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Making The Black Jacobins
Northwestern University
Press
Marxism and
Decolonization in the 21st
Century is a ground-
breaking work that
highlights the resurgence
and insurgence of Marxism
and decolonization, and the
ways in which
decolonization and
decoloniality are grounded
in the contributions of Black
Marxism, the Radical Black
tradition, and anti-colonial
liberation traditions.
Featuring leading and young
scholars and activists, this
book is a practical scholarly
intervention that shows how
democratic Marxism and
decoloniality might
converge to provoke
planetary decolonization in
the 21st century. At the
centre of this process,
enabled by both increasing

human entanglements and the
resilience of racism, the
volume's contributors
analyse converging forces of
anti-imperialism, anti-
colonialism, anti-patriarchy,
anti-sexism, Indigenous
People's movements, eco-
feminist formations, and
intellectual movements
levelled against
Eurocentrism. This book will
be of great interest to
students, scholars, and
intellectuals interested in
Marxism, decolonization,
and transnational activism.
Race Rebels Basic Books
Cedric J. Robinson offers a
new understanding of race
in America through his
analysis of theater and film
of the early twentieth
century. He argues that
economic, political, and
cultural forces present in the
eras of silent film and the
early "talkies" firmly

entrenched limited representations of African Americans. Robinson grounds his study in contexts that illuminate the parallel growth of racial beliefs and capitalism, beginning with Shakespearean England and the development of international trade. He demonstrates how the needs of American commerce determined the construction of successive racial regimes that were publicized in the theater and in motion pictures, particularly through plantation and jungle films. In addition to providing new depth and complexity to the history of black representation, Robinson examines black resistance to these practices. Whereas D. W. Griffith appropriated black minstrelsy and romanticized a national myth of origins, Robinson

argues that Oscar Micheaux transcended uplift films to create explicitly political critiques of the American national myth. Robinson's analysis marks a new way of approaching the intellectual, political, and media racism present in the beginnings of American narrative cinema. [Decolonial Marxism](#) Verso Books In *A Death in Harlem*, famed scholar Karla FC Holloway weaves a mystery in the bon vivant world of the Harlem Renaissance. Taking as her point of departure the tantalizingly ambiguous “ death by misadventure ” at the climax of Nella Larsen ’ s *Passing*, Holloway accompanies readers to the sunlit boulevards and shaded sidestreets of Jazz Age New York. A murder there will test the mettle, resourcefulness, and intuition of Harlem ’ s first “ colored ” policeman, Weldon Haynie Thomas. Clear glass towers rising in Manhattan belie a city where people are often not what they seem. For some here, identity is a performance of passing—passing

for another race, for another class,
for someone safe to trust.
Thomas ' s investigation
illuminates the societies and secret
societies, the intricate code of
manners, the world of letters, and
the broad social currents of 1920s
Harlem. *A Death in Harlem* is an
exquisitely crafted, briskly paced,
and impeccably stylish journey
back to a time still remembered as a
peak of American glamour. It
introduces Holloway as a fresh
voice in storytelling, and Weldon
Haynie Thomas as an endearing
and unforgettable detective.

Marxism and Decolonization in the 21st Century Random House

A searing portrait of
the racial dynamics
that lie inescapably at
the heart of our nation,
told through the
turbulent history of the
city of St. Louis. From
Lewis and Clark's 1804
expedition to the 2014
uprising in Ferguson,

American history has
been made in St. Louis.
And as Walter Johnson
shows in this searing
book, the city
exemplifies how
imperialism, racism,
and capitalism have
persistently entwined
to corrupt the nation's
past. St. Louis was a
staging post for Indian
removal and imperial
expansion, and its
wealth grew on the
backs of its poor black
residents, from slavery
through redlining and
urban renewal. But it
was once also
America's most radical
city, home to anti-
capitalist immigrants,
the Civil War's first
general emancipation,
and the nation's first
general strike—a legacy
of resistance that

endures. A blistering history of a city's rise and decline, *The Broken Heart of America* will forever change how we think about the United States.

