

Date 2nd Friday	<h2 style="text-align: center;">2021 Film Series</h2> <p style="text-align: center;">6:00 pm</p>	Date Usually Last Thur	<h2 style="text-align: center;">2021 Book Series</h2> <p style="text-align: center;">6:00-7:45 pm</p>
Jan 8 54 min Kanopy	<b>Policing the Police:</b> Newark Police Dept was ordered to reform by Dept of Justice. See how race and policing are playing out every day on streets, homes and police precincts.	Jan 28	<b>Caste- The Origins of Our Discontents</b> by Isabel Wilkerson: a portrait of a deeply researched narrative and stories about real people, how America today and throughout its history has been shaped by a hidden caste system, a rigid hierarchy of human rankings.
Feb 12 33 min Kanopy	<b>Wealth, Innovation &amp; Diversity:</b> Without Diversity, there can be little innovation, little growth. In other words, Diversity is not only the right thing to do; it's your source of greatest potential when you hire, promote, and encourage people different from yourself.	Feb 25	<b>Prejudential- Black America and the Presidents</b> by Margaret Kimberly: Exploration of America's relationship with race and Black Americans through the lens of the presidents who are elected to represent and govern all of its people. There are 45 chapters examining the condition of Black America through attitudes and actions of 45 Presidents.
Mar 12 21 min  26 min Kanopy	<b>PS, I Can't Breathe: Black Lives Matter:</b> Viewers will increase understanding of issues plaguing Black/Brown Communities. <b>Surviving Year One:</b> Mothers of color are 3x more likely to lose their babies by 1 <sup>st</sup> birthday. Learn about programs that are working to reverse these dramatic disparities.	Mar 25	<b>My Grandmother's Hands- Racialized Trauma and the Pathway to Mending Our Hearts and Bodies</b> by Resmaa Menakem: The damage caused by racism in America will continue until we learn to heal generational anguish of white supremacy which is deeply embedded in all our bodies. Our collective agony doesn't just affect African Americans. White Americans suffer their own secondary trauma as well. So do blue Americans-our police.
Apr 9 56 min Kanopy	<b>Power of Illusion: The Difference Between Us:</b> So why doesn't it make sense to sort people into biological races? This examines contemporary science, including genetics, and challenges our assumptions about race.	April 29	<b>I'm Still Here: Black Dignity in a World Made for Whiteness</b> by Austin Channing Brown: An eye-opening account of growing up Black, Christian, and female in middle-class white America. Growing up in majority-white schools and churches, she writes that she had to learn what it means to love blackness.
May 14 116 mn Kanopy	<b>They Came to Stay: A World of Their Own:</b> In the 1700s, a small number of Jews came to America, struggling to hold fast to being part of the emerging nation. They were tolerated & shunned.	May 27	<b>Critical Race Theory-An Introduction</b> by Delgado & Stefancic: CRT provides a radical and challenging perspective that reveals how racism shapes the everyday reality of the world from law courts, and prisons, to the economy, schools, media and health care.
June 11 93 min Kanopy	<b>Finding the Gold Within:</b> Follows 6 Black men in their 1 <sup>st</sup> year of college. Despite high levels of confidence, each is tested and determined to disprove societies stereotypes & low expectations. They are stepping out of invisibility. This film will inspire us all.	June 24	<b>The New Jim Crow</b> by Michelle Alexander: By targeting black men through the War on Drugs and decimating communities of color, the US criminal justice system functions as a contemporary system of racial control, relegating millions to a permanent 2 <sup>nd</sup> class status even as it adheres to the principle of colorblindness.
July 9 86 min Kanopy	<b>The Uncomfortable Truth: This History of Racism in America:</b> When the son of a white Civil Rights Hero dives into the 400 year history of racism in America, he was surprised to find his family was involved in slavery, Jim Crow, lynching & protests.	July 29	<b>Me and White Supremacy</b> by Layla F Saad: A resource for white people who want to challenge white supremacy but don't know where to begin. It shows how to move from your head to your heart while doing this important work.
Aug 13 55 min Kanopy	<b>Ida B Wells: A Passion for Justice:</b> Documents the dramatic life of the pioneering African American journalist, activist, suffragist and anti-lynching crusader of the post-Reconstruction period.	Aug 26	<b>Reaching and Teaching Students in Poverty</b> by Paul Gorski: Describes the knowledge and skills teachers and school administrators need to recognize and combat bias and inequity that undermine educational engagement for students experiencing poverty.
Sept 10 Latinx 54 min Kanopy	<b>Prejudice &amp; Pride:</b> Details creation of the proud "Chicano" identity, as labor leaders organize farm workers as activists push for better education opportunity for Latinos, the inclusion of Latino studies and empowerment in the political process.	Sept 30	<b>An Indigenous People's History of United States</b> by Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz: Challenges the myth of the US and shows how policy against indigenous peoples was colonialist designed to seize territories of original inhabitants. This bottom-up history reframes US history.
Oct 8 46 min Kanopy	<b>How Racism Harms White Americans- Lecture by John Bracey:</b> Focus on the high price that white people, especially working-class whites, have paid for race-based policies.	Oct 28	<b>Where the Crawdad's Sing</b> by Delia Owens: NY Times Fiction Best Seller of 2019: Two timelines intertwine. The life of a young girl named Kya as she grew up is in North Carolina from 1952-1969 and a 2 <sup>nd</sup> timeline follows a murder investigation of a local celebrity.
Nov 12 56 min Kanopy	<b>Constructing the Terrorist Threat-Islamophobia: The Media &amp; War on Terror:</b> Argues US media have turned Arabs/Muslims into the face of terror, while terror attacks by homegrown violent extremist groups have far outnumbered Muslim/Arab attacks.	Nov 18	<b>Separated-Inside an American Tragedy</b> by Jacob Soboroff: A dramatic odyssey of one separated family from Guatemala where they sought asylum at the US border and were separated. Soboroff challenged the policy and worked to reunite parents with children.
Dec 10 53 min Kanopy	<b>Native American Healing in 21<sup>st</sup> Century:</b> Shows Native American ancient forms of healing and how they are now being embraced again and accepted by modern physicians and scientists.	Dec 30	<b>The Color of Law</b> by Richard Rothstein: <b>He exposes</b> the myth that America's cities have segregated through individual prejudices making clear it was laws/policy decisions passed by local, state and federal govt that promoted discriminatory patterns that continue to this day.

## Film & Discussion 6:00-9:00 pm

The 2nd Friday of each month

A Program of Eliminate Racism 815:

In partnership with Tony Turner of Conscious Coaching

The Bahá'í Community of the Rockford Area,

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# Learning about Racism

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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.

