

A graphic novel of the violent life of an 11 year old gang member.

Ann Rinaldi

Come Juneteenth (Civil War)
The Education of Mary : a Little Miss of Color, 1832
The Ever-After Bird (Underground Railroad)
Hang a Thousand Trees with Ribbons : the Story of Phillis Wheatley
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The Letter Writer (Nat Turner's Rebellion)
Taking Liberty :the Story of Oney Judge, George Washington's Runaway Slave
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Wolf by the Ears (Thomas Jefferson's enslaved daughter)

Mildred Taylor

The Land
Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry
Let the Circle be Unbroken
Three stories of the Logan family from Reconstruction through the Depression.

Carole Boston Weatherford

Becoming Billie Holiday
Jazz vocalist Billie Holiday looks back on her early years in this fictional memoir written in verse.

Diane Lee Wilson

Black Storm Comin'
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Laurie Halse Anderson

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Two African American teens's loyalty is tested during the Revolutionary War.

M.T. Anderson

Volume 1: The Pox Party

Volume 2: The Kingdom on the Waves

Octavian, a young African American, is brought up as part of a science experiment during the American Revolution.

Katherine Ayres

North by Night : a Story of the Underground Railroad

Stealing South : a Story of the Underground Railroad

Teens help slaves escape along the Underground Railroad.

Elisa Carbone

Stealing Freedom

Twelve year old Ann Maria escapes on the Underground Railroad after her family is sold.

Chris Crowe

Mississippi Trial, 1955

A 16 year old and his grandfather struggle over the murder of a 14 year old African American from Chicago.

Christopher Paul Curtis

The Watsons Go to Birmingham-1963

The Watsons, an African American family from Flint, Michigan, are drastically changed after their visit to Alabama in the summer of 1963.

Sharon Draper

Copper Sun

Two teens, a slave and an indentured servant, escape a Carolina plantation to sanctuary in Florida.

Fire from the Rock

Sylvia Patterson is selected to integrate Little Rock's Central High in 1957.

Niki Grimes

Jazmin's Notebook

Teenager Jazmin records her life in 1960s Harlem in her diary and poems.

Traci L. Jones

Finding My Place

Tiphonie learns about prejudice as the only African American in her Denver high school in 1975.

Kathryn Lasky

True North

Lucy, 14, is influenced by her abolitionist grandfather in helping a fugitive slave girl.

Julius Lester

Day of Tears

Emma has raised the Butler girls, but now their father may sell Emma.

Guardian

A white man and his son witness the lynching of an innocent black man in 1946.

This Strange New Feeling

Love stories from the time of slavery.

Mary Lyons

Dear Ellen Bee : a Civil War Scrapbook of Two Union Spies

Letters from a Slave Boy : the Story of Joseph Jacobs

Letters from a Slave Girl : the Story of Harriet Jacobs

Kekla Magoon

Rock and the River

In 1968, 14 year old Sam is influenced by his father's nonviolence and his brother's ties to the Black Panthers.

Shelia P. Moses

The Baptism

Twelve-year-old Leon's 20th century town is still affected by its history of slavery.

The Legend of Buddy Bush

The Return of Buddy Bush

Pattie Mae, 12 years old in 1947, learns about her family's history in North Carolina and Harlem.

Walter Mosley

47

The 14 year-old slave named 47 learns about freedom from Tall John in 1832.

Walter Dean Myers

Fallen Angels

Richie Perry serves in Vietnam after high school.

The Glory Field

A family's 241 year history revolves around land in South Carolina they call the Glory Field.

Harlem Summer

Mark, 16, plays jazz in 1920s Harlem and gets involved with a gangster.

Riot

Claire, half African American and half black, is caught in the 1863 NYC draft riots.

Greg Neri

Yummy : the Last Days of a Southside Shorty