

2020 Film and Book Series

Date 1 st Friday	Film 7:00 pm	Date Usually Last Thur	Book 6:00-7:45 pm
Jan 3, 2020	"White Fragility: Why It's So Hard for White People to Talk about Racism" Author Robin DiAngelo discusses how white people can develop their capacity to engage more constructively across race.	Jan 30, 2020	How to Be an Antiracist by Ibram X Kendi: Considers most basic concepts to visionary possibilities that will help readers see all forms of racism clearly, understand their poisonous consequences and work to oppose them in our systems and in ourselves. "The Most courageous book to date on the problem of race in the Western mind." New York Times
Feb 7, 2020	"Legally Speaking" : Author Michelle Alexander a long-time civil rights advocate speaks about her book, <u>The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness.</u>	Feb 27, 2020	Dear Church: A Love Letter from a Black Preacher to the Whitest Denomination in the US by Lenny Duncan: Rejects the narrative of church decline and calls everyone to the front lines of the church's renewal through racial equality and justice.
Mar 6, 2020	"Which Way Home" is a feature documentary that follows unaccompanied child migrants on their journey through Mexico as they try to reach the USA.	Mar 26, 2020	Heads of the Colored People- Stories by Nafissa Thompson-Spires: Grapples with race, identity politics and the contemporary middle class through captivating stories that plunge headfirst into the lives of utterly original characters.
April 3, 2020	"White Rage" : Carol Anderson explains how our democracy has been undermined, our Constitution warped, our ability to compete economically reduced.	Apr 30, 2020	Dog Whistle Politics by Ian Haney Lopez: As Americans, we have to open our minds, open our eyes and put this country to work for all Americans. There is enough to go around. "This book should be required reading for seniors in high school."
May 1, 2020	"Antisemitism Today" - Holocaust Memorial Museum "Behind the lies of Holocaust Denial" - Ted Talk "Denial: I Am Not a Racist" -You Tube These short clips show how violent antisemitism and hatred did not end with the Holocaust and are on the rise and a threat to society today.	May 28, 2020	Dying of Whiteness by Jonathan Metzl: A physician reveals how backlash policies have mortal consequences for all of us. Interviewing a wide range of everyday Americans, he examines cuts to school and social services. He shows how these policies cost deaths by gun suicide, rising dropout rates, and falling life expectancy. Metzl argues we must reject the racial hierarchies that promise to help but in fact lead to our nation's demise. Named one of the most anticipated books of 2019 by Esquire and the Boston Globe.
June 5, 2020	"When They See Us" : Ava DuVernay-Episode 1 Introduces the story of the Central Park Five in New York City in 1989 who were falsely accused, convicted and imprisoned for a rape they did not commit.	June 25, 2020	Unconscious Bias in Schools: A Developmental Approach to Exploring Race and Racism by Benson & Fiarman: "If unconscious racial bias is overlooked, improvement efforts may never achieve their highest potential." Educators must be aware of the racialized context in which we live.
July 3, 2020	"Same God" : In 2016, Dr. Larycia Hawkins, a black female professor at a small Christian College in Illinois, wore a hijab to show solidarity with Muslim women. She lost her job! Was this about race, Islamophobia or both?	July 30, 2020	Longing: Stories of Racial Healing by Phyllis & Gene Unterschuetz: True stories from the journey of one white couple toward understanding their hidden fears, prejudices, and ultimate connection to African-Americans. The book makes the case that both African-Americans and whites need each other & can ultimately connect through open-mindedness.
Aug 7, 2020	Living Undocumented- Episode 1: Follows stories of people who currently reside in US without legal status.	Aug 27, 2020	Racing To Justice by John A. Powell: Challenges us to replace attitudes and institutions that perpetuate social suffering with those that foster relationships.
Sept 4, 2020	Green Book: Film is inspired by true story of a tour of the Deep South by African American classical and jazz pianist and an Italian-American who served as his driver and bodyguard. (This will be shown at Nordlof)	Sept 24, 2020	The Islamophobia Industry by Nathan Lean (2 nd Edition): An essential book for anyone who wants to understand the rationale and objectives behind those who foster racism against Muslims. This book provides an account of the campaign to promote fear and hatred of Muslims in the United States and Europe.
Oct 2, 2020	True Colors by Diane Sawyer, The Promise: A lesson in White Privilege by Phyllis Unterschuetz * Every Child Needs a Champion by Rita Pierson: 3 short clips about racism.	Oct 29, 2020	Hivemind by Sarah Rose Cavanagh: Our views of the world are shaped by the stories told by our self-selected communities. What happens when our tribes merely confirm our world view, rather than expand it?
Nov 6, 2020	New World Arising: Native Americans tap ten thousand years of beliefs and traditions to fight the forces of conquest.	Nov 19, 2020	African American & Latinx History of America by Paul Ortiz: Shows how placing African American, Latinx, and Indigenous voices front and center transforms US history into one of the working class organizing against imperialism.
Dec 4, 2020	"In Whose Honor" takes a critical look at the practice of using American Indian names and images as mascots in sports.	Dec 17, 2020	The Negro in Illinois: WPA Papers by Brian Dolinar: A major document of African American participation in the struggles of the Depression created by a division of the Illinois Writers' Project, one of President Roosevelt's WPA Programs.

Interfaith Devotions

Before each film at the Baha'i Center, from 6:00-6:30 pm you are invited to participate in Interfaith Devotions focused on improving racial unity in Rockford, Illinois. Everyone is welcome and you are free to bring your own favorite prayer, poem or song to share.

“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.

Questions? Contact annrundall@gmail.com

Learning about Racism

for a Change

2020

Book Discussion 6:00-7:45pm

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85636904397>

Usually last Thursday of each month

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Film & Discussion 7:00 pm

Join Zoom Meeting

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The First Friday of each month

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