

BLACK HANDS: BUILDERS OF OUR NATION

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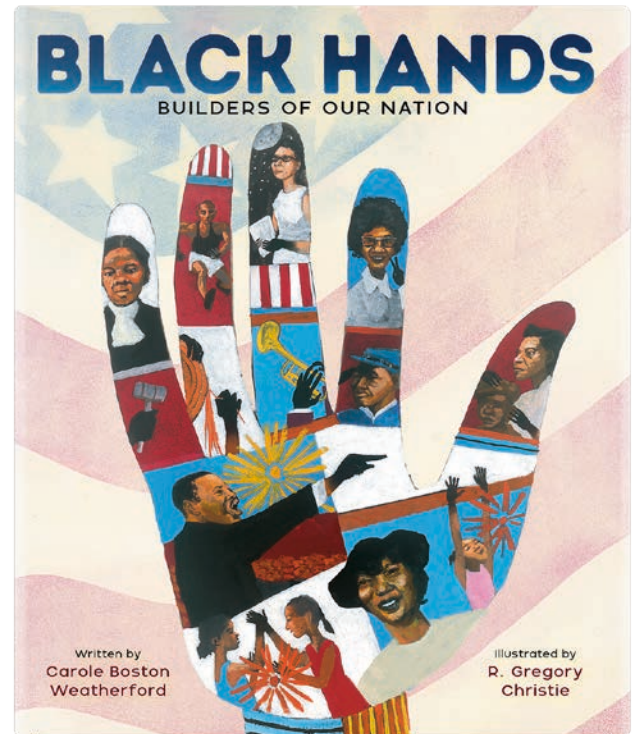


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ABOUT THE BOOK

Since the United States won independence in 1776, African Americans have contributed greatly to the nation's culture, politics, economy, and landscape. *Black Hands* celebrates the countless contributions of African Americans—from building the White House, birthing jazz, and landing a man on the moon to pushing for social justice. Black excellence, however, has too often been overlooked.



Black Hands reunites Newbery Honor winner Carole Boston Weatherford and Coretta Scott King Award-winning illustrator R. Gregory Christie to chronicle the remarkable contributions and progress of African Americans, even in the face of adversity.



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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS FOR BEFORE AND AFTER READING

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BEFORE STARTING THE STORY

Show readers the cover of the book and read the title and the subtitle aloud to them. Based on the title of the book and the images on the jacket, ask them to make predictions about the story.

AFTER THE STORY

Share the backmatter with readers. Select one of the topics covered and do a deep dive into the history of one of the people, places, or events featured throughout the pages of this book.



LOOKING BACK TO LOOK FORWARD

Black Hands celebrates the countless contributions of African Americans throughout US history. Think of a present day African American who you admire and create a portrait of them below.



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