

## **Understanding Race and Racism: Black History Month II**

Continuing with Saint John's project in honor of Black History month, Connie DeSimone and Claudette Chmura have compiled **a second list** of films that can be streamed and viewed in the comfort of your own home. The streaming platforms are provided, and reviews/summaries can be found on the website Rotten Tomatoes. A third list will appear next week. Enjoy!

### Miss Juneteenth Movie

A single mom and former beauty queen living in Texas tries to prepare her daughter for the "Miss Juneteenth" all-black beauty pageant in the hopes of securing a brighter future for her daughter. (Vudu, Amazon Prime, Apple TV)

### Judas and the Black Messiah Movie

Based on a true story, an FBI informant infiltrates the Illinois Black Panther Party with devastating personal and social results. (Vudu, Amazon Prime, HBOMax, Apple TV)

### One Night in Miami Movie

In 1964, four icons of sports (Jim Brown and Cassius Clay), music (Sam Cooke), and activism (Malcolm X), gather to celebrate one of the biggest upsets in boxing history, the victory of Cassius Clay over heavyweight champion Sonny Liston. A fictional account, these icons discuss their roles in the Civil Rights Movement. (Vudu, HBOMax, Amazon Prime, Apple TV)

### If Beale Street Could Talk Movie

Based on the novel by James Baldwin, the film focuses on a young woman and the father of her child who must overcome the discrimination of 1970s Harlem. The father is wrongly accused of a crime, and the woman works to prove his innocence before the child is born. (Vudu, Hulu, Amazon Prime, Apple TV)

### Glory Movie

Considered to be one of the best Civil War movies ever made, this true story follows the first all-African-American regiment (the 54<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry) commended by Col. R. G. Shaw, a white officer in the Union Army. (Vudu, Amazon Prime, Apple TV)

### Harriet Movie

The true story of Harriet Tubman, an escaped slave who liberated hundreds of slaves through the Underground Railroad. (Vudu, Peacock, Amazon Prime, Aol TV)

### Becoming Documentary

Michelle Obama discusses her life and hopes for the future, including her experience as First Lady and wife to former president, Barack Obama. (Netflix)

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### King Richard Movie

Based on the life of Richard Williams, the father of legendary tennis players Serena and Venus Williams. The story chronicles the early years of training on Compton's neglected tennis courts, and defying discrimination and the insurmountable odds faced by the family. (Vudu, Amazon Prime, Apple TV)

### Passing Movie

In 1920s New York, a Black woman's world is upended when she encounters a former childhood friend who is "passing" as a white woman. (Netflix)

### Between The World And Me Documentary

Based on the memoir by Ta-Nehisi Coates, the film examines the experiences of being a Black man living in white America through performances and reenactments of incidents precipitated by discrimination and racism. (HBO)

### Hidden Figures Movie

Film tells the true story of three African-American women that were responsible for helping NASA launch astronaut John Glenn into orbit, which turned around the space race. The movie focuses not only on the achievements of the women, but the prejudice and discrimination they faced. (Vudu, Amazon Prime, Disney, Apple TV)