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First Writers of the Black Atlantic, 1785-1798 Yale University Press

The history of black Freemasonry from Boston and Philadelphia in the late 1700s through the Civil War to the Civil Rights Movement • Examines the letters of Prince Hall, legendary founder of the first black lodge • Reveals how many of the most influential jazz musicians of the 20th century were also Masons, including Louis Armstrong, Duke Ellington, and Nat King Cole • Explores the origins of the Civil Rights Movement within black Freemasonry and the roles played by Booker T. Washington and W. E. B. Du Bois When the first Masonic lodges opened in Paris in the early 18th century their membership included traders, merchants, musketeers, clergymen, and women--both white and black. This was not the case in the United States where black Freemasons were not eligible for membership in existing lodges. For this reason the first official charter for an exclusively black lodge--the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Massachusetts--was granted by the Grand Lodge of England rather than any American chapter. Through privileged access to archives kept by Grand Lodges, Masonic libraries, and museums in both the United States and Europe, respected Freemasonry historian Cécile Révauger traces the history of black Freemasonry from Boston and Philadelphia in the late 1700s through the Abolition Movement and the Civil War to the genesis of the Civil Rights Movement in the early 1900s up through the 1960s. She opens with a look at Prince Hall, legendary founder and the chosen namesake when black American lodges changed from "African Lodges" to "Prince Hall Lodges" in the early 1800s. She reveals how the Masonic principles of mutual aid and charity were more heavily emphasized in the black lodges and especially during the reconstruction period following the Civil War. She explores the origins of the Civil Rights Movement within black Freemasonry and the roles played by Booker T. Washington and W. E. B. Du Bois, founder of the NAACP, among others. Looking at the deep connections between jazz and Freemasonry, the author reveals how many of the most influential jazz musicians of the 20th century were also Masons, including Louis Armstrong, Duke Ellington, Nat King Cole, Eubie Blake, Cab Calloway, and Paul Robeson. Unveiling the deeply social role at the heart of black Freemasonry, Révauger shows how the black lodges were instrumental in helping American blacks transcend the horrors of slavery and prejudice, achieve higher social status, and create their own solid spiritually based social structure, which in some cities arose prior to the establishment of black churches.

The Freemasons Xlibris Corporation

Looks at Afrocentrism and its history, traces its origins since the eighteenth century, and examines various popular mythologies.

African American Freemasonry and the Struggle for Democracy in America One World

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OF THE DECADE • PULITZER PRIZE FINALIST • NATIONAL BOOK CRITICS CIRCLE AWARD FINALIST • ONE OF OPRAH'S "BOOKS THAT HELP ME THROUGH" • NOW AN HBO ORIGINAL SPECIAL EVENT Hailed by Toni Morrison as "required reading," a bold and personal literary exploration of America's racial history by "the most important essayist in a generation and a writer who changed the national political conversation about race" (Rolling Stone) NAMED ONE OF THE MOST INFLUENTIAL BOOKS OF THE DECADE BY CNN • NAMED ONE OF PASTE'S BEST MEMOIRS OF THE DECADE • NAMED ONE OF THE TEN BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY The New York Times Book Review • O: The Oprah Magazine • The Washington Post • People • Entertainment Weekly • Vogue • Los Angeles Times • San Francisco Chronicle • Chicago Tribune • New York • Newsday • Library Journal • Publishers Weekly In a profound work that pivots from the biggest questions about American history and ideals to the most intimate concerns of a father for his son, Ta-Nehisi Coates offers a powerful new framework for understanding our nation's history and current crisis. Americans have built an empire on the idea of "race," a falsehood that damages us all but falls most heavily on the bodies of black women and men—bodies exploited through slavery and segregation, and, today, threatened, locked up, and murdered out of all proportion. What is it like to inhabit a black body and find a way to live within it? And how can we all honestly reckon with this fraught history and free ourselves from its burden? *Between the World and Me* is Ta-Nehisi Coates's attempt to answer these questions in a letter to his adolescent son. Coates shares with his son—and readers—the story of his awakening to the truth about his place in the world through a series of revelatory experiences, from Howard University to Civil War battlefields, from the South Side of Chicago to Paris, from his childhood home to the living rooms of mothers whose children's lives were taken as American plunder. Beautifully woven from personal narrative, reimagined history, and fresh, emotionally charged reportage, *Between the World and Me* clearly illuminates the past, bravely confronts our present, and offers a transcendent vision for a way forward.

