

Title	Author	Medium	Time Investment	Recommended by	Description	Comments (include name)
<i>Race: The Power of an Illusion</i>	PBS	Documentary	Three 1-hour long episodes	Lauren Chambers	Rigorous historical telling of race in America since the colonial era. Available for streaming on Vimeo - \$5 to rent, but worth it: https://vimeo.com/ondemand/race	
<u>A Case for Reparations</u>	Ta-Nehisi Coates	Long-form Journalism	~60 page read	Lauren Chambers	Comprehensive but accessible telling of the history of discriminatory housing, redlining, & generational wealth.	(Lin) really eye-opening story of recent history
<i>Family Properties: How the Struggle Over Race and Real Estate Transformed Chicago and Urban America</i>	Beryl Satter	Book	383 page read (+8)	Alicia Hofler	Written by daughter of an apartment building owner who tried to raise awareness of the inequities African Americans faced in the Chicago real estate market (more on story above). Also describes the efforts of the African American community to organize and fight the long term effects of redlining.	
<i>Lose Your Mother</i>	Saidiya Hartman	Book	~280 page read	Lauren Chambers	Amazing work exploring the ties of Black America to the West African "Slave Coast" through a combination of memoir, historical non-fiction, and speculative fiction.	
<i>Faces at the Bottom of the Well</i>	Derrick Bell	Book	~250 page read	Lauren Chambers	Paradigm-shifting collection of narrative short stories that use speculative fiction to raise fundamental questions about Blackness and racism in the United States.	
<i>Living Together / Living Apart</i>	CNU	Interactive Website	5 - 30 minutes	Lauren Chambers	Compilation of oral histories, photography, audio, and digital mapping exploring redlining and segregation in Hampton Roads. https://www.livingtogetherlivingapart.com/	(Lin) Amazing local resource. CNU Prof could be a great speaker for Forum or other programs
<i>Ain't I A Woman: Black Women and Feminism</i>	bell hooks	Book	~220 page read	Lauren Chambers	A foundational, if more academic, text that explores the Black female experience specifically, including the devaluation of black womanhood, racism among feminists, and more.	
<i>Harvest of Empire: A History of Latinos in America</i>	Juan Gonzalez	Documentary	1h30m watch	Lauren Chambers	Outlines the effects of U.S. imperialism in Latin America, with implications for the current state of immigration along our Southern border.	
<i>13th</i>	Ava Duvernay	Documentary	1h40m watch	Lauren Chambers	Netflix film about the effective continuation of slavery in the U.S. since emancipation through convict labor and mass incarceration.	
<i>Adoptive Couple v. Baby Girl</i>	WNYC Studios	Podcast	~40 minute listen	Lauren Chambers	Through the example of one Supreme Court case, reveals the decades-long practice of Native American children being forcibly taken from their families by the federal government.	
<i>Kindred</i>	Octavia Butler	Book	~260 page read	Lauren Chambers	Novel that uses time-travel to explore the lasting effects of slavery on modern America.	(Lin) Very readable fiction, but thought provoking.
<i>White Fragility</i>	Robin Deangelo	Book	~150 page read	Lin Chambers, Andrew Millard, UUA	Book from Beacon Press that brings into view some of the hidden assumptions we hold	(Lin) Valuable insights. I have a copy I am happy to share if anyone wants to borrow.
<i>Did you wonder who fired the gun?</i>	Travis Wilkerson	2017 Documentary	1h30 m watch	Parker Stokes	A documentary murder mystery about the filmmaker's family, set in lower Alabama.	
<i>Do the Right Thing</i>	Spike Lee	1989 Comedy, Drama	2 h watch	Parker Stokes	On the hottest day of the year on a street in the Bedford-Stuyvesant section of Brooklyn, everyone's hate and bigotry smolders and builds until it explodes into violence.	
<i>Get Out</i>	Jordan Peele	2017 Horror/thriller	1h44 m watch	Parker Stokes		
<i>Hale County This Morning</i>	RaMell Ross	2018 Documentary	1h16 m watch	Parker Stokes	Intimate and personal moments from the lives of the black community of Hale County, Alabama, forming an emotive impression of the historic South and consequences of racism while upholding the beauty of life.	(Lucy) This was a beautiful and moving work of art.
<i>The Hate U Give</i>	George Tillman, Jr	2018 Drama	2h13 m watch	Parker Stokes	Starr Carter is constantly switching between two worlds -- the poor, mostly black neighborhood where she lives and the wealthy, mostly white prep school that she attends. The uneasy balance between these worlds is soon shattered when she witnesses the fatal shooting of her childhood best friend	

