



# HONORING WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

## BOOK CELEBRATIONS



Learning and growing together

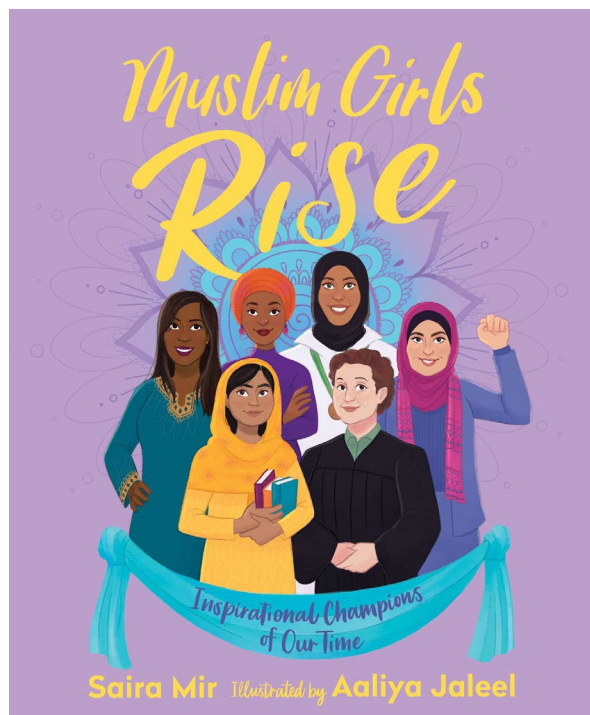
Welcome to another installment of Book Celebrations where we offer book recommendations to honor different cultural and advocacy months. For March, we look to incredible women for Women's History Month as well as Irish American Heritage, National Deaf History, and Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month. Happy reading!

### DO YOU HAVE BOOKS YOU WISH TO DONATE?

Please consider getting in touch with Atlantic Street Center to coordinate a book drop-off. We have a partnership with the 23<sup>rd</sup> & Jackson Starbucks; they have a community library. Help us rotate new books in each month with your donations. [Reach out here.](#)



## BOOKS FOR KIDS



Children > Biographies

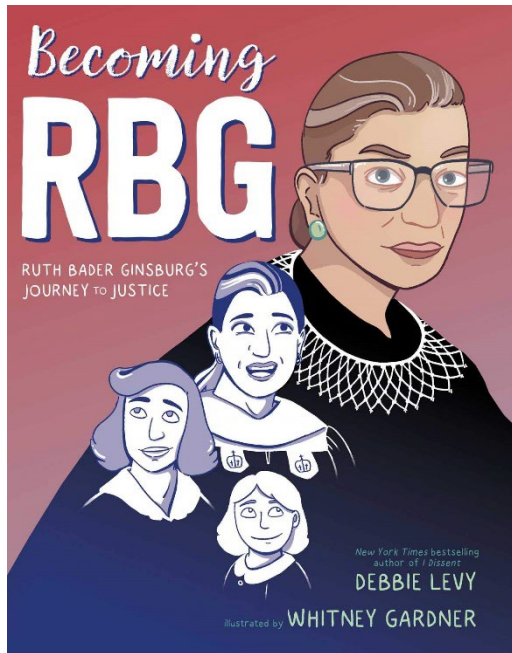
### **Muslim Girls Rise**

by Saira Mir | Illustrated by Aaliya Jaleel

Here are true stories of nineteen unstoppable Muslim women of the twenty-first century who rose above challenges.

Never taking "no" for an answer, these women would go on to be experts in culinary arts, fashion, sports, government, science, and more. Filled with incredible illustrations, each short biography showcases a role model and their fantastic journey.