Identity and Ideality in African American Men's Literature and Culture, 1775-1995 AuthorHouse

This book starts with Theodore Roosevelt Spikes being raised as an African-American male in the Jim Crow south. It looks at the hostility, intimidation and terrorism he faced along with his family and every Africa-American in the apartheid south. As a result of the climate of fear, hatred, lynching, and mob rule, Roosevelt and his family joined other African-Americans in the Great Migration to northern cities. He got involved in the Afro-centric cultural renaissance of the 1920s; the New Deal, and community service Pre- and Post World War II as Lodge Secretary of the Prince Hall Masons. The book also looks at the history of the Prince Hall Masons as the conveyors of off-world African civilizations, innovations, and secrets of the missing link. This secret legacy is passed on through the deeds of their emulating "Star Children" who ascend to "Renaissance Men and Women."

Discover the Rich and Fascinating History of This Mysterious Society Harvard University Press

Freemasonry is one of the world's oldest fraternal organizations. It is a society of men concerned with moral and spiritual values. Members are taught its precepts by a series of ritual dramas that follow ancient forms and employ the symbolism of stonemasonry. Assuming its present form in England during the 18th century, Freemasonry came to America with the colonists, and Freemasons have played many roles in American history. When the author first inquired about the admission of African Americans to Masonic lodges, he was told: "They have their own lodges." He later learned that white Masons viewed black Masons not as "separate but equal" but as "irregular and clandestine." Nevertheless, he also learned that members of the predominantly black Prince Hall Masonic Grand Lodges have held their heads high and practiced the ancient mysteries for over two hundred years. There is now light at the end of the tunnel. Since 1989, thirty-seven mainstream (white) Grand Lodges have extended fraternal recognition to their Prince Hall counterparts. It is our hope that we will eventually see the end of the contradiction of a color line in an organization dedicated to the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man.

Out of the Shadows Boyds Mills Press

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Inside Prince Hall UPNE

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Joseph A. Walkes, Jr., Life and Legacy of a Trailblazing Prince Hall Mason OUP USA

A Simon & Schuster eBook. Simon & Schuster has a great book for every reader.

The Life and Legacy of Susannah Spurgeon, wife of Charles H. Spurgeon Simon and Schuster

Freemasonry is an ancient secret society shrouded in obscurity. Fascination with the mysteries of the Masons reached fever pitch after the release of Dan Brown's novels, *Angels and Demons*, *The DaVinci Code*, and *The Lost Symbol*. But these novels and their related movies raised more questions than they answered. The *Complete Idiot's Guide to Freemasonry, Second Edition*, fills readers in on the truths behind the mysteries. In it, readers get: - A fact-filled overview of the birth and beginnings of Freemasonry, including its relationship to the Knights Templar and Egypt - Fascinating facts about famous Masons - An explanation of the various Masonic organizations, such as the York and Scottish rites, and the Shriners - A behind-the-scenes look at what really goes on in a Masonic lodge, including initiations - A new walking tour of Washington, D.C., pointing out the hidden Masonic symbols featured in *The Lost Symbol* - Scripts for Masonic rituals, giving a flavor of the language used in such ceremonies - A field guide to Masonic symbols and regalia, with photos and explanations of significance - The history behind Masonic philanthropic efforts and youth groups - A history of African

