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Black Culture and Experience: Contemporary Issues

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Overview

Black Culture and Experience: Contemporary Issues is an edited anthology that will explore black culture in the 21st century. This collection of work will strive to create a synergy among authors leading to a valuable resource on contemporary issues of Black culture and experience. We are casting a wide net looking for essays, research (assessable to a broad audience), case studies, creative and other writing. The goal is to bring the work of leading scholars, authors, and other specialists together to significantly influence the direction of the field. The book will consist of 20-30 chapters at around 10-20 pages each. Once abstracts are chosen selected authors will be notified in early January and the final deadline for completed work will be set approximately six months later.

Chapter Summary

There will be 2-3 chapters under each topical section below. The issues listed are only possible examples. We are interested in any significant issue that is relevant to the topic. Some adjustments may be made depending on the abstracts received and accepted.

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Introduction – written by Venise Berry

Education – Student Achievement Gaps

Relevance of Historically Black Colleges

Attacks on Black Studies

Race and Racism in U.S. Schools

Sports – Black Success in Predominantly White Sports

Black Graduation Rates Among Athletes in High School and/or College

Black Owners, Coaches and Management in Pro-Sports

Race and Racism in Sports

Art & Theater – The Post-Black Art Movement

Black Art Museums and Galleries Black Theater on Broadway

Race and Racism in Black Art or Black Theater

Literature – The Rise of Urban Fiction

Identity in African American Literature Today

Black Authors and White Editors Race and Racism in Black Literature

TV & Film – Tyler Perry vs. Spike Lee

The New Black Film Industry – Straight to DVD

Reality Television and Black Folks

Race and Racism in Black Movies and/or TV Shows

Music – Rap Music

Black Music, Capitalism and Commodification

The New Spirit of Gospel

Race and Racism in Black Music

News & the

Internet – Relevance of Black Newspapers

The Impact of the Digital Divide

Use of Social Media by African Americans

Race and Racism in the News and/or on the Internet

Law & Politics – The New Jim Crow Laws

The First Black United States President Black Politicians and Modern Segregation Race and Racism in the Law and/or in Politics

Relationships – Interracial Relationships

Black Love

The Black Family

Race and Racism in Relationships

Health – The Increase in HIV/AIDS Among Black Youth

Diabetes Growing in African American Population Mental Health Issues in the Black Community

Race and Racism in Black Health

Black Culture's

Global Impact – Black Globalization

The Global Popularity of Hip Hop

War and Black Culture

Race and Racism relevant to Black culture around the world