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Children > Historical Graphic Novel

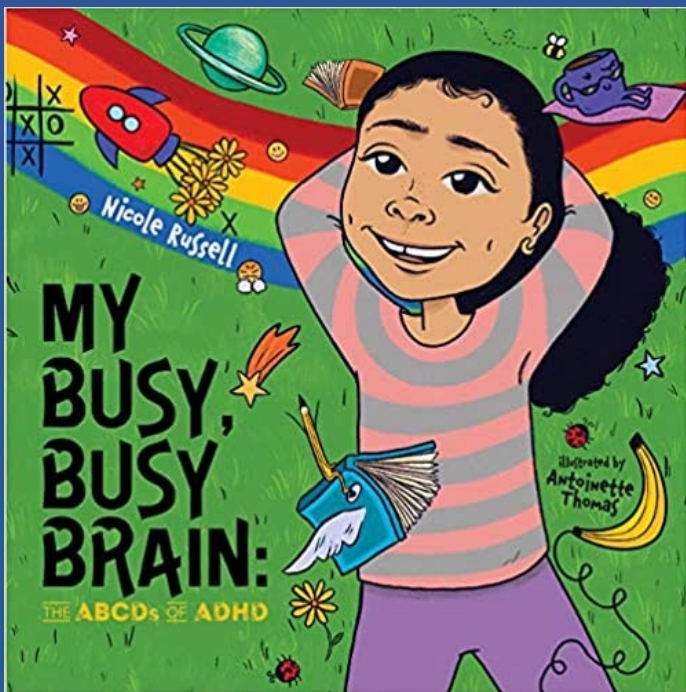
## **Becoming RBG**

by Debbie Levy | Illustrated by Whitney Gardner

A modern feminist icon, Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg began her fight for equal treatment in the workplace and the world for women at an early age. For young fans of graphic novels, this book depicts Ginsburg's journey from life in Brooklyn to the United States Supreme Court through gorgeous illustrations and a fun comic book format.

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# *Celebrating Developmental Disabilities Month*



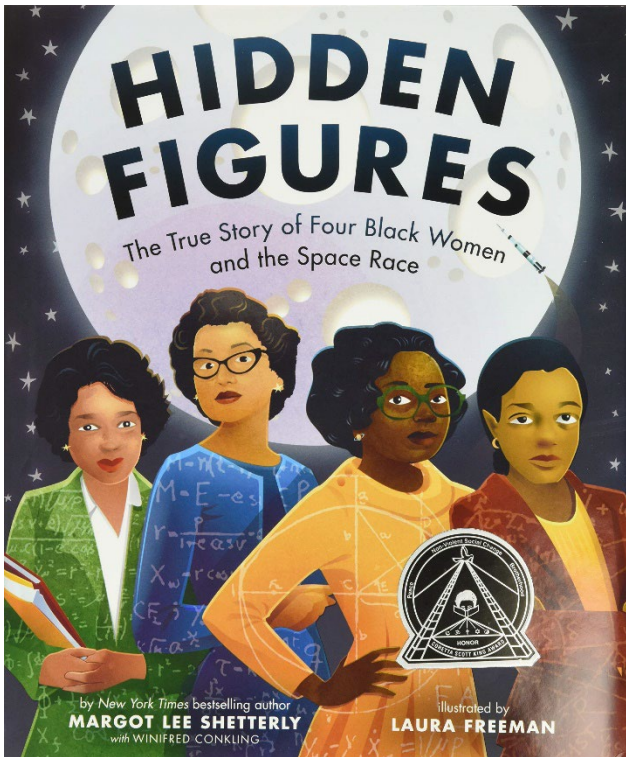
Children > Picture Book on Diversity

## **My Busy, Busy Brain**

by Nicole Russell | Illustrated by Antoinette Thomas

Nicole is excited to learn, but often can't quite seem to focus. Nicole has ADHD and decides to confront her struggles with inattention. Through her journey, she finds she is not alone! This children's book provides practical tools for children struggling with controlling their emotions, impulses, and concentration.

