On Juneteenth
by Annette Gordon-Reed - 394.263 GORDON-REED
In this intricately woven tapestry of American history, dramatic family chronicle, and searing episodes of memoir, the descendant of enslaved people brought to Texas in the 1850s, recounts the origins of Juneteenth and explores the legacies of the holiday that remain with us.

Jubilee: Recipes From Two Centuries of African-American Cooking
by Toni Tipton-Martin - 641.59296 TIPTON-MARTIN
A collection of 125 recipes takes readers into the world of African-American cuisine made by enslaved master chefs, free caterers and black entrepreneurs and culinary stars that goes far beyond soul food.

African American Poetry: 250 Years of Struggle & Song
by Kevin Young - 811 AFRICAN
A wide-ranging anthology of black poetry represents 250 famous and less-recognized poets from the colonial era to the present who used their powerful words to illuminate such issues as racism, slavery and the threatened African Diaspora identity.

Four hundred souls: a community history of African America, 1619-2019
by Ibram X. Kendi - 973.0496 FOUR
Last year marked the four hundredth anniversary of the first African presence in the Americas—and also launched the Four Hundred Souls project, spearheaded by Ibram X. Kendi, and Keisha Blain.
**FICTION**

**Conjure Women : a novel**  
by Afia Atakora - ATAKORA  
A midwife and conjurer of curses reflects on her life before and after the Civil War, her relationships with the families she serves and the secrets she has learned about a plantation owner’s daughter.

**The Water Dancer : a novel**  
by Ta-Nehisi Coates - COATES  
A Virginia slave narrowly escapes a drowning death through the intervention of a mysterious force that compels his escape and personal underground war against slavery.

**The prophets : a novel**  
by Robert Jones - JONES  
Two enslaved young men on a Deep South plantation find refuge in each other while transforming a quiet shed into a haven for their fellow slaves, before an enslaved preacher declares their bond sinful. A first novel.

**Homegoing**  
by Yaa Gyasi - GYASI  
Two half sisters, unknown to each other, are born into different villages in 18th-century Ghana and experience profoundly different lives and legacies throughout subsequent generations marked by wealth, slavery, war, coal mining, the Great Migration and the realities of 20th-century Harlem.

**The deep**  
by Rivers Solomon - SOLOMON  
The historian of the water-dwelling descendants of pregnant African slaves thrown overboard by slavers keeps all the memories of her people both painful and miraculous, until she discovers that their future lies in returning to the past.

**Octavia Butler’s Kindred / : A Graphic Novel Adaptation**  
by Damian Duffy - G DUFFY  
Inexplicably pulled back in time to the antebellum South, a contemporary Black woman, raised in the age of Civil Rights and Black Power, must confront the harsh realities of Black history in America.

**NON-FICTION**

**The Warmth of Other Suns : the Epic Story of America’s Great Migration**  
by Isabel Wilkerson - 304.800973 WILKERSON  
In an epic history covering the period from the end of World War I through the 1970s, a Pulitzer Prize winner chronicles the decades-long migration of African Americans from the South to the North and West through the stories of three individuals and their families.

**A Little Devil in America : in Praise of Black Performance**  
by Hanif Abdurraqib - 305.896 ABDURRAQIB  
A poet, essayist and cultural critic presents a profound and lasting reflection on how black performance is inextricably woven into the fabric of American culture.

**Barracoon : the Story of the Last “Black Cargo”**  
by Zora Neale Hurston - 306.362 LEWIS BY HURSTON  
In 1927, Zora Neale Hurston went to Plateau, Alabama, just outside Mobile, to interview eighty-six-year-old Cudjo Lewis. Of the millions of men, women, and children transported from Africa to America as slaves, Cudjo was then the only person alive to tell the story of this integral part of the nation’s history.