Some Actions UUS Can Take to Support Antiracism

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Read and Watch- Open Your Mind

NONFICTION Books such as:

"The Fire Next Time" by James Baldwin

"An Indigenous Peoples' History of the United States" by Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz

"Minor Feelings" by Cathy Park Hong

"Killing Rage- Ending Racism" by bell hooks

"Privilege, Power, and Difference" by Allan G. Johnson

"How to Be an Anti-Racist" by Ibram X Kendi

"Stamped From the Beginning" by Ibram X Kendi

"Uprooting Racism- How White People Can Work for Racial Justice" by Paul Kivel

"The Making of Asian America" by Erika Lee

"The Sum of Us- What Racism Costs Us & How We Can Prosper Together" by Heather McGhee

"So You Want to Talk About Race" by Ijeoma Oluo

"Centering- Navigating Race, Authenticity, and Power in Ministry" Mitra Rahnema, ed.

"Me and White Supremacy" by Layla Saad

"Caste-The Origins of Our Discontents"- by Isabel Wilkerson

"Yellow" by Frank Wu

FICTION Books such as:

"Ceremony" by Leslie Silko

"The Underground Railroad" by Colin Whitehead

"The Lowland" - Jhumpa Lahiri

"There, There" by Tommy Orange

YOUNG ADULT Books such as:

"This Book Is Anti-Racist"- Tiffany Jewell, nonfiction

"Stamped- Racism, Antiracism, and You"- Jason Reynolds, nonfiction *

"March" - 3 volume graphic novel - John Lewis

"All American Boys" - Jason Reynolds *

"Long Way Down" -a graphic novel - Jason Reynolds

"On the Come Up"- Angie Thomas*

*Books recommended by an Ann Arbor District Library librarian for YA

DOCUMENTARIES AND FILMS such as:

"Cassius Clay/ Muhammed Ali" - Ken Burns

"13th" - Ava DuVernay

"When They See Us"- Ava DuVernay

"The Life and Death of Marsha P. Johnson" - Victoria Cruz

"Reservation Dogs" - TV Show on FX

Reflect - Open Your Heart, Look Inward

- Diversify your media streams to ensure that people of color are well-represented:
 - o Subscribe to Anti-Racism Daily: hello@antiracismdaily
 - o Read www.theroot.com/news

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- Read poetry such as Lucille Clifton, Rita Dove, Joy Harjo, Natasha Tretheway
- Listen to music
- Listen to podcasts:
 - o Code Switch
 - o White Lies
 - o About Race with Reni Eddo-Lodge
 - Sounds Like Hate
 - #Tell Black Stories
 - 0 1619
 - o All My Relations
- Attend relevant musical events and exhibits

Engage – Walk Your Talk

- Show up at rallies, community meetings, marches, church services
- Support Businesses owned by People of Color (POC):
 - o Black-Owned Businesses in Metro Detroit
 - o <u>Black-Owned Businesses To Support in the Ann Arbor Area</u>
 - o Native American-Owned Businesses in Metro Detroit and Ann Arbor
 - o Latinx/Hispanic Heritage Month 2020 (techtowndetroit.org)
 - o AAPI-Owned Businesses in Ann Arbor and Metro Detroit
- Support/visit anti-racism museums and introduce others:
 - African American Cultural & Historical Museum (aachmuseum@att.net)
 - o The Charles H Wright Museum of African American History (<u>www.thewright.org</u>) (Detroit)
- Support UUAA groups dedicated to anti-racism and anti-oppression (see AR/AO summary)
- Support UUA groups dedicated to racial justice:

ARE (Allies for Racial Equity); DRUUM (Diverse & Revolutionary UU Multicultural Ministers); BLUU (Black Lives of Unitarian Universalists)

- Support groups working towards racial and economic justice at local, state, or national level:
 - o PPC (Poor People's Campaign) begun by MLK, Jr.
 - o NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People)
 - LWV (League of Women Voters)
 - SPLC (Southern Poverty Law Center)
 - SURI (Standing Up for Racial Justice)
- Attend the Racial Justice Arc Action Group (RJAAG) monthly meetings:

(3rd Monday of each month at 6:30pm on zoom. Email RacialJusticeArc@uuaa.org.)

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