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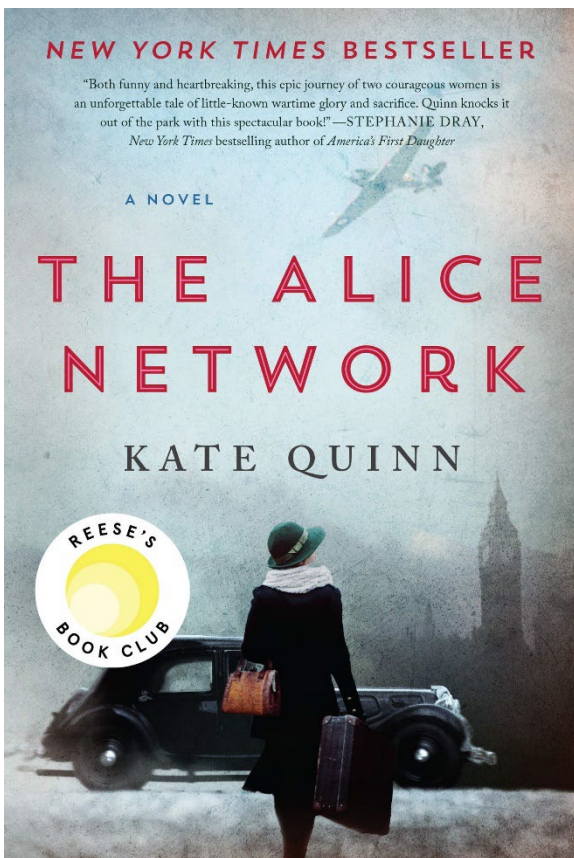
Children > Historical

## **Hidden Figures**

by Margot Lee Shetterly | Illustrated by Laura Freeman

This is the picture book version of the original New York Times bestselling book. Here readers can follow the spectacular journeys of Dorothy Vaughan, Mary Jackson, Katherine Johnson, and Christine Darden and their work at NASA. Perfect for any budding lover of STEM!

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YA > Historical Fiction

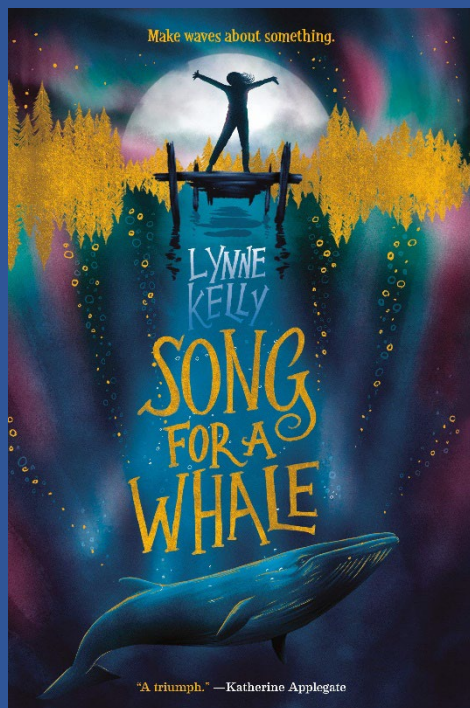
## **The Alice Network**

by Kate Quinn

Based on the real-life World War I spy ring called the Alice Network, author Kate Quinn introduces readers to two women from different timelines who eventually meet amidst the chaos of post-World War II. One woman is searching for her beloved cousin that disappeared in Nazi-occupied France, and the other is a retired former spy still impacted by espionage betrayal. They need each other to uncover truths they both seek out.

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# Celebrating National Deaf History Month



YA > Fiction

## **Songs for a Whale**

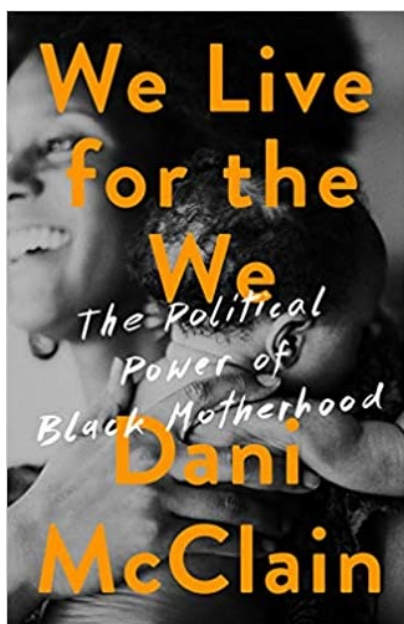
by Lynne Kelly

Iris is a twelve-year-old tech genius and loves fixing things. But her deafness makes being taken seriously a challenge at school. When Iris learns about a whale that can't be heard by his own community, she springs into action to create a way to speak to him. Author Lynne Kelly, who is also a sign language interpreter, tells a story of the desire to communicate despite not being heard.

