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ANDREWS, RAYMOND

Baby Sweets; A Novel (TP)
The Last Radio Baby; A Memoir (TC)

ANGELOU, MAYA, 1928-

All God's Children Need Traveling Shoes (TC, TP)
And Still I Rise (TC, TF, TV)
A Brave and Startling Truth (TF, TV)
The Complete Collected Poems of Maya Angelou (TC, TF, TP, TV)
Even the Stars Look Lonesome (TC, TF, TP, TV)
Gather Together in My Name (TC, TF)
The Heart of a Woman (TC, TF, TP)
I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings (TC, TF, TP, TV)
I Shall Not Be Moved (TC, TF)
Just Give Me a Cool Drink of Water 'Fore I Diiie (TC, TF TP)
Life Doesn't Frighten Me (TV)
Oh Pray My Wings Are Gonna Fit Me Well (TC, TF, TV)
Phenomenal Woman; Four Poems Celebrating Women (TF)
Selected from I Know Why The Caged Bird Sings and The Heart of a Woman (TP)
Shaker, Why Don't You Sing (TP)
Singin' and Swingin' and Gettin' Merry Like Christmas (TC, TF, TV)
Soul Looks Back in Wonder (TF)
Wouldn't Take Nothing For My Journey Now (TC, TP, TF)

BALDWIN, JAMES, 1924-1987

The Amen Corner; A Play (TF)
Another Country (TC, TF, TP)
Blues For Mister Charlie; A Play (TC, TF, TP)
Collected Essays (TF, TP, TV)
The Devil Finds Work; An Essay (TP)
Early Novels and Stories (TF, TP, TV)
The Evidence of Things Not Seen (TC, TF)
The Fire Next Time (TF, TP, TV)
Giovanni's Room (TC, TF)

Go Tell it on the Mountain (TC, TP, TF, TV)
Going to Meet the Man (TF)
If Beale Street Could Talk (TC, TF, TP)
Just Above My Head (TC, TP)
No Name in the Street (TP, TV)
Nobody Knows My Name; More Notes of a Native Son (TC, TP)
Notes of a Native Son (TC, TP)
One Day When I Was Lost; A Scenario (TC)
The Price of the Ticket; Collected Nonfiction, 1948-1985 (TP)
A Rap on Race (TF, TV)
Tell Me How Long the Train's Been Gone; a Novel (TP)

BAMBARA, TONI CADE, 1939-1995

Gorilla, My Love (TF)
The Salt Eaters (TF)
The Sea Birds Are Still Alive; Collected Stories (TP)
Those Bones Are Not My Child (TF, TV)

BARAKA, IMAMU AMIRI, 1934-

The Autobiography of Leroi Jones (TF)
The Autobiography of Leroi Jones/Amiri Baraka (TC, TP)
The Baptism & The Toilet (TC, TP)
Black Magic: Sabotage, Target Study, Black Art; Collected Poetry, 1961-1967 (TC)
Daggers and Javelins; Essays, 1974-1979 (TP)
The Dead Lecturer; Poems (TC)
Dutchman and the Slave; Two Plays (TC, TV)
The Fiction of Leroi Jones/Amiri Baraka (TP,TV)
Four Black Revolutionary Plays; All Praises to the Black Man (TC, TF,TP)
Funk Lore; New Poems, 1984-1995 (TF)
Home; Social Essays (TC)
In Our Terribleness (Some Elements and Meaning in Black Style) (TC)
The Leroi Jones/Amiri Baraka Reader (TV)
Preface to a Twenty-Volume Suicide Note; Poems (TC)
The System of Dante's Hell (TC)
Tales (TC)
Transbluesency; the Selected Poems of Amiri Baraka/Leroi Jones, 1961-1995 (TF)

BELL, MADISON SMARTT, 1957-

Soldier's Joy (TP)
The Year of Silence (TP)
Zero DB and Other Stories (TP)

BONTEMPS, ARNA WENDELL, 1902-1973

Arna Bontemp-Langston Hughes Letters, 1925-1967 (TP)

