

Date 2nd Friday	<h2 style="text-align: center;">2022 Film Series</h2> <p style="text-align: center;">6:00-8:30 pm</p>	Date Usually Last Thur	<h2 style="text-align: center;">2022 Book Series</h2> <p style="text-align: center;">6:00-7:30 pm</p>
Jan 14 91 mi	Howard Zinn: A People's History of US: Zinn talks about those who have no voice in the official history of the United States: slaves, Indians, textile workers, union men.	Jan 27 Preface- p 246	1619 Project-A New Origin Story by Nikole Hannah-Jones and multiple other contributors: Reframes our understanding of American history by placing slavery and its continuing legacy at the center of our national narrative.
Feb 11 91 min	For Ahkeem: Challenges facing African-American teenagers: Intimate coming of age story illuminates challenges that many black teenagers face in America today and witnesses the strength resilience and determination it takes to survive.	Feb 24 P 249- 480	1619 Project-A New Origin Story by Nikole Hannah-Jones and multiple other contributors: Weaves together eighteen essays that explore the legacy of slavery in present-day America with thirty-six poems and works of fiction that illuminate key moments of oppression that reaches into every part of American society from politics, music, capitalism, religion etc.
Mar 11 114 min	Freedom Summer: Over 10 memorable weeks, more than 700 student volunteers joined with organizers and local African Americans in a historic effort to shatter foundations of white supremacy in Mississippi.	Mar 31	Chasing Me to My Grave: An Artist's Memoir of the Jim Crow South by Winfred Rembert Grew up in Georgia & Joined Civil Rights Movement as a teen-ager and was arrested after fleeing a demonstration & who at age of fifty-one started drawing & painting scenes from his youth of Civil Rights Movement & chain gangs using leather tooling skills he learned in prison.
Apr 8 91 min	Black Boys: Video Project- inter-generational exploration, strives for insight to black identity and opportunity. Several Black men hold up the beauty of a healthy relationship with a caring adult. The power of love can serve as a healer for a variety of trauma	Apr 28	Threading My Prayer Rug: One Woman's Journey from Pakistani Muslim to American Muslim by Sebeeha Rehman: Beginning with a moving account of her arranged marriage, it offers the refreshing view of an American life through Muslim eyes. Filled with humor & hope & balances heritage and overcomes religious barriers.
May 13 50 min	What's Race Got to do with it? Social Disparities & Student Success: Despite years of diversity programs, campuses remain hamstrung in their efforts to become more welcoming of all.	May 26	Across That Bridge: A Vision for Change and the Future of America by John Lewis: Draws from his experience as a prominent leader of the Civil Rights Movement to offer timeless wisdom for anyone interested in inspiring real change toward a freer more peaceful society.
June 10 32 min	Islam, Violence and Islamophobia: Looks at Islam and violence from different perspectives. Sheds light on the negative stereotypes common to discriminate against Muslims.	June 30	The Undocumented American: Karla Cornejo Villavicencio was on DACA when she decided to write about being undocumented using her own name. She embarked on a trip across the country telling DACA stories.
July 8 81 min	Black in Minneapolis A modern-day Malcolm X story, told through the eyes of a Black man who witnesses his brother's murder by police during a routine traffic stop by generating a movement of Black people to fight against systemic oppression through community organizing, political policy, and force.	July 28	Purpose of Power: How We Come Together When We Fall Apart by Alicia Garza: This book is About Black Lives Matter and how it started with a "love letter to Black people" on Facebook. Garza had spent the better part of two decades learning and unlearning hard lessons about organizing. She reflects on how making room amongst the woke for those who are still awakening can inspire and activate more people to fight for the world we all deserve.
Aug 12 94 min	I Am Not Your Negro: Based on James Baldwin's uncompleted manuscript of his personal account of the lives & assassination of three of his close friends-Medgar Evers, Malcolm X and MLK & connects the past to the present of Black Lives Matter.	Aug 25	Emperor Has No Clothes: Teaching About Race and Racism to People Who Don't Want to Know by Tema Okum who speaks from extensive experience teaching about race and racism in classroom and community settings and from theory and practice of a wide range of educators, activists, and researchers committed to social justice.
Sept 9 78 min	Pine Ridge- The Lives and Dreams of Today's Native American Youth: filmed on the Native American reservation in South Dakota where Americans with native blood live a life in the middle-yet outside of American society	Sept 29	Semitism: Being Jewish American in Age of Trump by Jonathan Weisman: Shows how hatred can slowly chew away at the moral fabric of society. Weisman has written a manifesto that outlines the dangers of marginalizing all minority groups This is more than a personal response to bigotry he experienced because of his Jewishness. It is a book for all of us.
Oct 14 82 min	Antisemitism in Four Mutations: Antisemitism in the US & Europe is worsening in ways not seen since the 30s, mutating across cultures, borders and ideologies & explores infectious	Oct 27	The Vanishing Half by Brett Bennett: Identical twin sisters grow up in a southern Black town. Years later, one sister lives with her Black daughter in the same southern town & the other secretly passes for white. Separated by so many lies, fates of the twins remain intertwined.
Nov 11 59 min	Slaying the Dragon-Media Stereotypes of Asian & Asian American Women: A comprehensive look at media stereotypes of Asian & Asian American women.	Nov 17	Disintegration: The Splintering of Black America by Eugene Robinson: Instead of one Black America, now there are four : 1.Middle-class 2. Abandoned 3.Enormous wealth 4. Mixed race & recent black immigrants. This all makes us wonder what "Black" is even supposed to mean.
Dec 9 57 min	Alice's Ordinary People: The Chicago Freedom Movement: Alice and her husband marched with MLK and they joined others to form Operation Breadbasket to create jobs for African-Americans.	Dec 29	An Inconvenient Minority by Kenny XU: Book chronicles the political and economic repression of Asians and renaissance of a long ignored racial identity group and how they are central to reversing America's cultural decline and preserving the dynamism of the free world.



“Commit yourself to
the noble struggle for equal rights.
You will make a greater person of yourself,
a greater nation of your country,
and a finer world to live in.”

Martin Luther King, JR.

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and through the Eliminate Racism 815 Newsletter.

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