

Black Joy: An Examination of Black Children Literature

Amongst the names of many great authors, there are notable children's picture books and literature that contribute to the black experience. These vibrant illustrations and depictions of black narratives represent more than representation on the shelves or in academia; however, this kind of literature empowers black children and audiences. Black Joy, and Black Boy Joy, is a recent movement within the black community that celebrates the effortless self-expression of black children, particularly male children.

Historically, adolescent black children are commercially regarded as and presumed to take on adult characteristics— this arduous projection increases negative imagery and social stereotypes that many children face with commonly used micro aggressions, dismissive rhetoric and circulated prejudices. Yet, in many children's literature these common misconceptions of black childhood are dissolved by authentic portrayals of everyday lives and historical stories.

This listing primarily provides children's non-fiction and fiction titles, large-print books and biographical titles that illustrate historical figures as children. Also insightful perspectives of writers that contribute to black children's literature are provided.

Sources include call numbers, for patrons to easily inquire and obtain resources. Auburn Avenue Research Library maintains non-circulating policies of its collection; however, patrons are able to utilize materials in-house. Suggested search terms and keywords are provided to further guide patron's research amongst Auburn Avenue Research Library and the Atlanta-Fulton Public Library catalog and digital libraries.

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Audio/Visual Collection:

Coretta Scott King Award: A Tribute

Author: Scholastic, Inc. Pub Date: 2000 **Call #:** VHS 028.5 CORETTA

Ghana

Author: Ernst, Patti Pub Date:1996 **Call #:** VHS 916.67 GHANA

Profile of a Children's Author Angela Shelf Medearis

Author: Medearis, Angela Shelf Pub Date:1993 **Call #:** VHS 808.02 MEDEARIS

Lift Every Voice

Author: Turnbull, Walter J. Pub Date:1995 **Call #:** CAS 782.7 TURNBULL

Play Songs of the Deep South

Author: Johns, Altona Trent

Pub Date: 194

Call #: WR 784.7 TRENT-JOHNS

Books:

Who Writes for Black Children? : African American Children's Literature Before 1900

Author: Capshaw, Katherine

Pub Date: 2017

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 810.9 WHO

Black History in the Pages of Children's Literature

Author: Casement, Rose

Pub Date: 2008

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 810.9 CASEMENT

Multicultural and Ethnic Children's Literature in the United States

Author: Gilton, Donna L.

Pub Date: 2007

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 810.93529 GILTON

Into the Mouths of Babes: An Anthology of Children's Abolitionist Literature

Author: De Rosa, Deboarh C.

Pub Date: 2005

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 809.89282 CRITICAL

The Coretta Scott King Awards, 1970-2014.

Author: McCollough, Carole J.

Pub Date: 2015

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 016.8108 CORETTA

Coretta Scott King Award Books Discussion Guide: Pathways to Democracy

Author: Phelps, Adeliade Poinatowski

Pub Date: 2014

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 011.62 PHELPS

African and African American Images in Newbery Award Winning Titles: Progress in Portrayals

Author: Wilin, Binnie Tate

Pub Date: 2009

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 810.9 WILKIN

Out of Wonder: Poems Celebrating Poets

Author: Alexander, Kwame

Pub Date:

Auburn Avenue Research Library: J 808.1 ALEXANDER

Who writes for black children? : African American children's literature before 1900

Author: Capsahw, Katharine

Pub Date: 2017

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 810.9 WHO

A Poem for Peter: The Story of Ezra Jack Keats and the Creation of The Snowy Day

Author: Pinkney, Andrea Davis

Pub Date:

Auburn Avenue Research Library: B KEATS

Racism in Contemporary African American Children's and Young Adult Literature

Author: Panlay, Suriyan

Pub Date: 2016

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 810.98 PANLAY

Ashley Bryan's Puppets: Making Something from Everything

Author: Bryan, Ashley

Pub Date:

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 811.54 BRYAN

Slavery in American Children's Literature, 1790-2010

Author: Connolly, Paula T.

