Local History
Research Guide

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Introduction

The purpose of this guide is to provide researchers, students, and the general public access to the print materials available in the African American Library at the Gregory School.

This research guide is divided into 2 sections: Houston and Texas. The Texas section includes people and events that are native to Texas, but not Houston, such as events taking place in Fort Worth or Dallas.

Each section is then organized by subject and title of book.

The books are arranged on the shelves using the Dewey Decimal System. (It’s basically the address of the book on the shelf.)

This is not a comprehensive listing of all our print materials. Books are continually being added to the collection.

Please see staff for additional assistance.
Houston:

_Civil Rights Movement_

- *Negro Politics and the Rise of the Civil Rights Movement in Houston, Texas* (323.409764 D252)
- *No Color Is My Kind: The Life of Eldrewey Stearns and the Integration of Houston* (305.8 C689)
- *On Parallel Tracks: A Comparison of the African-American and Latino Civil Rights Movements in Houston* (323.119 B419)

_History_ (general history of African Americans in Houston)

- *African Americans of Houston* (976.41411 G657)
- *Black Dixie: Afro-Texan History and Culture in Houston* (976.4141 B627)
- *Dixie West: Race, Migration, and the Color Lines in Jim Crow Houston* (305.8009764 S837)
- *For the Advancement of the Race: African-American Migration and Community Building in Houston, 1914-1945* (304.809 P971)
- *Houston Bound: Culture and Color in a Jim Crow City* (305.8009764 S837)
- *Invisible Houston: The Black Experience in Boom and Bust* (305.896 B935)
- *The Other Great Migration: The Movement of Rural African Americans to Houston, 1900-1941* (305.896073 P971)
- *The Pioneer Families of Houston* (976.41 B915)
- *The Red Diary: A Chronological History of Black Americans in Houston and Some Neighboring Harris County Communities – 122 Years Later* (976.41 J77)
Houston (cont.):

_People_

- *The Red Book of Houston: A Compendium of Social, Professional, Educational and Industrial Interests of Houston’s Colored Population* (Ask at desk)
- *The Red Diary: A Chronological History of Black Americans in Houston and Some Neighboring Harris County Communities – 122 Years Later* (976.41 J77)
- *Texas Trailblazer Series* (920.0764 T355)

_Race Issues_

- *Anti-Black Violence in Twentieth-Century Texas* (305.896073 A629)
- *Camp Logan: 100 Year Anniversary* (355.7097641 G741)
- *The History of Black Police Officers in the Houston Police Department, 1878-1988* (363.208996 W182)
- *Houston Blue: The Story of the Houston Police Department* (363.209764 R845)
- *The Houston Riot & Courts-Martial of 1917* (976.41411 H842)
- *A Night of Violence: The Houston Riot of 1917* (976.41 H424)

_Slavery_

- *African Americans of Houston* (976.41411 G657)
- *Dixie West: Race, Migration, and the Color Lines in Jim Crow Houston* (305.8009764 S837)
- *Free Enterprise City: Houston in Political-Economic Perspective* (976.41 F288)
- *Houston in Chains: Slaves and Free Blacks in the Texas Courts, 1845-1867* (305.896073 R263)
**Houston (cont.):**

**Texas Southern University**
- *Anti-Black Violence in Twentieth-Century Texas* (305.896073 A629)
- *Black Art in Houston: The Texas Southern University Experience* (707.11 B592)
- *Born to Serve: A History of Texas Southern University* (378.7641411 P686)
- *Origin and Development of Texas Southern University, Houston, Texas* (378.1009 T329)
- *Texas Southern University: Its Antecedents, Political Origin, and Future* (378.764 B915)

**Texas:**

**Civil Rights Movement**
- *African Americans, Mexican Americans, and Anglo Americans and the Desegregation of Texas, 1946-1957* (379.263 H843)
- *Blue Texas: The Making of a Multiracial Democratic Coalition in the Civil Rights Era* (324.276406 K93)
- *Civil Rights in the Texas Borderlands: Dr. Laurence A. Nixon and Black Activism* (323.4 G993)
- *Fighting Their Own Battles: Mexican Americans, African Americans, and the Struggle for Civil Rights in Texas* (305.8009764 B419)
- *Freedom is Not Enough: The War on Poverty and the Civil Rights Movement in Texas* (362.5561097 C622)
- *Seeking Inalienable Rights: Texans and Their Quests for Justice* (323.0973 S451)
- *Volma...My Journey: One Man’s Impact on the Civil Rights Movement in Austin, Texas* (323.0976431 J76)
Texas (cont.):

_History_ (general history of African Americans in Texas)

- *African Americans in Central Texas History: From Slavery to Civil Rights* (323.1196073 A258)
- *African Americans in South Texas History* (305.896073 A258)
- *Blacks on The Borders: African-Americans’ Transition from Slavery to Freedom in Texas and the Indian Territory, 1836-1907* (973.0496073 K91)
- *Bricks Without Straw: A Comprehensive History of African Americans in Texas* (976.400496 B849)
- *Free Blacks in Antebellum Texas* (305.896073 F853)
- *The Freedmen’s Bureau & Black Texans* (976.4 C952)
- *Freedom After Slavery: The Black Experience and the Freedmen’s Bureau in Reconstruction Texas* (976.400496 L635)

_People_

- *Black Leaders: Texans For Their Times* (920.0764 B627)
- *Through Many Dangers, Toils, and Snares: Black Leadership in Texas* (976.400496 P686)
- *Who’s Who of Black Men & Women in Texas* (920.009296 B627)
Slavery

- An Empire for Slavery: The Peculiar Institution in Texas, 1821-1865 (306.362 C189)
- The Black Crop: Slavery and Slave Trading in 19th Century Texas (976.400496 M478)
- I Was Born in Slavery: Personal Accounts of Slavery in Texas (305.567092 I11)
- Remembering the Days of Sorrow: The WPA and Texas Slave Narratives (306.3620976 G657)
- Slavery and Freedom in Texas: Stories From the Courtroom, 1821-1871 (342.764087 G482)
- Till Freedom Cried Out: Memories of Texas Slave Life (976.400496 T574)

Women

- Black Texas Women: A Sourcebook (305.48 W767)
- Black Women in Texas History (976.4008996 B627)
- Brave Black Women: From Slavery to the Space Shuttle (305.48 W767)
- Creating the New Woman: The Rise of Southern Women’s Progressive Culture in Texas, 1893-1918 (305.4209764 M478)
- Invisible Texans: Women and Minorities in Texas History (305.5600976 I62)
- Texas Through Women’s Eyes: The 20th Century Experience (305.4209764 M478)
- Texas Women: Their Histories, Their Lives (305.409764 T355)
- Texas Women Writers: A Tradition of Their Own (810.9 T31)
- Women on the Texas Frontier: A Cross-Cultural Perspective (976.40082 M257)