Discussion Questions

1. What was George Bonga like? What do we know about his background, personality, and strengths?

2. How was Bonga a part of the Ojibwe culture? How was he part of black culture? How was he part of white culture?

3. Why was there less discrimination on the frontier than there was in established cities of the time?

4. Do you think George Bonga’s life was easier or harder than life today? Why?

Think About: Are we more or less concerned about race today than people were in Bonga’s time? Why might that be? Is that generally better or worse?