

# BLACK HISTORY MONTH AT YOUR LIBRARY



## In Concert: Souls United Choir

Saturday, February 1, 2:30 pm,

Lateef Islam Auditorium, Family Partnership Center

Souls United of the Hudson Valley, founded in 2010, is an interfaith gospel choir composed of members from the Mid-Hudson Region. Their repertoire consists mostly of music from Christian, Baha'i and other faith traditions, as reflected by the choir's membership. *No registration required.*



## Madam C. J. Walker: The First Black Female Millionaire

Tuesday, February 18,  
7 pm, Virtual

Born in 19th century rural Louisiana to former slaves, Sarah Breedlove rose to become the first female, African-American, self-made millionaire in the

United States. Presented by Rick Feingold, of Bergen Community College. *Registration required.*

## Learning to Be More Than Your Skin Color: Experience of Black Jews in America

Tuesday, February 11, 7 pm, Adriance  
Snow Date: February 25

A brief historic perspective on the African-American Black Jews and the Jews of Color from the Caribbean and Latin America in the US in the early 1900s. Presented by Mordekai Gordon, former President & Spiritual Leader of Mount Horeb Ethiopian Hebrew Congregation in Bronx, NY. There will be an accompanying exhibit of historical documents relating to persons discussed in our Rotunda Gallery throughout February. *Registration required.*

## In Concert: Beacon Jazz Lab

Saturday, February 15, 2:30 pm,  
Lateef Islam Auditorium, FPC

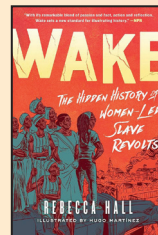
Formed in May of 2018, the Beacon Jazz Lab plays a variety of jazz and pop jazz tunes. Rich Dambra on saxophones, Hank Greenblatt on bass, Rich Gugumuck on electric guitar, Bev Poyerd on keyboards, and Gary Torres on drums. *No registration required.*

## Book Club Selections

### Graphic Novel Book Club

Select Thursdays, 7 pm, Virtual

*Registration required.*



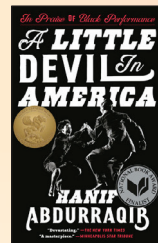
February 13: **Wake: the Hidden History of Women-Led Slave Revolts** by Rebecca Hall

*Wake* brings to light for the first time the existence of enslaved black women warriors whose stories can be traced by carefully scrutinizing historical records; and where the historical record goes silent reconstructs the likely past of two female rebels, Adono and Alele, on the slave ship *The Unity*.

### Books & Brews Book Club

Select Wednesdays, 7 pm, Juan Murphy's Pub  
(796 Main Street)

Contact Kira Thompson at or x3350 kthompson@poklib.org for details. *No registration required.*



February 19: **A Little Devil in America** by Hanif Abdurraqib

With sharp insight, humor, and heart, Abdurraqib examines how Black performance happens in specific moments in time and space — from midcentury Paris to the moon, then back down again to a cramped living room in Columbus, Ohio.



## Black History Month Exhibits at Adriance

February 1 - 29, ADR

Presented in partnership with Celebrating the African Spirit and Mordekai Gordon.