Pub Date: 2013

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 813.009 CONNOLLY

Langston Hughes

Author: Hughes, Langston

Pub Date: 2013

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 811.54 VANHECKE

Under the freedom tree

Author: VanHecke, Susan

Pub Date:

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 811.54 VANHECKE

African and African American Children's and Adolescent Literature in the Classroom: A Critical Guide

Author: Yenika-Agbaw, Vivian S.

Pub Date: 2012

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 810.9 AFRICAN

Walk Together Children: Black American Spirituals Volume I

Author: Bryan, Ashley

Pub Date: 2012

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 782.253 WALK V. 1

Langston Hughes

Author: Hughes, Langston

Pub Date: 2009

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 811.52 HUGHES

Ashley Bryan: Words to My Life's Song

Author: Bryan, Ashley

Pub Date: 2009

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 818.54 BRYAN

Representing Africa in Children's Literature: Old and New Ways of Seeing

Author: Yenika-Agbaw, Vivian

Pub Date: 2008

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 809.93326 YENKIA-AGBAW

Hip Hop Speaks to Children: A Celebration of Poetry with a Beat

Author: Giovanni, Nikki

Pub Date: 2008

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 811.008 HIP
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We are the Ship: The Story of Negro League Baseball

Author: Nelson, Kadir

Pub Date: 2008

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 796.35764 NELSON

Black Children's Literature Got de Blues: The Creativity of Black Writers and Illustrators

Author: Tolson, Nancy

Pub Date: 2008

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 809.89282 TOLSON

Across Cultures: A Guide to Multicultural Literature for Children

Author: East, Kathy

Pub Date: 2007

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 001.62 EAST

Let it Shine: Three Favorite Spirituals

Author: Bryan, Ashley

Pub Date: 2013

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 782.253 LET

Once Upon A Time in A Different World: Issues and Ideas in African American Children's Literature

Author: Lester, Neal A

Pub Date: 2007

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 809.89282 LESTER

Apartheid and Racism in South African Children's Literature, 1985-1995

Author: MacCann, Donnarae

Pub Date: 2001

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 823 MACCANN

White Supremacy in Children's Literature: Characterizations of African Americans, 1830-1900

Author: MacCann, Donnarae

Pub Date: 1998

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 811.54 VANHECKE

Critical Perspectives on Postcolonial African Children's and Young Adult Literature

Author: Khorana, Meena

Pub Date: 1998

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 809.89282 CRITICAL

Building a Special Collection of Children's Literature in Your Library: Identifying, Maintaining, and Sharing Rare or Collectible Items

Author: Jones, Dolores Blythe

Pub Date: 1998

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 025.21 JONES

The All-white World of Children's Books and African American Children's Literature

Author: Osa, Osayimwense

Pub Date: 1995

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 810.99282 ALL-WHITE

The Black Experience in Children's Books

Author: The New York Public Library

Pub Date: 1989

Auburn Avenue Research Library: WR 011.62 BLACK

Ethnic American Literature: An Encyclopedia for Students

Author: Nelson, Emmanuel S.

Pub Date: 2015

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 810.9 ETHNIC

Affirming Students' Right to their Own Language: Bridging Language Policies and Pedagogical Practices

Author: Scott, Jerrie Cobb

Pub Date: 2008

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 428.00712 AFFIRMING

Black Authors and Illustrators of Books for Children and Young Adults.

Author: Murphy, Barbara Thrash

Pub Date: 2007

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 809.89282 MURPHY

What was it like? : teaching history and culture through young adult literature

Author: Rice, Linda J.

Pub Date: 2006

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 973.91071 RICE

Domestic Abolitionism and Juvenile Literature, 1830-1865

Author: De Rosa, Deborah C.

Pub Date: 2003

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 810.9 DEROSA

E-Books and Electronic Materials:

Who Writers for Black Children?; African American Children's Literature Before 1990

Author: Capshaw, Katharine

Auburn Avenue Research Library: 810.9 WHO

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- Children's literature AND black experience
- Children's literature AND racism
- Coretta Scott King Award AND young adult literature
- Children's literature AND illustrations AND racism
- Racial Bias AND young adult literature

