music, leaves me feeling even more lost. Jazz in particular has always left me intimidated. The dizzying improvisation, the voices, chords, and notes jumping from the top of the scale to the bottom is simply too much for me to comprehend let alone discuss intelligently. So, I've always steered myself away from this quintessentially American art form. A composer friend recently told me that was nonsense. "You don't have to understand the notes to feel the music," he said.

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Staff Pick: Glass Houses by Louise Penny Reviewed by Jenn Seiler-Patrick

Glass Houses by Louise Penny is one of the most "can't-put-it-down" mysteries that I've read in a long time. I knew when I started reading earlier Louise Penny works that I loved her off-kilter characters in the small town of Three Pines, Quebec.

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