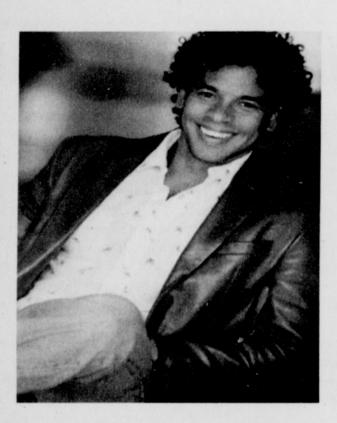
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and my mother taught me to read even before I began school. Mostly the little stories that they had in school books and fairy tales, such as Little Red Riding Hood, and those stories, just what they had for young children...it's very important. And I always liked to read, especially historic books. I still do like to read. –Rosa Parks



"when a black man is doing good... ...that means the city is doing good"



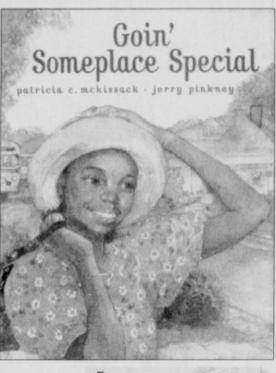


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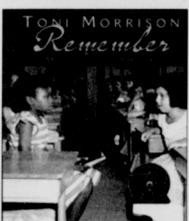
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Books to Celebrate The King Holiday











Coretta Scott King award winners

In celebration of the life and achievements of civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., the American Library Association annually honors African American authors and illustrators of outstanding books for children and young adults that demonstrate sensitivity to "the true worth and value of all beings" with the Coretta Scott King award.

The first presentation was in 1970 to Lillie Patterson, author of "Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.: Man of Peace."

One way parents and family members can celebrate Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day on Monday, Jan. 16 is by sharing the awardwinning books from the past five years:

"Remember: The Journey to School Integration," by Toni Morrison.

"Ellington Was Not a Street," Illustration by Kadir A. Nelson; text by Ntozake Shange.

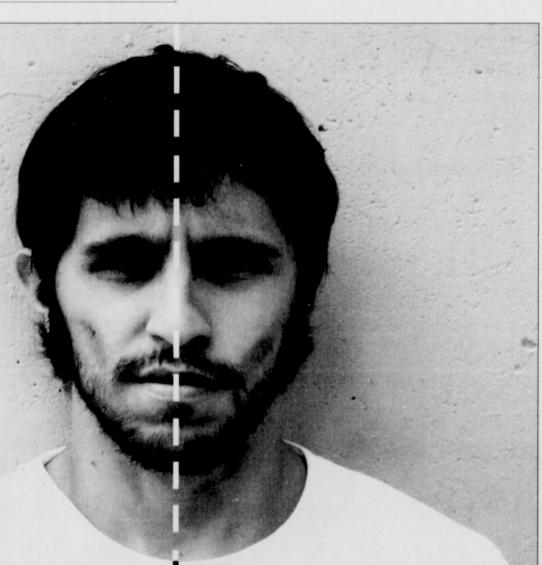
"The First Part Last," by Angela Johnson.

"Beautiful Blackbird," by Ashley Bryan.

"Bronx Masquerade," by Nikki Grimes.

"Talkin' About Bessie: The Story of Aviator Elizabeth Coleman," Illustration by E. B. Lewis.

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"The Land," by Mildred Taylor.

"Goin' Someplace Special," Illustration by Jerry Pinkney; text by Patricia McKissack.

"Miracle's Boys," by Jacqueline Woodson.

"Uptown," by Bryan Collier (Henry Holt).



The question is not whether we will be extremist but what kind of extremist will we be.

-Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. in his "Letter from Birmingham Jail," April 16, 1963