

Book Buzz

so many books...so little time

Popular Black Fiction

Baisden, Michael. *God's Gift to Women.* 2002. Collection: Fiction Call #: Baisden

Julian, a charming radio advice-show host, captivates thousands of women nightly. When he has a one-night stand with Olivia Brown he gets much more than he expected.

Also available: LP

Briscoe, Connie. *P. G. County.* 2002. Collection: Fiction Call #: Briscoe

In an affluent African-American suburb of Washington, D. C. five women try to hide the scandalous secrets of their private lives.

Also available: LP

Campbell, Bebe Moore. *What You Owe Me.* 2001. Collection: Fiction Call #: Campbell

The ill-fated friendship of a female German concentration camp survivor and a rural African-America woman brings resentment to both of their families. Strength, determination and love shine through.

Also available: LP, cassette, CD

Cooper, J. California. *Some People, Some Other Place.* 2004. Collection: Fiction

Call #: Cooper

An unborn child chronicles the lives of her family. They encounter hardships and are swept by social change from the post Civil War South to arrive in modern times at a house on Dream Street in a town called Place.

Dickey, Eric Jerome. *Drive Me Crazy.* 2004. Collection: Fiction Call #: Dickey

Driver is an ex-con who now owes \$15,000 to an ex-lover who also happens to be the wife of his new employer. The money was a payment for a hit on the woman's husband. These are just a few of the hairpin turns the plot takes as it careens between humor, steamy bedroom scenes, and dangerous scrapes with deadly characters.

Harris, E. Lynn. *A Love of My Own.* 2002. Collection: Fiction Call #: Harris

Raymond Tyler and Zola Norwood are each looking for a good man to love. . Harris' companion to Not a Day Goes By features sensational events and sparkling characters.

Also available: LP, CD

Jones, Edward P. *The Known World*. 2003. Collection: Fiction Call #: Jones

This 2004 Pulitzer Prize novel examines the complex legal, social and moral issues of slavery. Henry Townsend's relationships with his former master, his neighbors, his family and his own slaves give startling perspectives on this painful time in our history.

Also available: LP, cassette

McMillan, Terry. *A Day Late and A Dollar Short*. 2001. Collection: Fiction

Call #: McMillan

Mama Viola's severe asthma attack brings her four grown children and her estranged husband back into each other's lives. It is an insightful and realistic rendering of unresolved family problems that people carry through their lives.

Also available: LP, cassette, CD

Monroe, Mary. *God Don't Like Ugly*. 2000. Collection: Fiction Call #: Monroe

Annette and her mother take in a boarder. Bible quoting Mr. Boatwright sexually abuses Annette for years. Lonely and overweight, Annette has few friends until Rhonda comes to her aid.

Also available: LP

Morrison, Mary B. *He's Just a Friend*. 2003. Collection: Fiction Call #: Morrison

Fancy Taylor dates 26 men in a year searching for a rich husband. She falls for the "perfect man" only to find out that he's already married. Fancy has to decide what she wants most in life.

Morrison, Toni. *Love*. 2003. Collection: Fiction Call #: Morrison

For six women, wealthy resort owner Bill Cosey fills the need for love in various ways. The relationships of these small town women hold them embroiled long after Cosey is dead.

Also available: LP

Mosley, Walter. *Little Scarlet*. 2004. Collection: Fiction Call #: Mosley

After the Watts Riots in the summer of 1965, the white LAPD officially ask for Easy Rawlings help solve a murder. Street toughened Rawlings and his dangerous friends are determined to find the white suspect.

Also available: LP, cassette

Roby, Kimba Lawson. *Too Much of a Good Thing*. 2004. Collection: Fiction

Call #: Roby

Curtis Black is a sexy and charming minister is busy manipulating the church deacons and having steamy affairs with attractive female parishioners. This sequel to Casting the First Stone finds Curtis up to his old tricks.

Also available: LP