American Freemasonry and the role of women in Masonic organizations

The Radical Reader Prince Hall, Life and Legacy Joseph A. Walkes, Jr., Life and Legacy of a Trailblazing Prince Hall Mason During his lifetime, Joseph A. Walkes, Jr., was the most prolific Prince Hall writer ever. He wrote eight books and had two unpublished manuscripts at the time of his death in 2006. He also wrote scores of articles and papers. *Inside Prince Hall* M. W. P. H. G. L. of Alaska Special Edition There is no book which adequately covers the whole subject of Prince Hall and the fraternity which honors him. The subject is too vast, too complex, and too sparsely documented. As Wesley (Prince Hall: Life and Legacy, 1977) and Walkes (Black Square & Compass, 1979) both remark, many previous works are inadequately researched or otherwise untrustworthy. The present work is an updated and abbreviated hybrid; originally written as the basis for a series of lectures to be presented to brethren in Australia and New Zealand in 2003. It comprises some carefully com-piled historical essays (where I am indebted primarily to the works of Wesley, Walkes, Parham and Davis, and also to mainstream researchers such as Upton, Draffen and Pope). *Black Freemasonry* From Prince Hall to the Giants of Jazz

A biography of the pioneering collector whose work laid the foundation for the study of black history and culture.

Becoming African in America Yale University Press

Contributions on various areas of postcolonial literature, including the work of Wilson Harris, the ground-breaking writer to whom the influential university teacher and literary critic Hena Maes-Jelinek devoted much of her career.

Passing the Ancestral Torch: the Life, Times, Struggles, and Legacy of Theodore Roosevelt Spikes One World

Mysteries revealed ... truths uncovered ... and myths dispelled.

What is the truth about the Masons suggested in Dan Brown's *The Da Vinci Code*? Can Freemasonry really be dated back as far as Babylon? Did they really coordinate the Boston Tea Party and the American Revolution? What really goes on at a Mason lodge during an initiation? Here is the real story behind the secret society that now boasts nearly five million members (and has included such illustrious fellows as George Washington and Benjamin Franklin), as revealed by a Master Mason. • Offers a highly illustrated field guide to Masonic jewelry and symbols • Includes further reading, a glossary, a list of famous Freemasons and information on Freemasonry in popular culture • Morris is a Master Mason

Official History of Freemasonry Among the Colored People in North America BRILL

This second edition includes new chapters that address issues such as the role of Christian values in black Greek-letter organizations and the persistence of hazing. Offering an overview of the historical, cultural, political, and social circumstances that have shaped these groups, *African American Fraternities and Sororities* explores the profound contributions that black Greek-letter organizations and their members have made to America. *A History of the World's Most Powerful Secret Society* Forgotten Books

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From Cuney to Curtis 1875-2003 Penguin

The definitive biography of Susannah Spurgeon. While many Christians recognize the name of Charles H. Spurgeon, the beloved preacher and writer, few are familiar with the life and legacy of his wife, Susie. Yet Susannah Spurgeon was an accomplished and devout woman of God who had a tremendous ministry in her own right, as well as in support of her husband. Even while dealing with serious health issues, she administered a book fund for poor pastors, edited and published her husband's sermons and other writings, led a pastor's aid ministry, wrote five books, made her home a hub of hospitality, and was instrumental in planting a church. And as her own writing attests, she was also a warm, charming, and fascinating woman. Now, for the first time, Susie brings this vibrant woman's story to modern readers. Ray Rhodes Jr. examines Susannah's life, showing that she was not only the wife of London's most famous preacher, but also a woman who gave all she had in grateful service to the Lord. Susie is an inspiring and encouraging account of a truly remarkable woman of faith that will delight Spurgeon devotees and fans of Christian biographies alike. "I am writing in my husband's study, where he thought, and prayed, and wrote. Every inch of the place is sacred ground. Everything remains precisely as he left it. His books (now my most precious possessions), stand in shining rows upon the shelves, in exactly the order in which he placed them, and one might almost fancy the room was ready and waiting for its master. But oh! That empty chair! That great portrait over the door! The strange, solemn silence, which pervades the place now that he is no longer on earth! I kneel sometimes by his chair, and laying my head on the cushioned arms, which so long supported his dear form, I pour out my grief before the Lord, and tell Him again that though I am left alone, yet I know that 'He hath done all things well'..."