Cedric J. Robinson Encounter Books

Ever since its first publication in 1992, *The End of History and the Last Man* has provoked controversy and debate. Francis Fukuyama's prescient analysis of religious fundamentalism, politics, scientific progress, ethical codes, and war is as essential for a world fighting fundamentalist terrorists as it was for the end of the Cold War. Now updated with a new afterword, *The End of History and the Last Man* is a modern classic.

[Black Marxism](#) Harvard University Press

Cedric Robinson traces the emergence of Black political cultures in the

United States from slave resistances in the 16th and 17th centuries to the civil rights movements of the present. Drawing on the historical record, he argues that Blacks have constructed both a culture of resistance and a culture of accommodation based on the radically different experiences of slaves and free Blacks.

Black Marxism Simon and Schuster

W. E. B. Du Bois and *The Souls of Black Folk*

Histories of Racial Capitalism UNC Press Books

The relationship between race and capitalism is one of the most enduring and controversial historical debates. The concept of racial capitalism offers a way out of this impasse. Racial capitalism is not simply a permutation, phase, or stage in the

larger history of capitalism—since the beginning of the Atlantic slave trade and the colonization of the Americas, capitalism, in both material and ideological senses, has been racial, deriving social and economic value from racial classification and stratification. Although Cedric J. Robinson popularized the term, racial capitalism has remained undertheorized for nearly four decades. *Histories of Racial Capitalism* brings together for the first time distinguished and rising scholars to consider the utility of the concept across historical settings. These scholars offer dynamic accounts of the relationship between social relations of exploitation and the racial terms through which they were organized, justified, and contested. Deploying

an eclectic array of methods, their works range from indigenous mortgage foreclosures to the legacies of Atlantic-world maroons, from imperial expansion in the continental United States and beyond to the racial politics of municipal debt in the New South, from the ethical complexities of Latinx banking to the postcolonial dilemmas of extraction in the Caribbean. Throughout, the contributors consider and challenge how some claims about the history and nature of capitalism are universalized while others remain marginalized. By theorizing and testing the concept of racial capitalism in different historical circumstances, this book shows its analytical and political power for today's scholars and activists.

491 Days UNC Press Books
Do we live in basically orderly

societies that occasionally erupt into violent conflict, or do we fail to perceive the constancy of violence and disorder in our societies? In this classic book, originally published in 1980, Cedric J. Robinson contends that our perception of political order is an illusion, maintained in part by Western political and social theorists who depend on the idea of leadership as a basis for describing and prescribing social order. Using a variety of critical approaches in his analysis, Robinson synthesizes elements of psychoanalysis, structuralism, Marxism, classical and neoclassical political philosophy, and cultural anthropology in order to argue that Western thought on leadership is mythological rather than rational. He then presents examples of historically developed "stateless" societies with social organizations that suggest conceptual alternatives to the ways political order has been

conceived in the West. Examining Western thought from the vantage point of a people only marginally integrated into Western institutions and intellectual traditions, Robinson's perspective radically critiques fundamental ideas of leadership and order.

End of History and the Last Man Routledge

C. L. R. James's *The Black Jacobins* remains one of the great works of the twentieth century and the cornerstone of Haitian revolutionary studies. In *Making The Black Jacobins*, Rachel Douglas traces the genesis, transformation, and afterlives of James's landmark work across the decades from the 1930s on. Examining the 1938 and 1963 editions of *The Black Jacobins*, the 1967 play of the same name, and James's 1936 play, *Toussaint Louverture*—as

well as manuscripts, notes, interviews, and other texts—Douglas shows how James continuously rewrote and revised his history of the Haitian Revolution as his politics and engagement with Marxism evolved. She also points to the vital significance theater played in James's work and how it influenced his views of history. Douglas shows *The Black Jacobins* to be a palimpsest, its successive layers of rewriting renewing its call to new generations.

