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FOR INFORMATION CALL

February 26, 2021

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Reminder: Virtual Black History Month Read-In is Tomorrow

As part of Black History Month, Alderwoman Milele A. Coggs is hosting the annual **Black History Month Read-In** tomorrow - **Saturday, February 27th at 12:00 p.m. (CST)**. The event will be held virtually via Zoom, and parents and children of all ages are invited to attend.

The event will feature short, heartfelt stories about African American culture and history. The stories that will be featured will be from guest authors **Deanna Singh, Ajamou Butler, Rayna Andrews, Nia Obotette, Ebony Lewis** and Drs. **Malena Banks** and **Maryam Jernigan-Noesi**. There will also be other readings from guest readers **Jadah Webb, Priscilla Coggs-Jones, and Alderwoman Coggs**. The stories will cover multiple topics, including growing up in Black communities, pride, determination, health, empathy and other aspects of African-American culture. Alderwoman Coggs is sponsoring the Read-In in recognition of the 31st National African-American Read-In, a program that promotes diversity in literature in partnership with the Milwaukee Public Library.

“Black History Month encompasses many aspects of our culture, and the annual read-in is one way to showcase the great works and themes that African-American literature has to offer,” said Alderwoman Coggs. “Even though we cannot host this event in person, we have a great virtual program planned. I look forward to sharing compelling stories written by diverse authors with our local families.”

The Black History Month Read-In is **free and open to everyone**. Participants are asked to sign up for the virtual event by visiting https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_0x6BJOIGQGSrygkgdDk83g.

The virtual read-in will also be available for viewing on the Milwaukee Public Library [website](#) and Facebook [page](#), in addition to the City Channel (channel 25 on Spectrum Cable and channel 99 on AT&T U-Verse in the City of Milwaukee) and via streaming video on the city website at city.milwaukee.gov/Channel25.

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VIRTUAL EDITION

Black History Month

Read-In



Saturday
February 27
12:00-1:00PM

Guest Authors



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Ajamou Butler



Rayna Andrews



Nia Obotette



Ebony Lewis

Guest Authors



Dr. Malena Banks



Dr. Maryam
Jernigan-Noesi



Jadah Webb



Priscilla
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Guest Readers



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