Arthur Alfonso Schomburg, Black Bibliophile & Collector Penguin

The first slaves imported to America did not see themselves as "African" but rather as Temne, Igbo, or Yoruban. In *Becoming African in America*, James Sidbury reveals how an African identity emerged in the late eighteenth-century Atlantic world, tracing the development of "African" from a degrading term connoting savage people to a word that was a source of pride and unity for the diverse victims of the Atlantic slave trade. In this wide-ranging work, Sidbury first examines the work of black writers--such as Ignatius Sancho in England and Phillis Wheatley in America--who created a narrative of African identity that took its meaning from the diaspora, a narrative that began with enslavement and the experience of the Middle Passage, allowing people of various ethnic backgrounds to become "African" by virtue of sharing the oppression of slavery. He looks at political activists who worked within the emerging antislavery moment in England and North America in the 1780s and 1790s; he describes the rise of the African church movement in various cities--most notably, the establishment of the African Methodist Episcopal Church as an independent denomination--and the efforts of wealthy sea captain Paul Cuffe to initiate a black-controlled emigration movement that would forge ties between Sierra Leone and blacks in North America; and he examines in detail the efforts of blacks to emigrate to Africa, founding Sierra Leone and Liberia. Elegantly written and astutely reasoned, *Becoming African in America* weaves together intellectual, social, cultural,

religious, and political threads into an important contribution to African American history, one that fundamentally revises our picture of the rich and complicated roots of African nationalist thought in the U.S. and the black Atlantic.

The Cross-Cultural Legacy Penguin

A collection of thoughts and essays on the controversial Nation of Islam's Minister Louis Farrakhan discusses his leadership qualities, his beliefs, and his redefinition of black nationalism, community, and African-American leadership, in works by Derrick Bell, Gwendolyn Brooks, and Ron Nixon. Reprint.

Afrotopia John Wiley & Sons

"Traces the history of abolition from the 1600s to the 1860s . . . a valuable addition to our understanding of the role of race and racism in America."—Florida Courier Received historical wisdom casts abolitionists as bourgeois, mostly white reformers burdened by racial paternalism and economic conservatism. Manisha Sinha overturns this image, broadening her scope beyond the antebellum period usually associated with abolitionism and recasting it as a radical social movement in which men and women, black and white, free and enslaved found common ground in causes ranging from feminism and utopian socialism to anti-imperialism and efforts to defend the rights of labor. Drawing on extensive archival research, including newly discovered letters and pamphlets, Sinha documents the influence of the Haitian Revolution and the centrality of slave resistance in shaping the ideology and tactics of abolition. This book is a comprehensive history of the abolition movement in a transnational context. It illustrates how the abolitionist vision ultimately linked the slave's cause to the struggle to redefine American democracy and human rights across the globe. "A full history of the men and women who truly made us free."—Ira Berlin, *The New York Times* Book Review "A stunning new history of abolitionism . . . [Sinha] plugs abolitionism back into the history of anticapitalist protest."—*The Atlantic* "Will deservedly take its place alongside the equally magisterial works of Ira Berlin on slavery and Eric Foner on the Reconstruction Era."—*The Wall Street Journal* "A powerfully unfamiliar look at the struggle to end slavery in the United States . . . as multifaceted as the movement it chronicles."—*The Boston Globe*

Where Peachtree Meets Sweet Auburn University of Georgia Press Radicalism is as American as apple pie. One can scarcely imagine what American society would look like without the abolitionists, feminists, socialists, union organizers, civil-rights workers, gay and lesbian activists, and environmentalists who have fought stubbornly to breathe life into the promises of freedom and equality that lie at the heart of American democracy. The first anthology of its kind, *The Radical Reader* brings together more than 200 primary documents in a comprehensive collection of the writings of America's native radical tradition. Spanning the time from the colonial period to the twenty-first century, the documents have been drawn from a wealth of sources—speeches, manifestos, newspaper editorials, literature, pamphlets, and private letters. From Thomas Paine's "Common Sense" to Kate Millett's "Sexual Politics," these are the documents that sparked, guided, and distilled the most influential movements in American history. Brief introductory essays by the editors provide a rich biographical and historical context for each selection included.

A Gentleman of Color Oxford University Press

Features portraits of some six hundred noteworthy African Americans representing a wide variety of fields of endeavor.