## For Families, Children and Teens

Celebrate the National African American Read-In Saturdays, February 5, 12, 19 & 26 from 11 a.m. to noon via Zoom



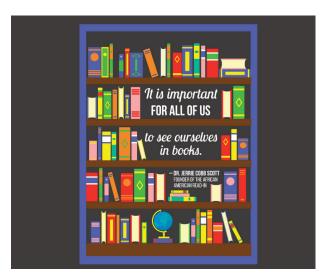
Join us for this groundbreaking effort to encourage communities to come together to read books about the African American experience. Dr. Tamu Lucero, Superintendent of Stamford Public Schools, and members of the Stamford Board of Education will lead these weekly storytimes. All ages welcome.

February 5 – Jennienne Burke with Jaydee Cruz

February 12 – Dr. Tamu Lucero with Addis and Kia King

February 19 – Andy George

February 26 - Fritz G. Chery



### The Ferguson Library

Stamford's Public Library 203 964-1000

#### Main Library, DiMattia Building

One Public Library Plaza,
Stamford, CT 06904
203 964-1000
Monday through Thursday 10 to 8
Friday 10 to 6
Saturday 10 to 5
Sunday 1 to 5

#### **Harry Bennett Branch**

115 Vine Road 06905 203 351-8291 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 10 to 6 Wednesday 10 to 7 Saturday 10 to 5

#### South End Branch

34 Woodland Avenue 06902 203 351-8280 Monday through Thursday 10 to 5:30 Saturday 10 to 2

#### Weed Memorial & Hollander Branch

1143 Hope Street 06907 203 351-8285 Monday & Thursday 10 to 6 Tuesday 12 to 7 Saturday 10 to 5

#### **Bookmobile**

Check our online calendar at https://www.fergusonlibrary.org/locations-hours/bookmobile

The Friends Book Shops at the Ferguson Library

#### **Main Library**

Monday through Thursday 11 to 6 Friday & Saturday 11 to 5 Sunday 1 to 5

#### **Harry Bennett Branch**

Monday through Saturday 10 to 5

#### **Passport Services**

Appointments take precedence and are recommended. For more information or to make an appointment, call 203 351-8298.

#### **Main Library Passport Office**

Monday through Thursday 10 to 7 Friday 10 to 5 Saturday 10 to 4



# BLACK HISTORY MONTH



The Ferguson Library Stamford, CT

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## Join us for in-person and virtual programs celebrating Black History Month.

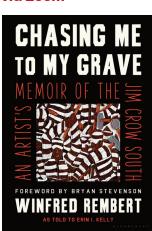
For programs that require registration, visit fergusonlibrary.org/events.

For virtual programs on Zoom, login details will be provided to registrants in the confirmation email.

For virtual programs that do not require registration, simply join the Zoom meeting at the scheduled time. Zoom meeting details can be found on our online calendar at fergusonlibrary.org/events at the scheduled time. (Also available @ferglibraryyouth.)

## **For Adults**

\* Black History Month Kick-Off Event: The Life and Art of Winfred Rembert Sunday, February 6 from 3 to 4:30 p.m. via Zoom



A conversation between Erin Kelly, who co-wrote the memoir Chasing Me to My Grave: An Artist's Memoir of the Jim Crow South by the late Winfred Rembert, and Rembert's wife and daughter, Patsy and Lillian Rembert. This book, published

in September 2021, was named one of the Best Books of 2021 by *NPR*, *Publishers Weekly* and *BookPage*. Registration required.





Winfred Rembert (1945-2021) was an artist from Cuthbert, Georgia, who lived and worked in New Haven. His artwork, painted on carved and tooled leather, displays memories of his youth in the Jim Crow South. His artistic vision calls forth vivid scenes from Georgia's cotton fields and colorful characters from the juke joints and pool halls of Cuthbert. They also reveal his encounters with racial and police violence in the aftermath of a civil rights protest, and the seven years he spent on Georgia chain gangs. Rembert's paintings, often compared to the work of Jacob Lawrence, Romare Bearden and Horace Pippin, have been exhibited around the country, including the Hudson River Museum. the Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts, the Yale Art Gallery, and the Adelson Galleries in New York, and have been featured in *The New York* Times, Boston Globe, Huffington Post, Vanity Fair and Hyperallergic.

Rembert was honored by Bryan Stevenson's Equal Justice Initiative in 2015, and in 2016 received a United States Artists Barr Fellowship.

Rembert is the subject of two award-winning documentaries: *All of Me: The Life and Times of Winfred Rembert*, and *Ashes to Ashes*, about the legacy of lynching in America.

## \*Art Opening:

Black Health and Wellness Matters Saturday, February 12 from 2 to 5 p.m. Main Library, Dudley N. Williams, Jr. Auditorium

Opening celebration with music, art and poetry. Art exhibit on view through March 4. (image by curating and teaching artist Jean Benoit)







## \*Author Talk: DaMaris Hill Thursday, February 24 at 7 p.m. via Zoom

Author DaMaris Hill talks about her new book of narrative in verse, *Breath Better Spent: Living Black Girlhood*, a personal and historical look at the experience of Black girlhood. Registration required.

South End Branch African & African American Authors Book Discussion Monday, February 28 from 7 to 9 p.m. via Zoom

An African American
Cookbook: Exploring Black
History and Culture Through
Traditional Food by Phoebe
Bailey. Guest speaker: Rev.
Edward Bailey, senior pastor
of Bethel AME Church,
Lancaster, PA.