Black Thunder (TC, TF, TP, TV)
Father of the Blues; An Autobiography (TC, TP)
God Sends Sunday (TC)
The Harlem Renaissance Remembered; Essays (TC, TV)
The Old South; "A Summer Tragedy" and Other Stories of the Thirties (TP)

BRADLEY, DAVID, 1950-

The Chaneyville Incident; A Novel (TP)
South Street (TP)

BRISCOE, CONNIE

Big Girls Don't Cry (TP, TV)
A Long Way from Home (TC, TP, TV)

BROOKS, GWENDOLYN, 1917-

Aloneness (TC, TF)
Annie Allen (TC)
Beckonings; Poems (TC)
Blacks (TF)
A Capsule Course in Black Poetry Writing (TC)
Family Pictures (TC)
Jump Bad; A New Chicago Anthology (TC)
Maud Martha (TF)
The Near-Johannesburg Boy and Other Poems (TF)
Primer for Blacks (TF)
Report from Part One (TC, TP)
Selected Poems (TC, TF, TV)
The Tiger Who Wore White Gloves, or, What You Are You Are (TC, TF)
To Disembark (TF)

BULLINS, ED, 1935-

Five Plays (TC)
Four Dynamite Plays (TC)
The Hungered One; Early Writings (TV)
The New Lafayette Theatre Presents (TC)

BUNKLEY, ANITA R.

Balancing Act (TP)
Black Gold (TV)
Starlight Passage (TV)
Wild Embers (TV)

BUTLER, OCTAVIA E., 1947-

Kindred (TP)

CAMPBELL, BEBE MOORE, 1950-

Brothers and Sisters (TF, TP)

Sweet Summer; Growing Up With and Without My Dad (TP)

Your Blues Ain't like Mine (TF, TV)

CARTIER, XAM WILSON

Be-Bop, Re-Bop (TP)

CARY, LORENE

Black Ice (TP)

CHASE-RIBOUD, BARBARA

The President's Daughter (TV)

CHESNUTT, CHARLES W., 1858-1932

The Colonel's Dream (TC)

The Conjure Woman (TC)

The Conjure Woman and Other Conjure Tales (TF)

The House Behind the Cedars (TC, TF)

Mandy Oxendine; A Novel (TF)

The Marrow of Tradition (TC, TF)

The Short Fiction of Charles W. Chesnutt (TV)

The Wife of His Youth and Other Stories of the Color Line (TC)

CHILDRESS, ALICE, 1920-1994

Black Scenes (TC)

A Hero Ain't Nothin but a Sandwich (TV)

CLARKE, BREENA

River, Cross My Heart (TP)

COOPER, J. CALIFORNIA

Family; A Novel (TP)

The Future Has a Past; Stories (TP)

The Wake of the Wind (TP)

DELANY, SAMUEL R., 1942-

The Bridge of Lost Desire (TP)

Stars in My Pocket like Grains of Sand (TP)

DICKERSON, DEBRA J.

An American Story (TF, TP)

DICKEY, ERIC JEROME

Between Lovers (TC)
Cheaters (TC, TF)
Friends and Lovers (TC)
Liar's Game (TC, TP)
Milk in My Coffee (TC, TP)
Sister Sister (TC, TF, TP)

DOVE, RITA, 1952-

The Darker Face of the Earth; A Play (TV)
Grace Notes; Poems (TC)
Mother Love; Poems (TV)
On the Bus with Rosa Parks (TC, TV)
Selected Poems (TC)

DUNBAR-NELSON, ALICE MOORE, 1875-1935

Give Us Each Day; The Diary of Alice Dunbar-Nelson (TP)
The Works of Alice Dunbar-Nelson (TP)

ELLISON, RALPH, 1914-1994

The Collected Essays of Ralph Ellison (TF, TV)
Flying Home and Other Stories (TF, TP, TV)
Going to the Territory (TV)
Invisible Man (TC, TF, TP, TV)
Juneteenth; A Novel (TF, TP, TV)
Shadow and Act (TC, TF, TV)

