



TCCL REMEMBERS:

Commemorating Tulsa's **Race Massacre**

With Education, Empathy and Healing



Featured authors include Hannibal B. Johnson, Robin DiAngelo, Clifton L. Taulbert, Mira Jacob and Jason Reynolds.

Tulsa City-County Library commemorates the 1921 Tulsa Race Massacre Centennial with events and resources to promote education, empathy and healing.

We will explore the history and impact of the 1921 Tulsa Race Massacre on our community; build empathy through fiction and nonfiction works; and engage in meaningful conversation about challenges past and present, including racial and cultural divisions. While we celebrate the growth and healing in our community, TCCL also recognizes there is much work yet to be done.

Join us.

Travels With Tulsans: Tulsa and Mobile - Past and Present

Wednesday, Feb. 3 · 12:10–12:50 p.m. · Zoom

Phil Armstrong and the 1921 Tulsa Race Massacre Centennial Commission visited Mobile, Ala., in May 2019 to get inspiration for the upcoming Greenwood Rising project and other initiatives. Email Friends@TulsaLibrary.org to receive a Zoom invite. Sponsored by Friends of the Tulsa City–County Libraries.

1921 Historical Trauma: Business Goes on as Usual

Thursday, Feb. 18 · 6 p.m. · Zoom/YouTube

Presented by Anthony “Tony B” Brinkley, this presentation showcases an array of talented local performers, including singers, poets, dancers, actors and spoken word artists. In honor of the Greenwood District of Tulsa, the performance addresses the issue of historical trauma and its lasting impact on the African American community, while focusing on the 1921 Tulsa Race Massacre as an introspective centerpiece. Visit www.youtube.com/tulsalibrary or email Alicia.Latimer@tulsalibrary.org to receive a Zoom invite.

African American Heritage Bowl

Thursday, Feb. 25 · 6 p.m. · Zoom/Kahoot!

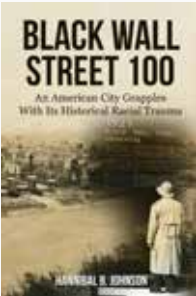
This year’s bowl is virtual and will take place via Zoom and Kahoot! It is open to all junior high and high school students and community groups interested in learning about the horrific events of the 1921 Tulsa Race Massacre. Each team can have four members. Each high school and junior high school may register only one team per school. To participate in the bowl, register online at www.tulsalibrary.org/aarc. A maximum of six copies of the quiz book will be available for pickup at any TCCL regional library for registered school and community team groups. To watch the bowl, register online at www.tulsalibrary.org/events to receive a Zoom invite for this event.

COMMUNITY READ EVENT

Black Wall Street 100: Live Interview With Author Hannibal B. Johnson

Tuesday, March 2 · 6 p.m. · Zoom

An expert and scholar on the history of the 1921 Tulsa Race Massacre, author Hannibal B. Johnson will speak about his newest book, *Black Wall Street 100: An American City Grapples With Its Historical Racial Trauma*, followed by a Q&A. Nearly 100 years later, Johnson addresses the psychological and historical trauma left by the devastation of the massacre and the resilience of the extraordinary entrepreneurs of the ‘20s and those who carry on the legacy today. *Black Wall Street 100* is endorsed by the Tulsa Race Massacre Centennial Commission and the 400 Years of African American History Commission. Register online at www.tulsalibrary.org/events or email register@tulsalibrary.org to receive a Zoom invite.



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Books Sandwiched In: *The Vanishing Half*

Monday, March 8 · 12:10–12:50 p.m. · Zoom

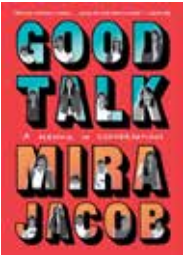
Rebecca Marks–Jimerson will discuss *The Vanishing Half* by Brit Bennett. In this *New York Times* bestseller, Bennett examines sisterhood, personal identity, starting fresh, and what it means to be black (and white) in America. Email Friends@TulsaLibrary.org to receive a Zoom invite. Sponsored by Friends of the Tulsa City–County Libraries.

COMMUNITY READ EVENT

An Evening With Mira Jacob

Thursday, March 18 · 7 p.m. · Zoom

Join author Mira Jacob as she discusses her book *Good Talk*, which examines the conversations we have about race, sexuality and love with insight, humor and heart. A Q&A will follow. Register online at www.tulsalibrary.org/events or email register@tulsalibrary.org to receive a Zoom invite.



Common Ground: A Courageous Community Conversation on Tulsa’s Past, Present and Future

Tuesday, March 30 · 6:30 p.m. · Zoom

Using Hannibal B. Johnson’s *Black Wall Street 100* as a catalyst, we will discuss the impacts of racial trauma and the actions necessary for meaningful growth and healing. Participants will have the opportunity to share ideas for fostering a more inclusive and equitable Tulsa. Register online at www.tulsalibrary.org/events or email outreach.services@tulsalibrary.org to receive a Zoom invite for this event.

