

# SUGGESTED CONTENT TO READ/WATCH/LISTEN TO BEFORE MAIN STREET'S CONVERSATIONS MATTER SERIES

Prior to the first virtual session, we are offering an array of suggested educational offerings, including resources that are accessible to people of all abilities and those with diverse learning styles. We hope all participants will read or view one or more of the resources before the series starts – and continue to engage with the materials during and after the series.

To begin with, we hope you will familiarize yourself with Harriet Tubman's story as a springboard to the topics we will cover in our sessions. The sessions will not focus on her life, but we will use her life as a starting point to discuss Black history in Maryland, race and disability and social action. Many may not know that, as a Black Marylander with disabling health issues resulting from a brain injury, Harriet Tubman exemplifies the themes that we will cover.

See below our suggested resources on Harriet Tubman and other topics connected with our series. **Items in blue are hyperlinks.** 

## **RESOURCES ON HARRIET TUBMAN**

- She Came to Slay: The Life and Times of Harriet Tubman by Erica Armstrong Dunbar
- <u>Harriet Tubman: The Road to Freedom</u> by Catherine Clinton
- Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad Byway website
- <u>Harriet Tubman: Soldier of Freedom</u> video by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources
- Harriet: The Movie
- Harriet Tubman Visitor Center MD Parks and Recreation
- Who Was Harriet Tubman? By Yona Zeldis McDonough
- Harriet Tubman poem by Eloise Greenfield

# MORE RESOURCES FOR A DEEPER DIVE IN BLACK HISTORY

# WEBSITES AND RESOURCES FOR LOCAL HISTORY

Montgomery History, School Segregation: <u>The Decree Had Been Handed Down</u>

- African American History in Montgomery County, Maryland
  - o The Montgomery County Story
  - o Rockville African American Walking Tour
- Discover Maryland's African American History
- Black Broadway: Where DC's Cultural Renaissance was Born

#### **DOCUMENTARIES & MOVIES**

- Thirteenth: The Movie
- Black history movies that tackle racism from Common Sense Media
- Ten "must watch" Black history documentaries compiled by PBS
- Netflix's Black Lives Matter list of documentaries, series and films that address racial injustice and the Black experience in America

#### **VIDEOS**

Paths to the Present: Montgomery County Stories

# **BOOKS**

- So Want to Talk About Race by Ijeoma Oluo
- Let's Talk About Race by Julius Lester
- More Courageous Conversations about Race by Glenn E. Singleton
- The Underground Railroad: A Novel by Colson Whitehead
- Old West Baltimore by Philip J. Merrill

## **BLOGS**

- <u>"Post Trauma Slave Syndrome"</u> by Dr. Joy DeGruy
- Blog post link by Radiance Talley, about how being an ally can help bring hope.

# **POETRY**

- Citizen by Claudia Rankine
- Words of Black Power poem by Island Oates, Main Street member



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