



## CIRCLE America Book/Film Club



You're invited to our next CIRCLE America Book & Film Club on **Sunday, August 25, 2024**. Please join us from **3:00 - 4:30pm PT!**

### American Fiction (2023)

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"American Fiction" is a 2023 film directed by Cord Jefferson, based on the novel "Erasure" by Percival Everett. The story follows Thelonious "Monk" Ellison, an African American author and scholar disheartened by the literary industry's

preference for clichéd and stereotypical Black narratives. In a bold move, Monk writes a satirical novel under a pseudonym that exploits these stereotypes, and it unexpectedly becomes a bestseller. The film delves into themes of race, identity, and the commercialization of Black culture, offering a sharp critique of the way Black art is commodified and consumed in America.

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*CIRCLE America Book and Film Club is comprised of citizens from rural and urban environments who are willing to engage with different perspectives on a range of films, videos and books about race and equity in America.*

**When:** Sunday, August 25, 2024, 3:00 - 4:30 pm PT

**Where:** Zoom (please register with the link below - *this is a FREE event but we want to know who is coming*)

**What:** American Fiction (2023)

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On behalf of the CIRCLE America team, we would like to thank you all in advance for great honest, transparent discussion.

If you know someone who would like to be added to our mailing list and be notified of our upcoming discussions: please send their information to Gian Brazil (Executive Coordinator to Dr. Darya Funches) at [gian@reapunlimited.com](mailto:gian@reapunlimited.com).

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In Your Time: Additional Opportunities for the Hungry Leaders for Equity

**Bob Marley: One Love**

Bob Marley: One Love is a biopic that tells the story of Bob Marley's rise to





fame and lasting legacy as a reggae ambassador. The film focuses on pivotal moments in Marley's life, from his early music career with The Wailers to his solo success and political activism. Despite battling cancer, Marley continued to perform and inspire audiences until his untimely death in 1981, leaving behind a powerful musical legacy.

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## The Relationship Between Black Men & White Women

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## Berkeley News

This is an interview/article about the book written by Deidre Cooper Owens —**Medical Bondage: Race, Gender and the Origins of American Gynecology**. We discussed this topic

in May 2024

[Click to See the Interview/Article](#)

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**FIRING LINE**  
with MARGARET HOOVER

### Coleman Hughes on Firing Line

Coleman Hughes, podcast host and author of "The End of Race Politics", argues for a colorblind America. He critiques affirmative action and DEI, calls some anti-racism efforts "neoracist", and discusses why he prefers class-based policies.

[Click to Watch Interview](#)

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### Cabrini (Film)

Cabrini, a biopic of the Patron Saint of Immigrants, tells a story of resilience in the face of resistance. After an Italian nun moves to Five Points in New York City, Francesca Cabrini fights against the Archbishop, mayor, and overt xenophobia to build an orphanage for impoverished Italian-Americans. With



entrepreneurship, grit, and boldness, Cabrini creates a home full of compassion and a legacy that's everlasting.

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*Although we are launching this in WA, people are welcome to attend from wherever they live in this country if invited by those who have been attending. We ask all to register.*

*We normally record sessions, and these are confidential to those who register and attend that particular session. All who attend agree to keep this a safe place to learn and share.*

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*CIRCLE America Launch Team:*

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