The Terms of Order

Penguin UK

Cedric Robinson was one of the most important and influential Black radical scholars of recent times, best known for the pathbreaking *Black Marxism: The Making of the Black Radical Tradition*. In this late major work, he turns his attention to European radical traditions

and explores a genealogy of emancipatory thought and practice that predates Marxism and capitalism itself, and which continues to guide struggles for liberation today. Accompanied by a foreword by H. L.T. Quan and a preface by Avery Gordon, this invaluable text reimagines the communal ideal from a broader perspective that transcends modernity, industrialisation and capitalism.

We Are Worth Fighting For

Routledge

Cedric J. Robinson is considered one of the doyens of Black Studies and a pioneer in study of the Black Radical Tradition. His works have been essential texts, deconstructing racial capitalism and inspiring insurgent movements from Ferguson to the

West Bank. For the first time, Robinson's essays come together, spanning over four decades and reflective of his diverse interests in the interconnections between culture and politics, radical social theory and classic and modern political philosophy. Themes explored include Africa and Black internationalism, World politics, race and US Foreign Policy, representations of blackness in popular culture, and reflections on popular resistance to racial capitalism, white supremacy and more. Accompanied by an introduction by H. L. T. Quan and a foreword by Ruth Wilson Gilmore, this collection, which includes previously unpublished

materials, extends the many contributions by a giant in Black radical thought.

BLM Rowman & Littlefield
In this ambitious work, first published in 1983, Cedric Robinson demonstrates that efforts to understand Black people's history of resistance solely through the prism of Marxist theory are incomplete and inaccurate. Marxist analyses tend to presuppose European models of history and experience that downplay the significance of Black people and Black communities as agents of change and resistance. Black radicalism, Robinson argues, must be linked to the traditions of Africa and the unique experiences of Blacks on western continents, and any analyses of African American history need to acknowledge this. To illustrate his argument, Robinson traces the emergence of Marxist ideology in Europe, the resistance by Blacks in

historically oppressive environments, and the influence of both of these traditions on such important twentieth-century Black radical thinkers as W. E. B. Du Bois, C. L. R. James, and Richard Wright. This revised and updated third edition includes a new preface by Tiffany Willoughby-Herard, and a new foreword by Robin D. G. Kelley.

Marxism and Freedom

Verso Books

Cedric Robinson – political theorist, historian, and activist – was one of the greatest black radical thinkers of the twentieth century. In this powerful work, the first major book to tell his story, Joshua Myers shows how Robinson’s work interrogated the foundations of western political thought, modern capitalism, and changing meanings of race.

Tracing the course of Robinson’s journey from his early days as an agitator in the 1960s to his publication of such seminal works as *Black Marxism*, Myers frames Robinson’s mission as aiming to understand and practice opposition to “the terms of order.” In so doing, Robinson excavated the Black Radical tradition as a form of resistance that imagined that life on wholly different terms was possible. In the era of Black Lives Matter, that resistance is as necessary as ever, and Robinson’s contribution only gains in importance. This book is essential reading for anyone wanting to learn more about it.

Futures of Black Radicalism
Columbia University Press

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Wright. This revised and updated third edition includes a new preface by Tiffany Willoughby-Herard, and a new foreword by Robin D. G. Kelley.

Property, Institutions, and Social Stratification in Africa Black Critique

A groundbreaking contribution to the history of the "long Civil Rights movement," Hammer and Hoe tells the story of how, during the 1930s and 40s, Communists took on Alabama's repressive, racist police state to fight for economic justice, civil and political rights, and racial equality. The Alabama Communist Party was made up of working people without a Euro-American radical political tradition: devoutly religious and semiliterate black laborers and sharecroppers, and a

handful of whites, including unemployed industrial workers, housewives, youth, and renegade liberals. In this book, Robin D. G. Kelley reveals how the experiences and identities of these people from Alabama's farms, factories, mines, kitchens, and city streets shaped the Party's tactics and unique political culture. The result was a remarkably resilient movement forged in a racist world that had little tolerance for radicals. After discussing the book's origins and impact in a new preface written for this twenty-fifth-anniversary edition, Kelley reflects on what a militantly antiracist, radical movement in the heart of Dixie might teach

contemporary social movements confronting rampant inequality, police violence, mass incarceration, and neoliberalism.

