



North Star: Minnesota's Black Pioneers Resources for Teaching and Researching

General Resources on African Americans in Minnesota

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Web Sites

“African American Heritage Teaching Resource”:
http://www.smithsonianeducation.org/educators/resource_library/african_american_resources.html

“African American Odyssey,” an on-line exhibit at the Library of Congress:
<http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/aaohhtml/exhibit/aointro.html>

“African American Registry” Timeline: <http://www.aaregistry.com/>

“Givens Collection of African American Literature” at the University of Minnesota:
<http://special.lib.umn.edu/rare/givens/>

“The Rise and Fall of Jim Crow” PBS video and website:
<http://www.pbs.org/wnet/jimcrow/index.html>

“Remembering Jim Crow,” an American Radioworks documentary produced by MPR and NPR:

<http://www.americanradioworks.org/features/remembering/index.html>

“Roy Wilkins Memorial”:
<http://www.tccom.com/wilkins/>.

“Separate is Not Equal: Brown Vs. Board of Education” Smithsonian exhibit:
<http://americanhistory.si.edu/brown/index.html>

“Teaching Tolerance Magazine” and Tolerance.org: <http://www.tolerance.org/>

“Visual Resource Database” at the Minnesota Historical Society at:
<http://collections.mnhs.org/visualresources/>

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Lincoln, C. Eric. *The Black Church in the African American Experience*. Duke University Press, Durham, N.C., 1990.

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"Clayton, Jackson, McGhie Memorial Committee":

<http://www.claytonjacksonmcghie.org/>

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Emily Grey: On the Side of Freedom

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Hess, Jeffery A. *Dred Scott: From Fort Snelling to Freedom*. Minnesota Historical Society, 1975.

Mary D. Cannon, Mary D. and Harpole, Patricia C. "A Day in the Life of Emily Goodridge Grey." *Minnesota History*. Vol. 56/4 (Winter 1998-99).

Petry, Ann. *Harriet Tubman: Conductor on the Underground Railroad*. Pocket Books, New York, 1971.

Frederick Jones: Hallock's Handyman

Ott, Virginia and Swanson, Gloria. *Man with a Million Ideas : Fred Jones, Genius/Inventor*. Lerner Publications, Minneapolis, Minn. 1977.

March on Washington: Minnesotans March

Bass, Patrik Henry. *Like a Mighty Stream: The March on Washington, August 28, 1963*. Running Press, Philadelphia 2002.

Delton, Jennifer A. *Making Minnesota Liberal : Civil Rights and the Transformation of the Democratic Party*. University of Minnesota Press, 2002.

George Bonga: This is His Place

Bonga, George. "The Letters of George Bonga." *Journal of Negro History*, Vol. 12, no. 1 (Jan 1927.)

Katz, William Loren. *Black Indians: A Hidden Heritage*. Atheneum Books for Young Readers, New York, 1986.

Harry Shepard: Portrait of Progress

Search the Visual Resource Database at the Minnesota Historical Society for examples of Harry Shepherd's work at:

<http://collections.mnhs.org/visualresources/>

Anna Arnold & Ethel Ray: Renaissance Women

Hedgeman, Anna Arnold. *The Trumpet Sounds: A Memoir of Negro Leadership*. Holt, Rinehart and Winston, New York, 1964.

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Fredrick McGhee: Our Able Attorney

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Casiville Bullard and Billy Williams: Capitol Pillars

Britts, Maurice W., *Billy Williams: Minnesota's Assistant Governor*. North Star Press, Saint Cloud, Minn., 1977.

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Weber, Laura E. "The House that Bullard Built." *Minnesota History*. 59/2 (Summer 2004).

Resources on Teaching about Diversity and Tolerance

There are many other resources for learning and teaching about race and diversity. Contact your school's curriculum advisor or diversity advisor for additional ideas, or consider the following resources:

Adams, Maurianne, et al. *Teaching for Diversity and Social Justice: A Sourcebook for Teachers and Trainers*. Routledge, 1997.

Banks, James A., and Banks, Cherry A. McGee, eds. *Multicultural Education: Issues and Perspectives*. Wiley Text Books, 2002.

Delpit, Lisa. *Other People's Children: Cultural Conflict in the Classroom*. New Press, 1996.

Derman-Sparks, Louise. *Anti-Bias Curriculum: Tools for Empowering Young Children*. National Association for the Education of Young Children, Washington, D.C, 1989.

Howard, Gary R. *We Can't Teach What We Don't Know: White Teachers, Multiracial Schools*. Teachers College Press, 1999.

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Perry, Theresa et al. *Young, Gifted, and Black: Promoting High Achievement Among African American Students*. Beacon Press, 2004.

"Teaching Tolerance Magazine" and Tolerance.org: <http://www.tolerance.org/>