

RESOURCE LIST FOR EXPLORING RACISM AND ANTI-RACISM

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In the August Longmont AAUW Newsletter, National Board Chair, Julia Brown, speaking at the Rocky Mountain Conference in June, was quoted as saying "...there is a real nexus between AAUW's Mission and Vision [and] working to help eliminate racism and to uplift equity, diversity and inclusion. The **AAUW Equity Network** has presented several insightful webinars this summer that address racial equity. Recordings are available on their [website](#).

To encourage additional exploration, the Current Issues and Advocacy (CI&A) interest group has pulled together a short resource list, divided into categories: WATCH, READ, LISTEN and ACT. Most of the citations have been culled from two or more, more extensive compilations, listed in Resources at the end. Others, indicated with a +, are suggestions from branch members.

WATCH:

Films:

- 13th*, 2016, Netflix documentary exposing racial inequality within the criminal justice system.
- King in the Wilderness*, 2018, HBO, documentary about Rev. Dr Martin Luther King, Jr's later years.
- I Am Not Your Negro*, 2017, free with Amazon Prime, documentary envisioning book James Baldwin was unable to finish.
- Just Mercy*, 2019, film based on book by Byran Stevenson, based on his work on death row in Alabama, free Amazon link.
- Selma*, 2014, a film that chronicles the civil rights movement.
- When They See Us*, 2019, Netflix miniseries, about Central Park Five.
- + *BlackKklansman*, 2018, Based on a true story of an African American police officer from Colorado Springs, CO, who successfully manages to infiltrate the local Ku Klux Klan branch.

Videos, TV, YouTube:

- + [Niel Degrasse Tyson on being Black, and Women in Science](#), April 21, 2014.
- + [Brown Eyes and Blue Eyes](#), by Jane Elliott, 1988, a racism experiment, may be followed by an [interview with Jimmy Fallon on The Tonight Show](#), June 1, 2020.
- + [George Floyd, Minneapolis Protests, Ahmaud Abery & Amy Cooper](#), May 29, 2020, The Daily Show with Trevor Noah. The dominos of racial injustice and police brutality, and how the contract between society and black Americans has been broken time and time again.
- + [Want a more just world? Be an unlikely ally](#), by Nita Mosby Tyler, Ph.D., the Chief Catalyst and Founder of The Equity Project, LLC, Ted Talk, November 2019.

READ:

Books

- How to be an Anti-racist*, by Ibram X. Kendi, 2019.
- White Fragility: Why It's So Hard for White People to Talk About Racism*, by Robin DiAngelo, 2018.
- The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness*, by Michelle Alexander, 2010.
- Between the World and Me*, by Ta-Nahisi Coates, 2015.
- The Fire Next Time*, by James Baldwin, 1963.
- So You Want to Talk Race*, by Ijeoma Oluo, 2018.
- + *Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents*, by Isabel Wilkerson, 2020.

Articles:

[The 1619 Project](#), New York Times, an ongoing project beginning August 2019, particularly the article by Nikole Hannah-Jones, may require NYT subscription.

[The Case for Reparations](#), by Ta-Nahisi Coates The Atlantic, June 2014 and update,

[Ta-Nahisi Coates Revisits the Case for Reparations](#), Interview, New Yorker, June 10, 2019.

[White Privilege, Unpacking the Invisible Knapsack](#), by Peggy McIntosh, 1988.

[Who Gets to be Afraid in America](#), by Dr Ibram X Kendi, The Atlantic, May 12, 2020,

[American's Racial Contract is Killing Us](#), by Adam Serwer, The Atlantic, May 8, 2020.

[The Intersectionality Wars](#), by Jane Coaston, Vox, May 28, 2019.

+ [I'm black and despite all I've accomplished, society views me as a threat](#), by Reggie Rivers, Guest Opinion in Denver Post, June 5, 2020.

+ [What does Defund the Police Mean](#), by Rashawn Ray, Brookings Institute, June 19, 2020.

+ [There is No White Culture](#), by Richard Thompson Ford, opinion, CNN, August 2018, 2020.

+ [The False Promise of Anti-Racism Books](#), by Saida Grundy, The Atlantic, July 21, 2020, "Texts that seek to raise the collective American consciousness are futile without concrete systemic changes."

+ [Are You Willing to Give up Your Privilege?](#), Philanthropy alone won't save the American dream, by Darren Walker, NY Times, June 25, 2020, President of the Ford Foundation, calling for reform in our system of capitalism. May require NYT subscription.

LISTEN:

Podcasts

[Small Doses with Amanda Seales](#), podcasts entitled Side Effects of..., White Women, Communication, Being Misunderstood, Professionalism, Being a Black Intellectual White Women, and more. A 1-2 min. ad precedes the podcast.

[Code Switch](#), Podcasts from NPR, tackling race from all angles.

["Whistling Vivaldi" and Beating Stereotypes](#), NPR, Talk of the Nation, Author Interview with Claude Steele, April 12, 2010.

+ [Revisionist History](#), Malcolm Maxwell's Podcast, example, Miss Buchanan's Period of Adjustment.

+ [Why Ta-Nahisi Coates is Hopeful](#), interview with Ezra Kline, June 5, 2020.

ACT: See in Resources below –

100 Things White People Can Do for Racial Justice

Justice in June

Scaffolded antiracism resources

RESOURCES:

[Anti-racism Resources](#), by Sarah Sophie Flicker, Alyssa Klein, May 2020.

[Things White People Can Do for Racial Justice](#), by Corrine Shutack, is continually updated. It began as 75, now is up to 100, latest update August 13, 2020.

[Justice in June](#), by Autumn Gupta with Bryanna Wallace's oversight, is intended to cultivate a community rooted in truth, inspire action and is committed to awareness. This resource is organized according to time commitments of 10min, 25 min or 45 min/day, June 12, 2020.

[A Detailed List of Anti-Racism Resources](#), by Katie Couric, books, movies, and more, June 1, 2020.

[Scaffolded Antiracism Resources](#), by Anna Stamborski, Nikki Zimmermann, and Bailie Gregory, is organized in a way intended to guide along the path of recognizing your identity, work to become an ally and eventually accomplices for anti-racism, latest update June 12, 2020.