Ecofeminism as Politics

Verso Books

In this classic exposition of Marxist thought, Raya Dunayevskaya, with clarity and great insight, traces the development and explains the essential features of Marx's analysis of history. Using as her point of departure the Industrial and French Revolutions, the European upheavals of 1848, the American Civil War, and the Paris Commune of 1871, Dunayevskaya shows how Marx, inspired by these events, adapted Hegel's philosophy to analyze the course of history as a dialectical process that moves "from practice to theory." The essence of Marx's philosophy, as Dunayevskaya points out, is the human struggle for freedom, which entails the

gradual emergence of a proletarian revolutionary consciousness and the discovery through conflict of the means for realizing complete human freedom. But freedom for Marx meant freedom not only from capitalist economic exploitation but also from all political restraints. Continuing her historical analysis, Dunayevskaya reveals how completely Marx's original conception of freedom was perverted through its adaptations by Stalin in Russia and Mao in China, and the subsequent erection of totalitarian states. The exploitation of the masses persisted under these regimes in the form of a new "state capitalism." Yet despite the profound derailment of Marxist political philosophy in the twentieth century, Dunayevskaya points to developments such as the Hungarian revolt of 1956, and the Civil Rights struggles in the United States as signs that the indomitable quest for

freedom on the part of the downtrodden cannot be forever repressed. The Hegelian dialectic of events propelled by the spirit of the masses thus moves on inexorably with the hope for the future achievement of political, economic, and social freedom and equality for all.

Black Movements in America Duke University Press

The story of the black freedom struggle in America has been overwhelmingly male-centric, starring leaders like Martin Luther King, Jr., Malcolm X, and Huey Newton. With few exceptions, black women have been perceived as supporting actresses; as behind-the-scenes or peripheral activists, or rank and file party members. But what about Vicki Garvin, a Brooklyn-born activist who became a leader of the National Negro Labor

Council and guide to Malcolm X on his travels through Africa? What about Shirley Chisholm, the first black Congresswoman? From Rosa Parks and Esther Cooper Jackson, to Shirley Graham DuBois and Assata Shakur, a host of women demonstrated a lifelong commitment to radical change, embracing multiple roles to sustain the movement, founding numerous groups and mentoring younger activists. Helping to create the groundwork and continuity for the movement by operating as local organizers, international mobilizers, and charismatic leaders, the stories of the women profiled in *Want to Start a Revolution?* help shatter the pervasive and imbalanced image of women on the sidelines of the black freedom struggle. Contributors: Margo Natalie

Crawford, Prudence
Cumberbatch, Johanna
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*Black Marxism: The
Making of the Black
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Black Marxism Simon
and Schuster
The Howard University
protests from the
perspective and
worldview of its
participants *We Are
Worth Fighting For* is the
first history of the 1989
Howard University
protest. The three-day

occupation of the university's Administration Building was a continuation of the student movements of the sixties and a unique challenge to the politics of the eighties. Upset at the university's appointment of the Republican strategist Lee Atwater to the Board of Trustees, students forced the issue by shutting down the operations of the university. The protest, inspired in part by the emergence of "conscious" hip hop, helped to build support for the idea of student governance and drew upon a resurgent black nationalist ethos. At the center of this story is a student organization known as Black Nia F.O.R.C.E. Co-founded by

Ras Baraka, the group was at the forefront of organizing the student mobilization at Howard during the spring of 1989 and thereafter. *We Are Worth Fighting For* explores how black student activists—young men and women—helped shape and resist the rightward shift and neoliberal foundations of American politics. This history adds to the literature on Black campus activism, Black Power studies, and the emerging histories of African American life in the 1980s.