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## BOOKS FOR ALL



Memoir

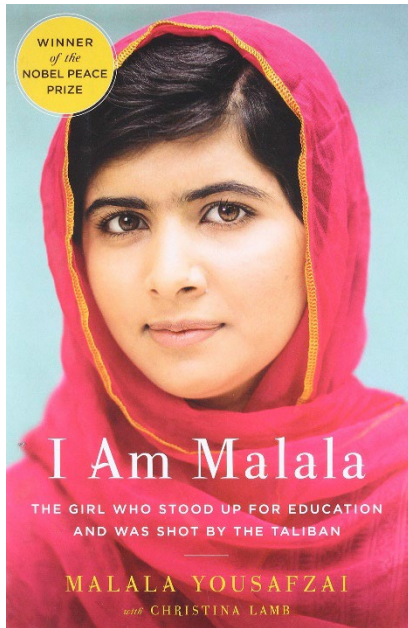
## **We Live for the We**

by Dani McClain

Already a renowned reporter on race and social justice, Dani McClain chronicles her journey as a first-time Black mother in a world she knows is unforgiving and hostile. More Black women die during pregnancy or birth than any other race.

McClain also knows it is Black mothers who appear on TV begging for justice for their slain children. She interviews other mothers, asking tough questions about raising children of color to be happy, healthy, and safe, and live with dignity.

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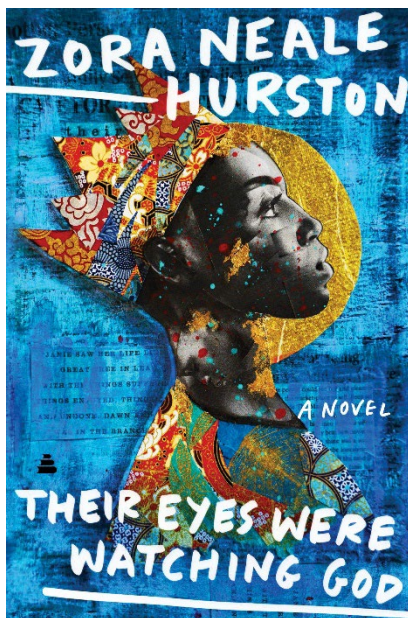
Autobiography

## **I Am Malala**

by Malala Yousafzai & Christina Lamb

Yousafzai's fight for education for girls in Pakistan began at an early age from which she almost perishes. This autobiography spent two weeks on the New York Times bestseller book, and for good reason. Yousafzai goes toe-to-toe with The Taliban as she becomes an international symbol of peace and educational equality. This incredible journey is told in the words of the young woman who lived it.

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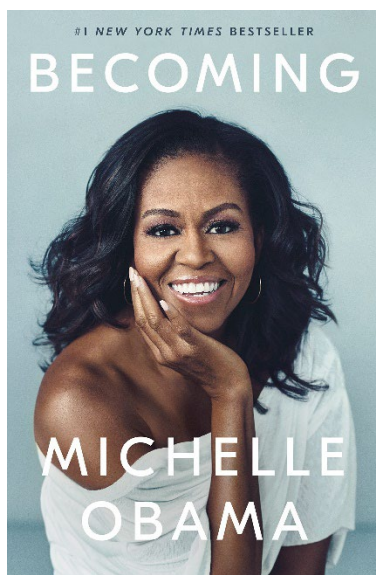
Fiction

## **Their Eyes Were Watching God**

by Zora Neal Hurston

Considered a classic of the Harlem Renaissance, Hurston's novel follows the independent and freethinking Janie and her life as a Black woman in southern Florida in the 1930s. Originally panned upon its release in the early 20th Century, *Their Eyes Were Watching God* is now a renowned piece of literature that features a flawed but determined woman of color as the protagonist. For anyone looking for a strong woman learning as she goes and defying the norms of her society and close community, this is a must-read.

