

## **A BOOKISH AFFAIR'S ANTIRACIST RESOURCE LIST**

A Bookish Affair, Lake Oswego Public Library's romance book club, meets monthly to discuss the diverse, inclusive world of romance novels. This list was compiled by Shannon (ssedell@lakeoswego.city) and Shandy (sdickinson@lakeoswego.city).

### **The More You Know**

[Statement by the Black Caucus of the American Library Association](#)

[75 Things White People Can Do For Racial Justice](#)

[Anti-racism resources](#)

[Things you can do to support the Black community and anti-racist efforts \(Portland Mercury\)](#)

[Figure Out How To Help, Portland \(Portland Monthly\)](#)

[If You're Saying To Yourself, "Black Lives Matter, But What Can I Do?" Here's the Answer \(Shondaland\)](#)

[Oregon Historical Society Blog](#)

### **Antiracism and Social Justice in Romance**

[15 Must-Read Black-Authored Historical Romance Novels of the Last 25 Years \(Book Riot\)](#)

[Black Romance Novels Matter Too \(Shondaland\)](#)

[73 Black Romance Novels Published in 2019 That You Should Read in 2020 \(The Sistah Girl Next Door\)](#)

[WOC In Romance](#)

[Inclusive Romance Project](#)

[POC Queer Romance Authors](#)

[Rebel Carter: Why I Write Historical Romance -- My Ancestors Deserved Better](#)

[The Ripped Bodice: State of Racial Diversity in Romance Publishing](#)

[Decades: A Journey of African American Romance](#)

[Romances Celebrating Black Love \(Bawdy Bookworms\)](#)

[#BlackRomanceMatters \(Lit-erally Black\)](#)

[RWA Announces The Vivian -- and Cans the RITAs](#)

[Queer Romance Novels About Social Justice \(Book Riot\)](#)

### **Antiracist Books To Read:**

*Citizen: An American Lyric* by Claudia Rankine

*Good Talk: A Memoir in Conversations* by Mira Jacob

*Hood Feminism: Notes from the Women That A Movement Forgot* by Mikki Kendall

*How To Be An Antiracist* by Ibram X. Kendi

*Just Mercy: A Story of Justice and Redemption* by Bryan Stevenson

*Me and White Supremacy: Combat Racism, Change the World, and Become A Good Ancestor*  
by Layla F. Saad

*So You Want To Talk About Race* by Ijeoma Oluo

*Stamped From the Beginning: The Definitive History of Racist Ideas in America* by Ibram X. Kendi

*Stamped: Racism, Antiracism, and You: A Remix* by Jason Reynolds and Ibram X. Kendi

*Tears We Cannot Stop: A Sermon to White America* by Michael Eric Dyson

*The Color of Law: A Forgotten History of How Our Government Segregated America* by Richard Rothstein

*The Crunk Feminist Collection*, edited by Brittney C. Cooper, Susana M. Morris, & Robin M. Boylorn

*The Half Has Never Been Told: Slavery and the Making of American Capitalism* by Edward E. Baptist

*The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness* by Michelle Alexander

*The 1619 Project* by the New York Times

*The Warmth of Other Suns: The Epic Story of America's Great Migration* by Isabel Wilkerson

*When They Call You A Terrorist: A Black Lives Matter Memoir* by Patrisse Khan-Cullors and Asha Bandele

*White Fragility: Why It's So Hard for White People to Talk About Racism* by Robin DiAngelo

*Why I'm No Longer Talking To White People about Race* by Reni Eddo-Lodge

Ibram X. Kendi's [Anti-Racist Reading List](#) compiled by the Chicago Public Library

[Oprah's 43 books by Black authors!](#)

## **People To Follow On Social Media (and Elsewhere!)**

Ijeoma Oluo  
Ibram X. Kendi  
The Conscious Kid  
Girls Read the World  
HereWeeRead  
Well Read Black Girl  
Girl Have You Read  
From Privilege to Progress  
WOC in Romance

## **Talking to Kids About Racism and Antiracism:**

[Children's Books \(embracerace.org\)](http://embracerace.org)

[31 Children's Books To Support Conversations On Race, Racism, and Resistance \(embracerace.org\)](http://embracerace.org)

[the conscious kid](#)

[A Kids' Book About Racism, Jelani Memory](#)

[This Book Is Anti-Racist, Tiffany Jewell](#)

## **Supporting Black-Owned Businesses and Creators:**

[Black American Chamber of Commerce](#)

[Black Love Matters Podcast](#)

[BlackPDX.com](#)

[Bookshop.org](#)

[Discover \(A Few Of\) Portland's Black-Owned Businesses](#)

[Even More Black-Owned Bookstores \(LitHub\)](#)

[How Black bookstores, battered by Amazon.com, are fighting COVID-19](#)

[I Love Black Food](#) -- get takeout from a Black-owned restaurant!

[Mercatus: Local Black-Owned Businesses](#)

[Ten Black-Owned Bookstores To Support Online](#)

**National Resources:**

[American Civil Liberties Union](#) (ACLU)

[Act Blue](#) (splits your donation between 70+ community bail funds and mutual aid funds)

[#blacklivesmatter](#) (extensive Google doc of organizations, petitions, protest information, and contacts)

[Black Lives Matter](#)

[Black Women's Blueprint](#)

[Color of Change](#)

[the conscious kid](#)

[Equal Justice Initiative](#)

[Fight for Breonna](#)

[Jane Elliott](#)

[NAACP](#)

**Local Resources:**

[ACLU of Oregon](#)

[Black Lives Matter Portland](#)

[Black Resilience Fund](#)

[Brown Hope](#)

[Care Not Cops](#)

[Generational Resistance PDX](#)

[Lake Oswego's Respond to Racism](#)

[NAACP: Portland Chapter](#)

[PDX Protest Bail Fund](#)

[Portland African American Leadership Forum \(PAALF\)](#)

[Urban League of Portland](#)

[Word is Bond Portland](#)

[World Stage Theatre](#)

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