Unite Tulsa: Empathy, Education and Healing

Thursday, April 8 · 7 p.m. · Zoom

We will commemorate the Tulsa Race Massacre Centennial by sparking a conversation about race relations in Oklahoma, with particular emphasis on the themes of empathy, education and healing. Join Unite Tulsa for this forum to share the ways we’re working to make our community a better, more inclusive place to live. Selected speakers will have five minutes to talk about their chosen topic. Register online at www.tulsalibrary.org/events or email register@tulsalibrary.org to receive a Zoom invite.

COMMUNITY READ EVENT

Fireside Chat With Author Robin DiAngelo

Thursday, April 22 · 6 p.m. · Zoom

New York Times bestselling author Robin DiAngelo joins us to discuss her book *White Fragility: Why It’s So Hard for White People to Talk About Racism*. Described by author Michael Eric Dyson as a “vital, necessary and beautiful book,” *White Fragility* has played a key role in the growing antiracism movement. DiAngelo examines the way white fragility reinforces racist structures and strives to



equip readers with strategies for engaging in constructive cross-racial dialogue. A Q&A will follow. Register online at www.tulsalibrary.org/events or email register@tulsalibrary.org to receive a Zoom invite.

Panel Discussion: Who Watches the Watchmen?

Thursday, April 29 · 7 p.m. · Zoom

Join a panel of experts as they discuss HBO’s television series *Watchmen*, based on Alan Moore’s graphic novel of the same name. Per HBO: “Set in an alternate timeline where masked vigilantes are treated as outlaws, *Watchmen* embraces the nostalgia of the original groundbreaking graphic novel ... while attempting to break new ground of its own.” Panelists will examine the role of the Tulsa Race Massacre throughout the series. Register online at www.tulsalibrary.org/events or email register@tulsalibrary.org to receive a Zoom invite.

Exhibit: TCCL Remembers - Commemorating Tulsa’s Race Massacre With Education, Empathy and Healing

Opening on Tuesday, May 4 · 10 a.m.

Rudisill Regional Library, 1520 N. Hartford

This curated exhibit will offer a unique, immersive way for participants to learn about this tragic historical event as well as the racial and political conditions leading up to and following the Tulsa Race Massacre itself. TCCL is a proud recipient of the 1921 Tulsa Race Massacre Centennial Commission Grant Program. All grants have been made possible from the generosity of WPX Energy.

Meet Author Jason Reynolds, Winner of the 2021 Anne V. Zarrow Award for Young Readers’ Literature

Thursday, May 6 · 7 p.m. · www.youtube.com/tulsalibrary

Jason Reynolds is the *New York Times* bestselling author of *All American Boys* and other works for young adult and middle–grade audiences. “As a black man and a white man, both writers and educators, we came together to co-write a book about how systemic racism and police brutality affect the lives of young people in America, in order to create an important, unique and honest work that would give young people and the people who educate them a tool for having these difficult but absolutely vital conversations,” said Reynolds about his book *All American Boys*, co-written by Brendan Kiely. Visit www.tulsalibrary.org/zarrowaward for more details.

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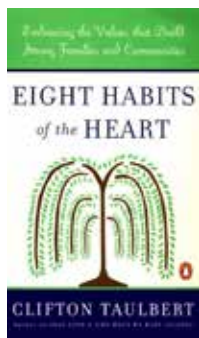
COMMUNITY READ EVENT

Read the book and then join us for a conversation with the author! Copies of the featured books are available for checkout at www.tulsalibrary.org or for purchase from our partner, **Fulton Street Books & Coffee**.

Friendship Mattered Then! Friendship Matters Now! Presented by Clifton L. Taulbert

Tuesday, May 11 • 6 p.m. • Zoom

For 36 hours in 1921, friendship lost its way. Great harm was done to people and property. Black Wall Street disappeared in billowing clouds of smoke. Dreams were shattered and some forever. According to author Clifton L. Taulbert, "The embrace of genuine friendship cannot restore the lost past, but it can ensure a different future... one where 1921 will not be repeated and where all are respected, affirmed and included. Over the past few months of this year, the history of Tulsa 1921 has been revisited as scores of people... writers, young people, dancers, lawyers, movies, books, students and librarians all lending their voices as history to be taught and lessons to be learned. We are all in search for that more perfect union - a way of living together that requires friendship. We must not allow friendship to lose its way." Register at www.tulsalibrary.org/events or email register@tulsalibrary.org to receive a Zoom invite.



TCCL AFRICAN-AMERICAN RESOURCE CENTER

Located at the Rudisill Regional Library, the purpose of the African-American Resource Center is to collect, preserve and provide access to resources honoring and documenting the experiences of people of African descent. The center is devoted to providing the community with current and comprehensive resource materials and professional reference materials on the culture and history of African Americans.

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