

Cincinnati Public Library celebrates Black history month

## **Description**

The Cincinnati and Hamilton County Public Library honors Black history month with events and activities for all ages as well as resources to deepen your knowledge of Black culture, including authors and artists.

Here is a partial list of Black history month events at branches in Greater Cincinnati:

- Engage with genealogy and local history resources, scan your family's images, and hear Melvin Grier's West End story at the West End Branch Library, 10 a.m. on Feb. 10.
- The Avondale Branch hosts **Black History Month trivia** Tuesday, February 13, 4-5 p.m, Youth team up to match historical Black icons to their achievements.
- The Forest Park Branch Library is hosting two events in partnership with the Cincinnati Art
  Museum. The Feb. 15 event is for youth and the Feb. 26 event is for adults. Attendees will
  explore works by Black artists and create some art of your own. No experience is necessary, and
  all materials will be provided. Registration is free but encouraged.
- Are you a Black playwright or an aspiring Black playwright? Then drop by the Reading Branch Library, 6-7:30 p.m. on Feb. 19 for a meet and greet.
- On February 24 at noon, Dean Regas leads an exploration of star myths and legends from all over the continent of Africa. The will include a simulation of views from Egypt, Kenya and South Africa. Learn more about this presentation at the Avondale library.
- Click here for more upcoming library events.
- Each year the Martin Luther King, Jr. Coalition generously donates part of the funds raised during their annual Martin Luther King Jr. Day event to the Library to purchase materials about Dr. King and the civil rights movement. The Coalition also shares an annual list of resources for all ages.
- Click here to borrow books and movies that celebrate Black culture.
- Explore more opportunities to research and celebrate Black history at your local library.

## **Featured Resource: Digitized Cincinnati Newspapers**

In the late 1800's, some of Cincinnati's newspapers began including a column featuring news and social events from the city's Black community.

These newspapers are available in CHPL's Digital Library.

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