

Resources for RECEs and families to learn more about Black history

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Children's Book Recommendations



Hair Love by Matthew A. Cherry



Hair Love ABCs by Matthew A. Cherry



I Am Big by Itah Sadu



What's in the Cookie Tin?
by Yolanda T. Marshall



Don't Touch My Hair by Sharee Miller



Hello Hair by Anita Grant

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Short Film

• <u>Hair Love</u> – An Oscar®-winning animated short film from Matthew A. Cherry tells the heartfelt story of an African American father learning to do his daughter's hair for the first time.

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Articles

- <u>'We are all responsible for uplifting children,' Itah Sadu discusses race and hockey</u>
 Children's author and bookstore owner talks about her book *I Am Big* with Ali Hassan on The Next Chapter, CBC.
- The Erasure of Blackness and Shortcomings Within the Early Learning and Care Sector in Canada: Recommendations for the Way Forward by Evelyn Kissi and Anita Ewan
- How Families Can Support Black Children's Racial Identity by Ashleigh Craven
- Race in the Life of an Indo-Trinidadian Child: Debunking the Myth of "Racial Innocence" by Kerry-Ann Escayg
- "Who's got the power?": A critical examination of the anti-bias curriculum by Kerry-Ann Escayg

Blogs

- How to Use the Cycle of Socialization to Improve Your Social Justice Parenting
- How to Engage Kids in Learning About Microaggressions with a Virtual Reading Room

Websites

- <u>Black History Education Package</u> Includes a link to *Kayak* magazine that expands on Black history in Canada and provides additional educational materials.
- Toronto For All: Anti-Black Racism & Mental Health Resources
- Black History is Canadian History
- Research Snapshot: Family Experiences and Anti-Black Racism in Early Childhood Education
- Ontario Black History Society: A Resource for Educators to start the conversation

Books



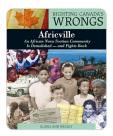
100 Accomplished Black Canadian Women

by Hon. Dr. Jean Augustine, Dauna Jones – Simmonds and Dr. Denise O'Neil Green



Talking About Freedom: Celebrating Emancipation Day in Canada

by Natasha L. Henry



Righting Canada's Wrongs: Africville: An African Nova Scotian Community Is Demolished — and Fights Back by Gloria Ann Wesley



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