

# ***We Recommend...[Black History Month – For Your Viewing & Listening Pleasure] / Black Reel Films***

## **808's and Heartbreak**

West, Kanye / CD Popular West

## **Feeling Good** (CD)

Crawford, Randy and Joe Sample / CD Jazz Blues Crawford

## **I Am** (CD)

Beyonce / CD Popular Beyon

## **Ladies Sing the Blues** (CD)

Various artists / BH CD Jazz/Blues Lad/CD Jazz/Blues Lad

## **Rated R** (CD)

Rihanna / CD Popular Rihaan

## **Thriller 25** (CD)

Jackson, Michael / CD Popular Jacks 2008

## **VH1 Storytellers** CD

Keyes, Alicia / CD Jaxx-Blues Keys

## **12 Years a Slave** (DVD)

DVD Fic Twelv/ Blu-ray Fic Twelv

*Solomon Northrup, a free black man from upstate New York, is abducted and sold into slavery.*

## **A Raisin in the Sun** (DVD)

DVD Fic Raisi/DVD Black Heritage Fic Raisi

*A poor black family receives a substantial insurance payment which could mean either financial blessings or ruin.*

## **Akeelah and the Bee** (DVD)

DVD Fic Akeel

*A young girl from South Los Angeles tries to make it to the National Spelling Bee.*

## **Amistad** (DVD)

DVD Fic Amist/ Blu-ray Fic Amist

*About a 1839 mutiny aboard a slave ship that is traveling towards the northeastern coast of America. .*

## **Antwone Fisher** (DVD)

Blu-ray Fic Antwo

*Antwone Fisher, a young navy man, is forced to see a psychiatrist after a violent outburst against a fellow crewman.*

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## **Cool Runnings** (DVD)

DVD FIC Cool

*The story of four Jamaicans who have an impossible dream – competing in the Olympics in bobsled racing.*

## **Coming to America** (DVD)

DVD Fic Comin/Blu-ray Fic Comin

*An African prince goes to Queens, New York City to find a wife whom he can respect for her intelligence and will*

## **Diary of a Mad Black Woman** (DVD)

DVD FIC Diary

*A couple with a good marriage that seems solid begins to crumble when she discovers her husband's intentions for divorce.*

## **Django Unchained** (DVD)

DVD Fic Djang

*A freed slave sets out to rescue his wife from a brutal Mississippi plantation owner.*

## **Dreamgirls** (DVD)

DVD FIC Dream

*A trio of black female soul singers cross over to the pop charts in the early 1960s.*

## **Driving Miss Daisy** (DVD)

DVD Fic Drivi / Blu-ray Fic Drivi

*An old Jewish woman and her African-American driver in the deep South have a relationship that evolves over the years.*

## **Guess Who's Coming to Dinner** (DVD)

DVD FIC Guess

*Academy Award winning actor Sidney Poitier stars in a film about interracial marriage in the 1960s.*

## **Hotel Rwanda** (DVD)

DVD Fic Hotel/Blu-ray Fic Hotel

*The true story of Paul Rusesabagina, a hotel manager who housed over a thousand Tutsi refugees during their struggle against the Hutu militia in Rwanda.*

## **Ray** (DVD)

DVD Fic Ray / Blu-ray Fic Ray

*The story of the life and career of rhythm and blues musician Ray Charles, from his humble beginnings in the South, where he went blind at age seven, to his rise to stardom during the 1950s and 1960s.*

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## **Roots** (DVD)

DVD FIC Roots episodes 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 2007 documentary

*Based on the book by Alex Haley which chronicles an African American's search for his heritage.*

## **The Gospel** (DVD)

DVD FIC Gospe

*A successful young R&B singer has an unlikely homecoming when his father, a bishop, becomes ill.*

## **The Green Mile** (DVD)

DVD Fic Green

*A black prisoner accused of child murder and rape has an impact on the lives of the Death Row guards.*

## **The Great Debaters** (DVD)

DVD Fic Great/ Blu-ray Fic Great

*The true story of Melvin B. Tolson, a professor at Wiley College Texas. In 1935, he inspired students to form the school's first debate team, which went on to challenge Harvard in the national championship.*

## **The Help** (DVD)

DVD FIC Help

*In Mississippi during the 1960s Skeeter, a southern society girl, returns from college determined to become a writer, but turns her friends' lives, and a small Mississippi town, upside down when she decides to interview the black women who have spent their lives taking care of prominent southern families. Aibileen, Skeeter's best friend's housekeeper, is the first to open up, to the dismay of her friends in the tight-knit black community.*

## **The Nutty Professor** (DVD)

DVD Fic Nutty

*Overweight Prof. Sherman Klump, desperate to lose weight takes a special chemical that turns him into the slim but obnoxious Buddy Love.*

## **The Princess and the Frog** (DVD)

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*A waitress, wanting to fulfill her dreams as a restaurant owner, is set on a journey to turn a frog prince back into a human being, but she has to face the same problem after she kisses him.*

## **The Pursuit of Happyness** (DVD)

DVD Fic Pursu

*A struggling salesman takes custody of his son as he begins a life-changing professional endeavor*

## **The Wiz** (DVD)

DVD Fic Wiz/ Blu-ray Fic Wiz

*An adaption of "The Wizard of Oz" that portrays the essence of the African American experience.*