

Suggested Activities for Black History Month

- A: Learn by Doing
- B: Learn by Watching
- C: Learn by Reading
- D: Learn by Listening

A: Learn by Doing/Action

Urge Congress to advance a committee to study reparations.

<https://www.episcopalchurch.org/ministries/office-government-relations/action-alerts/?vvsrsrc=%2fcampaigns%2f79998%2frespond>

Donate to an Episcopal Historically Black College or University (HBCU): St. Augustine's University in North Carolina (<https://www.st-aug.edu/giving/>) or Voorhees College in South Carolina (<https://www.voorhees.edu/alumni/give-to-voorhees>)

Try exploring a self-guided [Black history driving tour](#) in Alexandria. Learn about local historic sites as you steer through eight different locations.

Walk through "Men of Change: Taking it to the Streets," an outdoor [exhibit](#) dedicated to prominent Black leaders and thinkers, from historic figures (James Baldwin, Bayard Rustin) to modern celebrities (LeBron James, Kendrick Lamar).

B: Learn by Watching

Join the **BBC Book and Movie Club** on February 21st at 7:00 to discuss [Passing](#) (streaming on Netflix), based on the 1929 novel by Nella Larsen. Irene Redfield, a light-skinned black woman living in Harlem, meets a childhood friend, Clare Bellew, by chance at a hotel in New York City. While Irene is African American and is married to a black doctor, Clare "passes" as white and has married a wealthy deeply racist white man from Chicago. As the two women reconnect, they become increasingly involved in each other's lives and insecurities.

"My Name is Pauli Murray" on Amazon Prime. Overlooked by history, Pauli Murray was a legal trailblazer whose ideas influenced the fight for gender equality and civil rights arguments. This is a portrait of impact as a Black lawyer, activist, poet and Episcopal priest who transformed our world. <https://www.amazon.com/My-Name-Pauli-Murray/dp/B09DMPMWCP>

- Holy Post: Race in America. (6-minute video) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AGUwcs9qJXY&feature=youtu.be>
- Holy Post: Race in America, Part 2 (6 minute video). <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u-yun74BJEc>

A biography, Harriet Tubman: Soldier of Freedom <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-rs5I6PkGLU>

C: Learn by Reading

Check out the BBC Collection in the CHC Library! Borrow a book or two.

In August 1963, from the Birmingham jail where he was imprisoned as a participant in nonviolent demonstrations against segregation, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., wrote in longhand the six-page letter which follows. It was his response to a public statement of concern and caution issued by eight white religious leaders of the South.

<https://www.csuchico.edu/iege/assets/documents/susi-letter-from-birmingham-jail.pdf>

Register to receive an email every day in February; a virtual exhibition of 28 works that celebrate the Black legacy in the US. 28daysofblackhistory.com.

"Open Letter to White Friends" from Ed Robinson

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1fxOAONo6akLPYmAKuRZgZpCNrikJS8DR>.

Sign up to receive updates on exhibitions, series, and digital initiatives at the National Museum of African American History & Culture <https://nmaahc.si.edu>

D: Learn by Listening

Listen to Dr. King's "I Have a Dream" speech. <https://www.npr.org/2010/01/18/122701268/i-have-a-dream-speech-in-its-entirety>

Podcast "Code Switch". <https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/code-switch/id1112190608>

It's the fearless conversations about race that you've been waiting for. Hosted by journalists of color, the podcast tackles the subject of race with empathy and humor. It explores how race affects every part of society – from politics and pop culture to history, food, and everything in between. This podcast makes all of us part of the conversation – because we're all part of the story. Code Switch was named Apple Podcasts' first-ever Show of the Year in 2020.

Podcast "1619", an audio series on how slavery transformed America connecting past and present through the oldest form of storytelling.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2020/01/23/podcasts/1619-podcast.html> The 1619 Project can be found here: <https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2019/08/14/magazine/1619-america-slavery.html>

Podcast "On Being with Krista Tippett" 903. *Bryan Stevenson – Love is the Motive*

<https://onbeing.org/programs/bryan-stevenson-love-is-the-motive/> Bryan is the author of "Just Mercy"