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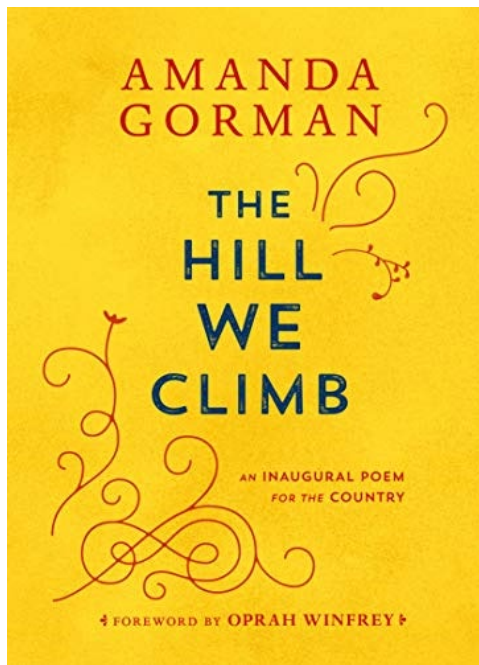
Memoir

## **Becoming**

by Michelle Obama

There is a reason this book is so popular and well renowned. Former First Lady Michelle Obama showcases exquisite storytelling, giving her personal account of some of her most significant memories. She shows readers her childhood on the South Side of Chicago as well as her years as an executive balancing the demands of motherhood and work. And, of course, she tells us details about her time living in the White House.

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Poetry

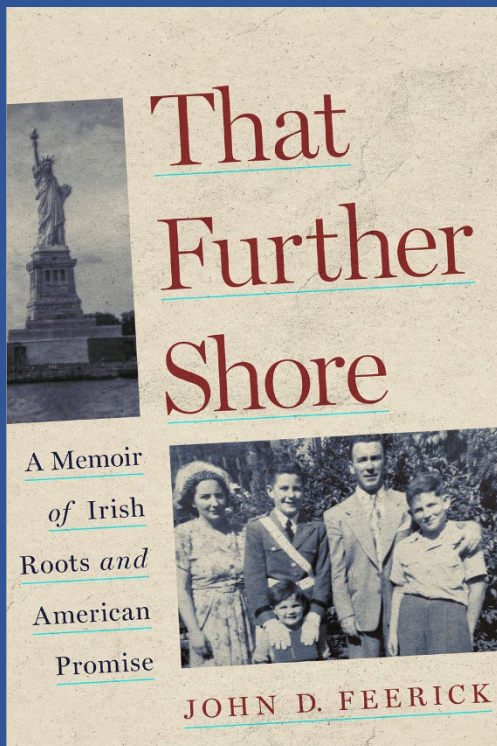
## **The Hill We Climb**

by Amanda Gorman

Ms. Gorman was the sixth and youngest poet to deliver a poetry reading at a presidential inauguration. This special edition book can serve as a reminder to what we are advocating for, as well as inspiration for any aspiring poet. There is also a forward by Oprah Winfrey.

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# *Celebrating Irish American Heritage Month*



Memoir

## **That Further Shore**

by John D. Feerick

Born to Irish American immigrants, Feerick grew up in a working-class Irish Catholic neighborhood in the South Bronx. His memoir recounts the ways he would get himself through law school, and how he would eventually give up a lucrative partnership in a law firm at an early age to accept the office of Dean of the Fordham School of Law at a fraction of his previous income. Feerick would also go on to be the Chair of the State Commissions on Government Integrity.

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Every girl, no matter where she lives, deserves the opportunity to develop the promise inside of her.

- Michelle Obama

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