

**Sunday, April 22nd: 2 PM**

## ***The Good Lord Bird***

by James McBride

Discussant: Dr. Lee Vartanian

Greenwood County Library - American Veterans Auditorium

Fleeing his violent master at the side of legendary abolitionist John Brown at the height of the slavery debate in mid-19th-century Kansas Territory, Henry pretends to be a girl to hide his identity throughout the historic raid on Harpers Ferry in 1859. By the best-selling author of *The Color of Water*. Winner of the National Book Award.



**Sunday, April 29th: 7 PM**

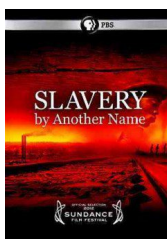
## ***The Robert Gardiner Jazz Ensemble***

Lander University's Abney Cultural Center Auditorium

320 Stanley Avenue, Greenwood, SC 29649

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The Friends of the Greenwood County Library System and Lander's Diversity Advisory Council



**Sunday, May 6th: 2 PM**

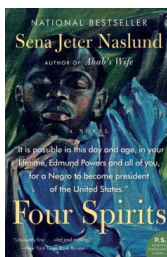
## ***Slavery by Another Name***

PG; 90 Minutes

Facilitator/ Discussant: Dr. Daniel Kavish

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A documentary which takes a look at various instances where slavery has continued to exist in America even in the many years following its supposed abolition