<i>If Beal St. Could Talk</i>	Barry Jenkins	2018 Romance/Drama	~2h watch	Parker Stokes	In early 1970s Harlem, daughter and wife-to-be Tish vividly recalls the passion, respect and trust that have connected her and her artist fiancé Alonzo Hunt, who goes by the nickname Fonny. Friends since childhood, the devoted couple dream of a future together, but their plans are derailed when Fonny is arrested for a crime he did not commit.
	Toni Morrison, Maya Angelou, Zora Neale Hurston	Writings	Read - various lengths	Mary Pirosko	
<i>Dear White People</i>		Movie and Netflix series		Alicia Hofler	Series - 24 hours in a college day, told from various perspectives. Lots of drugs and sex, so not suitable for some. satirical
<i>Thurgood Marshall: American Revolutionary</i>	Juan Williams	Book	412 page read (+39 pages of endnotes, bibliography, etc.)	Alicia Hofler	Biography of Thurgood Marshall from his childhood in Baltimore to his death. His legal work was integral to the civil rights movement leading him to argue a record number of cases before the Supreme Court (more than any lawyer in history inside and outside the fight for civil rights). As a Supreme Court Justice, his decisions were informed by his experiences with racism and fighting for civil rights. He was a truly inspirational man.
<i>Root and Branch: Charles Hamilton Houston, Thurgood Marshall, and the Struggle to End Segregation</i>	Rawn James, Jr.	Book	235 page read (+26 pages of endnotes)	Alicia Hofler	History of the influence of Howard University's Law School on the fight for civil rights. Howard University's Law School transformed from a night school program to a full time program under Charles Hamilton Houston. Houston felt that to fight segregation effectively and make inroads in civil rights, the African American community needed to educate and produce its own lawyers to lead the fight. He and the first few classes of full time students developed the roadmap that he and the graduates of the program followed over decades to dismantle segregation.
<i>The Road to Healing: A Civil Rights Reparations Story in Prince Edward County, Virginia</i>	Ken Woodley	Book	224 pages total (including endnotes, foreword from Mark Warner and afterword from Tim Kaine)	Alicia Hofler	In reaction to the Brown vs. the Board of Education decision, Prince Edward County, Virginia closed its schools from 1959 to 1964. Ken Woodley documents this history and its long term effects on the students denied education during that time. This forms the background for the work he and the descendants of those students did to get Prince Edward County to acknowledge this wrong and apologize for closing the schools. They also made the case to the Commonwealth of Virginia for reparations for these students and won!
<i>Lies My Teacher Told Me: Everything Your American History Textbook Got Wrong</i>	James W. Loewen	Book	362 page read (+74 pages of endnotes)	Alicia Hofler	Far more important than learning how textbooks are developed and adopted, this book points out the historical inaccuracies (and omissions) that have been and continue to be taught (and omitted) in schools and how these narratives skew our beliefs and contribute to institutional racism and biases. It also makes the point that the word choices in these retellings (the language, for example "pilgrim" versus "savage", "discover" versus "invade", etc.) are important, influence our interpretations of the events, and carry over into the way we perceive our present world.
<i>The Color of Law</i>	Richard Rothstein	Book	246 page read	Meg Glenn-Albiez	How the federal government promoted segregation policies

This list of resources was prepared by Lauren Chambers for her presentation to the Forum.