

The Eighteenth National African American Read-In

Sponsored by the Black Caucus of NCTE/4Cs

Sunday, February 4, 2007

**Monday, February 5, 2007
(For Schools)**

The following list contains selected works recommended by Black Caucus members. There are many other books by African Americans which we encourage you to read; this is a starter list and not intended to be all inclusive of other excellent works by African Americans. Join in and continue to enrich your lives after February by reading books by African Americans.

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Selected “Must Read” NEW RELEASES*

Recommended by Black Caucus Members
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TITLE

Bates, Karen Grigsby	<i>Chosen People</i> , Avon Books, 2006. Mystery
Butler, Octavia E.	<i>Fledgling</i> , Seven Stories Press, 2005. Novel
Cleage, Pearl	<i>Baby Brother’s Blues</i> , One World, 2006. Fiction <i>Babylon Sisters</i> , One World/Ballantine Books, 2005. Fiction
Draper, Sharon	<i>Copper Sun</i> , Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2006.
Evans, Mari	<i>Clarity as Concept: A Poet’s Perspective</i> , Third World Press, 2006. Essays <i>I’m Late: The Story of LaNeese and Moonlight and Alisha Who Didn’t Have Anyone of Her Own</i> , Just Us Books, 2006. Fiction [Ages 13-17]
Graham, Lawrence Otis	<i>The Senator and the Socialite: The True Story of America’s First Black Dynasty</i> , HarperCollins, 2006. Biography
Hunter-Gault, Charlayne	<i>New News Out of Africa: Uncovering Africa’s Renaissance</i> , Oxford University Press, 2006. Memoir/Essays
Jones, Edward P.	<i>All Aunt Hagar’s Children</i> , Amistad, 2006. Short Stories
Madgett, Naomi Long	<i>Pilgrim Journey</i> , Lotus Press, 2006. Autobiography
Obama, Barack	<i>The Audacity of Hope: Thoughts on Reclaiming the American Dream</i> , Crown Publishers, 2006.
Painter, Nell Irvin	<i>Creating Black Americans: African-American History and Its Meanings, 1619 to the Present</i> , Oxford University Press, 2006. History
Rhodes, Jewell Parker	<i>Voodoo Season: A Marie Laveau Mystery</i> , Artia Books, 2005. Fiction

Smitherman, Geneva

Word from the Mother: Language and African Americans,
Routledge Books, 2006.

*Updated November 3, 2006.