

## **2021 Greater Lansing Celebrates Black History Month With the Following Events**

*Please note some events may require advance registration or may be virtual.*

### **Michigan State University offers Black History Month learning resource guides:**

The Michigan State University Office of K-12 Outreach has compiled two resource guides to help students, educators and others engage in learning in recognition of Black History Month. The guides include a summary of easy accessible online resources and a list of recommended Black and Black-authored books. They were compiled thanks to the efforts and insights of outreach specialist Ted Ransaw.

<https://education.msu.edu/news/2021/msu-offers-black-history-month-learning-resource-guides/>

### **MSU Black alumni storytellers:**

A sampling of the many videos, podcasts and articles in the collection that recognize and celebrate the voices and experiences of Black Spartans. From a doctor who led the U.S.'s immunization program in the 1970s to alumni supporting and empowering Black students through mentorship, Spartans continue to make the university proud.

<https://alumni.msu.edu/stay-informed/alumni-stories/celebrating-black-history-month>

### **Michigan State University Athletics celebrate Black History Month:**

Follow along on social media as Spartan athletes share the stories that matter to them.

<https://msuspartans.com/news/2021/2/2/general-michigan-state-athletics-celebrates-black-history-month.aspx>

### **WKAR Public Media Michigan State University**

Get engaged with airplay of many classical composers of the Black Diaspora via WKAR Classical radio, a celebration and reflection. WKAR TV and radio will be airing content recognizing pivotal moments in Black history and a new lineup of films and stories PLUS turning a lens on you to celebrate the moments, memories and people in Black history that inspire you.

<https://www.wkar.org/term/black-history-month?page=1>

### **Lansing Community College Black History Awareness**

[https://www.lcc.edu/diversity/black\\_history\\_awareness/index.html](https://www.lcc.edu/diversity/black_history_awareness/index.html)

February 11, 2021 6-7 p.m.

Pittsburgh, PA, The Bonds of Family and Legacy (online event)

**Hosted by Senator John Heinz History Center In Association with Smithsonian Institution (Pittsburgh, PA) Hosted by Senator John Heinz History Center In Association with Smithsonian Institution (Pittsburgh, PA)**

In partnership with the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center, this program will explore the Black family, a topic of study in many disciplines, including history, literature, the visual arts, social policy, and the culture of the culinary arts.

<https://www.lcc.edu/calendar/index.php?eID=3032>

### **February 16, 2021 6 p.m.**

LCC's Black History Awareness Committee Presents | Malcolm X Symposium

Join the Black History Committee and the LCC community for this signature event to celebrate Black History Month. The 2021 theme is: THE BLACK FAMILY: REPRESENTATION, IDENTITY, AND DIVERSITY

<https://www.lcc.edu/calendar/index.php?eID=3013>

### **February 18th 2021 1 p.m. (Online Event)**

LCC's Courageous Conversations – Dr. Tonya Bailey - Racial Healing Part II

This is a follow up to the racial healing topic discussed during racial healing week at LCC in January. You do not need to have attended the first one to find value in joining us for Part II.

<https://www.lcc.edu/calendar/index.php?eID=3023>

### **February 22, 2021 4 p.m.**

LCC's We Shall Overcome: Raising Our Voices Together (Virtual Event)

We Shall Overcome is a multi-genre arts and humanities program exploring the main theme of this classic protest song as we as individuals and society work to overcome many enormous challenges. A variety of art forms and discussions will be used. The virtual event will open and close with choirs performing two different versions of the song "We Shall Overcome".

Additionally, theatre students will perform famous speeches of civil rights activists, Community-Generated Poetry will be presented that is written around this theme, history students will create responses in spoken and video essays, and interview bites will feature members of the LCC community. The event will be streamed on LCC Performing Arts Facebook page.

<https://www.lcc.edu/calendar/index.php?eID=3020>

## **Capital Area District Libraries**

<https://cadl.kanopy.com/category/40898>

### **February 11, 2021 6:30-7:30 p.m.**

Black History Month Virtual Event: Meet Award-winning Author Beverly Jenkins (Adults)

Join us online to meet this popular and distinguished writer of historical, romantic, African American and contemporary fiction. Jenkins has won a Michigan Library Association Author of the Year Award, an NAACP Image Award nomination, and the Romance Writers of America Lifetime Achievement Award. A TV series based on her ten book Bring on the Blessings series is in production by Al Roker Entertainment. \*Registration is required to receive an email link to the Microsoft Teams meeting. Call 517-367-6312 or click on "Register."

<https://cadl.evanced.info/signup/eventdetails?eventid=62151&lib=999>

**February 12, 2021**

CADL CAST Black History Month Podcast: Color Adjustment Revisited (Adults & Teens)

Thirty years ago, Marlon Riggs' documentary Color Adjustment scrutinized television's racial myths and stereotypes. Have things gotten better? Dr. Julian C. Chambliss from Michigan State University answers that question in a special episode of the CADL CAST Podcast, with Lansing Township Supervisor Diontrae Hayes as our guest host. The episode is available on demand all month long at Color Adjustment Podcast.