**Sunday, May 20th: 2 PM**

## ***Four spirits : a novel***

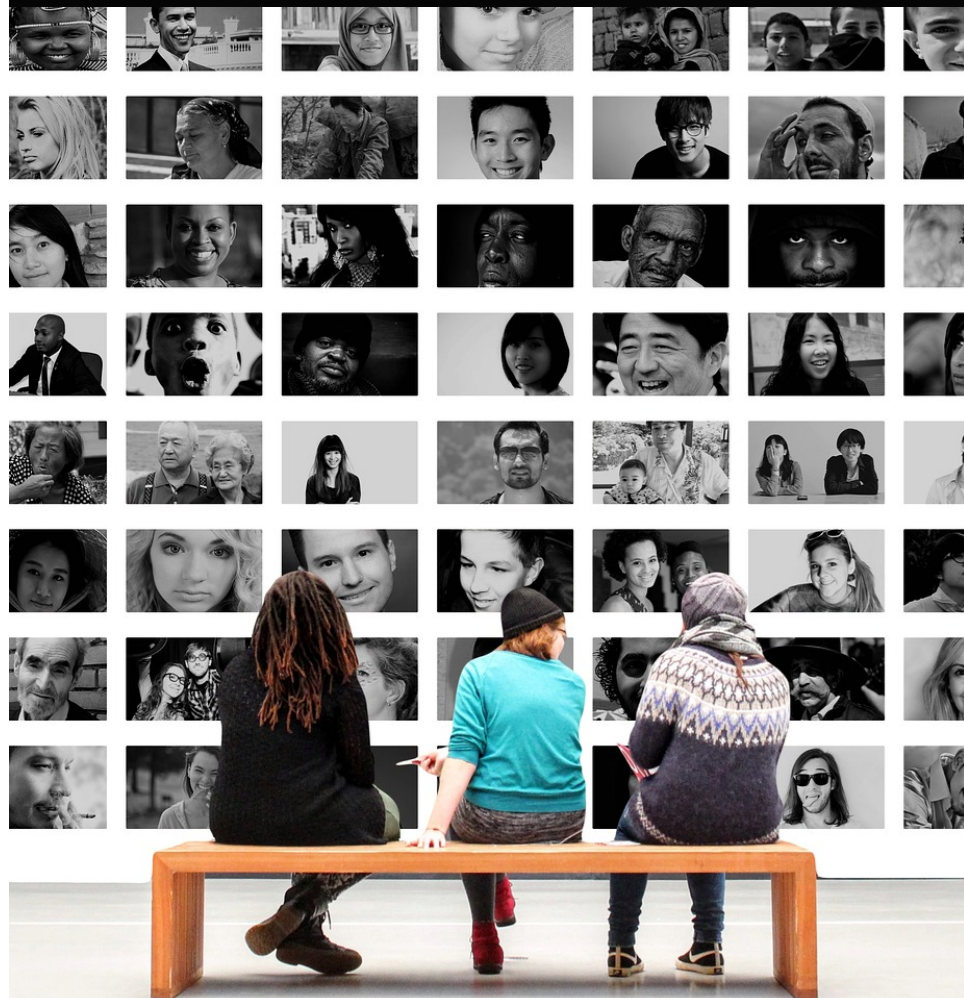
by Sena Jeter Naslund

Discussant: Lisa Wiecki

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In the wake of racial tensions in 1960s Alabama, sheltered white college student Stella participates in her first freedom movement and finds her life changed forever in both character-building and dangerous ways when she develops friendships with local African Americans.

# Let's Talk about Race in America



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## About this Program

Please join us this spring as Greenwood comes together to celebrate diversity and multicultural appreciation in our community. One of the best aspects of living in Greenwood is the range of differences in the people who live here. Whites, Blacks, Hispanics, Asians, gays, lesbians, Christians, Jews, Muslims, Hindus, atheists, rich, poor, middle class... we all call Greenwood home.

Across the nation, we find today too much fractious discourse that pits people in various social groups against one another. While Greenwood has been spared much of the polarization and division found in other parts of the country, there is a sense among many of us that we can do better – that we can and must work harder to reach out to and better understand people who are different from ourselves.

"Let's Talk About Race in America" is a three-month series of events sponsored by Greenwood County Library, **The Friends of the Greenwood County Library System**, Starz24 Josh Norman, the SC Humanities Council, Lander University, GLEAMNS, and Duke Energy. We are proud to host a number of enlightening and entertaining events for the whole community including book readings and discussions; film screenings and debate; public lectures; social gatherings; and a jazz concert. There will be events for adults, children, and everyone in between.

We invite your participation in this incredible series and hope you will help us to locally reaffirm the sacred motto of this great country – *E Pluribus Unum* (Out of Many, One).

*Honest communication is built on truth and integrity and upon respect of the one for the other. - Dr. Benjamin E. Mays*

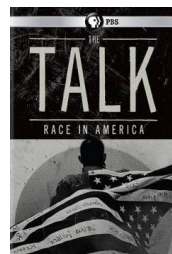
## Schedule of Events



**Sunday, February 18th: 2 PM**

**Dr. Benjamin E. Mays Presentation**

Presenter: Christopher Thomas  
Dr. Benjamin E. Mays Historic Preservation Site  
located at Gleamns Human Resources Commission  
237 N Hospital ST



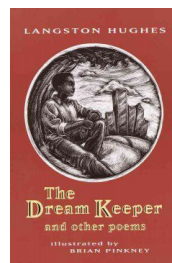
**Sunday, March 4th: 2 PM**

***The Talk: Race in America***

PG; 120 Minutes.

Facilitator/ Discussants: Christopher Thomas and  
Dr. Daniel Harrison

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Interviews various members of the African-American  
community about the conversation they have with their  
children teaching them how to behave if they are ever stopped  
by the police.



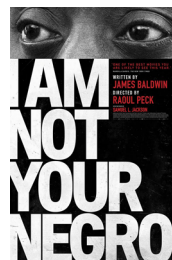
**Sunday, March 18th: 2 PM**

***The Dream Keeper and Other Poems***

by Langston Hughes

Discussant: Rachel Scoggins

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Sixty-six poems selected by the author include lyrical poems,  
songs, and blues, many exploring the Black experience



**Sunday, April 8th: 2 PM**

***I Am Not Your Negro***

PG-13; 94 Minutes.

Facilitator/Discussant: Dr. John Moore

Greenwood County Library - American Veterans Auditorium  
In 1979, James Baldwin wrote a letter to his literary agent  
describing his next project, "Remember This House," a  
personal account of the lives and assassinations of three of his  
close friends: Medgar Evers, Malcolm X and Martin Luther  
King, Jr. At the time of Baldwin's death in 1987, he left behind  
only 30 completed pages of this manuscript. Filmmaker Raoul  
Peck envisions the book James Baldwin never finished.