

# BLACK HISTORY 2017

**Celebrate**  
**Martin Luther King, Jr.'s**  
**Birthday**

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**Happy Birthday Martin!**

Celebrate the birthday of Dr. King with a reading of *Martin's Big Words: The Life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.* Cake and refreshments will be served. All ages.

**Martin Luther King Branch**  
Saturday, Jan. 14, 2 p.m.

**Shepard Branch**  
Monday, Jan. 16, 5 p.m.

**Robert Brugler, Black Troops Helped to Free the Slaves and Save the Nation**

Celebrate black history month by honoring the black troops who helped win the Civil War. All ages.

**Southeast Branch**  
Wednesday, Feb. 1, 5 p.m.



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## **Rory Rennick, Magic with Meaning**

Learn how to overcome the impossible through mindreading, comedy, magic and books! All ages.

### **Linden Branch**

Monday, Feb. 6, 4 p.m.

## **Lyn Ford, Let's Throw Stories!**

Tales rooted in African and African-American folktale traditions will be shared with small percussive instruments, call and response and lots of interaction. All ages.

### **Main Library**

Wednesday, Feb. 8, 11 a.m.

## **Rory Rennick, Magic & Myths of African-American Magicians from the Past**

Learn about some of the long-forgotten magicians of color while enjoying an amazing magic show. All ages.

### **Driving Park Branch**

Wednesday, Feb. 8, 5 p.m.

### **Livingston Branch**

Thursday, Feb. 9, 5 p.m.

## **Lyn Ford, If You Can't Fly: Folktales to Move Us Forward**

Dr. Martin Luther King's quotation becomes the focal point for retelling ancient, thought-provoking tales of clever heroes in challenging circumstances. All ages.

### **Marion-Franklin Branch**

Wednesday, Feb. 8, 5 p.m.

### **Shepard Branch**

Friday, Feb. 10, 4 p.m.

## **Robert Brugler, Growing Up to Be President**

Born in a one-room log cabin, Abraham Lincoln had a hard life and many failures, yet he became president of the United States during the most difficult time in our nation's history, the Civil War. All ages.

### **Dublin Branch**

Thursday, Feb. 9, 2 p.m.

## **Tony Gibbs, The Promised Land**

Meet John Parker, conductor on the Underground Railroad. Parker will tell his story, describing the dangers for those who attempted to escape slavery and for those who dared to help them. Ages 8 and older.

### **Whetstone Branch**

Friday, Feb. 10, 10 a.m.

## **The Living African Treasure Chest**

Join us as the African Treasure Chest comes to the life through stories, songs and fun activities. Families.

### **Martin Luther King Branch**

Saturday, Feb. 11, 2 p.m.

## **Queen Najla Parish, Family Drum Circle**

Celebrate Black History with drums, conga, djun djun and other percussion instruments. Come and dance! Families.

### **Gahanna Branch**

Tuesday, Feb. 14, 5:30 p.m.

### **Northern Lights Branch**

Wednesday, Feb. 15, 5 p.m.

## **Rory Rennick, Henry's Freedom Box**

In this program, based on the book by Ellen Levine, Rory Rennick engages in dramatic storytelling with some amazing magic and original music for children. Ages 6-11.

### **Hilltop Branch**

Wednesday, Feb. 15, 4:30 p.m.

### **Canal Winchester Branch**

Thursday, Feb. 16, 4:30 p.m.

## **Brian Holland, Hip Hop Ademics**

Kids will learn basic reading, math and character education skills through hip hop, games and activities. Ages 5-8.

### **Karl Road Branch**

Thursday, Feb. 16, 6:30 p.m.

## **BHB, Origins of Hip Hop**

Enjoy a brief history of hip hop and its contributions to the community with breakdancing. Plus, learn what it takes to be a DJ. Ages 12-17.

### **Whitehall Branch**

Thursday, Feb. 16, 4 p.m.

### **Parsons Branch**

Wednesday, Feb. 22, 4:30 p.m.

### **Karl Road Branch**

Thursday, Feb. 23, 4 p.m.

### **Reynoldsburg Branch**

Thursday, Feb. 23, 6 p.m.

## **Queen Najla Parish, Poetry with Drums**

Join Queen Najla for a lively poetry reading accompanied by the beating of drums. All ages.

### **New Albany Branch**

Saturday, Feb. 18, 11 a.m.

## **Queen Najla Parish, African Culture Company**

Join us in celebrating Black History Month with African drums, dance and song with stories and games. Ages 5 and up and families.

### **South High Branch**

Tuesday, Feb. 28, 5 p.m.

## **Rory Rennick, Greater Escapes**

Learn about some of the most magical escapes from slavery in this thrilling magic show. Families.

### **Franklinton Branch**

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