<https://www.cadl.org/event/412326>

**February 12, 2021**

Online Trivia Challenge--Black History Month (Teens & Adults)

Get together with other CADL fans to test your knowledge and compete for glory and prizes! Tonight's topic is Black History Month. \*Registration required; the first 50 to register and provide their email address will receive a link to the Microsoft Teams event.

<https://cadl.evanced.info/signup/eventdetails?eventid=62144&lib=999>

**February 14, 2021 2-2:30 p.m.**

Black History Month Virtual Storytime Series (Ages up to 6)

Celebrate African-American and African culture through a series of virtual preschool storytimes in February. Special guests and performances, too! This episode features CADL South Lansing's Storytime Team. Available on our Facebook page (you do not need an account to view these events).

<https://www.cadl.org/event/411871>

**February 18, 2021 4-5 p.m.**

Online Teen Genre Club (Ages 13-18)

Meet online each month to talk about a different genre. Today's topic is Black Authors. You will need a working webcam. \*Registration required at 517-694-9351, or click on "Register." After registering you will receive a link to the event.

<https://www.cadl.org/event/411625>

**February 20, 2021 11-11:30 a.m.**

Black History Month Virtual Storytime with Storyteller Miz Rosie (Ages up to 6)

Celebrate African-American and African culture through a series of virtual preschool storytimes in February. Special guests and performances, too! This episode features folktales with Storyteller Miz Rosie. Available on our Facebook page (you do not need an account to view these events).

<https://www.cadl.org/event/411872>

**February 24, 2021 4-5 p.m.**

Online Tween Genre Club (Ages 9-12)

Meet online each month to talk about a different genre. Today's topic is Black Authors. You will need a working webcam. \*Registration required at 517-694-9351, or click on "Register." You will be emailed a link to join the event.

<https://www.cadl.org/event/411623>

**February 25, 2021 6:30-7 p.m.**

Black History Month Virtual Storytime Series (Ages up to 6)

Celebrate African-American and African culture through a series of virtual preschool storytimes in February. Special guests and performances, too! This episode features CADL South Lansing's storytime team. Available on our Facebook page (you do not need an account to view these events).

<https://www.cadl.org/event/411873>

### **February 27, 2021**

CADL CAST Black History Month Podcast: Color Adjustment Revisited (Adults & Teens)

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<https://www.cadl.org/event/412327>

## **East Lansing Public Library**

### **February 18, 2021 6-7 p.m.**

Breed & Bootleg: Legends of Flint Rap Music (Online Event)

Join us for a virtual screening of the film Breed & Bootleg: The History and Future of Flint Rap Music.

[https://elpl.bibliocommons.com/events/600c9799d5c1982300ee7365?\\_ga=2.226969690.616426482.1612885866-1404448435.1612885866#](https://elpl.bibliocommons.com/events/600c9799d5c1982300ee7365?_ga=2.226969690.616426482.1612885866-1404448435.1612885866#)

### **February 19, 2021 10:30-11 a.m.**

Storytime Live – Celebration of Black History Month (birth to 5

Join Ms. Natalie and Ms. Caitlyn over on our Facebook page for an online storytime every Friday at 10:30 am! We will wave hello, read a book and sing some songs. In the month of February, we will be reading books featuring black protagonists or historical figures in celebration of Black History Month. We hope to "see" you there!

### **February 21, 2021 2-2:30 p.m.**

Jayden Page Violin Concert (Online Event)

Violinist and East Lansing High School junior Jayden will be performing a variety of classical selections from the Suzuki Method.

[https://elpl.bibliocommons.com/events/600f3528b1bd303a009b1634?\\_ga=2.197724904.616426482.1612885866-1404448435.1612885866](https://elpl.bibliocommons.com/events/600f3528b1bd303a009b1634?_ga=2.197724904.616426482.1612885866-1404448435.1612885866)

### **February 25, 2021 6-7 p.m.**

Film Club (Virtual)

On Thursday, Feb 25th at 6pm we'll talk about the film, Agents of Change.

[https://elpl.bibliocommons.com/events/600c875b9b5fd03900d47a9e?\\_ga=2.169231334.616426482.1612885866-1404448435.1612885866](https://elpl.bibliocommons.com/events/600c875b9b5fd03900d47a9e?_ga=2.169231334.616426482.1612885866-1404448435.1612885866)

### **February 26, 2021 10:30-11 a.m.**

Storytime Live – Celebration of Black History Month

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**February 28, 2021 2-3:30 p.m.**

Deeper Than the Skin – Reggie Harris and Greg Greenway

This is “Deeper Than the Skin”, a virtual concert in celebration of Black History Month featuring Reggie Harris and Greg Greenway.

[https://epl.bibliocommons.com/events/600f3c4bb1bd303a009b1800?\\_ga=2.62990568.616426482.1612885866-1404448435.1612885866](https://epl.bibliocommons.com/events/600f3c4bb1bd303a009b1800?_ga=2.62990568.616426482.1612885866-1404448435.1612885866)