FRENCH, ALBERT, 1943-

Patches of Fire; A Story of War and Redemption (TF)

GAINES, ERNEST J., 1933-

The Autobiography of Miss Jane Pittman (TF, TP, TV)
Catherine Carmier; A Novel (TF)
A Gathering of Old Men (TF, TP)
In My Father's House (TF)
A Lesson Before Dying (TF, TP, TV)
Of Love and Dust (TP)

GIOVANNI, NIKKI, 1943-

Black Feeling, Black Talk, Black Judgement (TC, TF, TV)
Blues For All The Changes; New Poems (TC, TF, TV)
Cotton Candy on a Rainy Day; Poems (TF)
Ego Tripping and Other Poems for Young People (TC)
Gemini: An Extended Autobiographical Statement on My First Twenty Five Years of
Being (TF)

The Genie in the Jar (TF)
Grand Mothers; Poems, Reminiscences, and Short Stories About the Keepers of Our
Traditions (TF, TP)
Love Poems (TF)
Racism 101 (TF, TP)
Re:Creation (TC 100)
Sacred Cows-- and Other Edibles <1988> (TP 100)
The Selected Poems of Nikki Giovanni (TF)
Spin a Soft Black Song; Poems for Children (TC)
The Sun Is So Quiet (TF)
The Women and the Men (TF, TV)

GLASS, FRANKCINA

Marvin & Tige (TP)

GLOVER, VIVIAN

The First Fig Tree (TP)

GOINES, DONALD, 1937-1974

Black Gangster (TF)
Black Girl Lost (TF)
White Man's Justice, Black Man's Grief (TF)
Whoreson; the Story of a Ghetto Pimp (TF)

GOLDEN, MARITA

Long Distance Life (TF, TP)

GUILLAUME, GERI

Firm Commitments (TP)

GUY, ROSA, 1928-

Edith Jackson (TP)
A Measure of Time (TP)
Ups and Downs of Carl Davis III (TP)

HANDY, W. C. (WILLIAM CHRISTOPHER)

Father of the Blues; An Autobiography (TC, TP)

HARRIS, E. LYNN

Any Way the Wind Blows (TC)
If This World Were Mine; A Novel (TF, TP)
Not a Day Goes By; A Novel (TC)

HAYDEN, ROBERT EARL, 1913-1980

Angle of Ascent; New and Selected Poems (TP)
Collected Poems (TF, TV)

HAYNES, DAVID, 1955-

All American Dream Dolls (TP)

HEARD, NATHAN C.

House of Slammers; A Novel (TP)

HILL, MARS, 1922-

The Moaner's Bench (TP)

HIMES, CHESTER B., 1909-1984

The Autobiography of Chester Himes (TC, TP, TV)

The Collected Stories of Chester Himes (TV)

Cotton Comes to Harlem (TP)

The Heats On (TP)

If He Hollers Let Him Go (TC, TV)

My Life of Absurdity; the Autobiography of Chester Himes (TP)

Pinktoes; a Novel (TP)

Run Man Run (TP)

The Third Generation (TC)

Yesterday Will Make You Cry (TF, TP)

HOLTON, HUGH

The Left Hand of God (TP)

Windy City (TV)

HOOKS, BELL

Bone Black; Memories of Girlhood (TF)

HUGHES, LANGSTON, 1902-1967

Arna Bontemps-Langston Hughes Letters, 1925-1967 (TP)

The Best of Simple (TC, TP, TV)

The Big Sea; An Autobiography (TF, TV)

Black Misery (TP)

The Collected Poems of Langston Hughes (TC, TF, TP, TV)

Five Plays (TC, TV)

Good Morning, Revolution; Uncollected Social Protest Writings (TC, TP, TV)

I Wonder as I Wander; An Autobiographical Journey (TC, TF, TP)

Langston Hughes and the Chicago Defender; Essays on Race, Politics, and Culture,
1942-62 (TV)

The Langston Hughes Reader (TC)

Mule Bone; A Comedy of Negro Life (TF)

Political Plays of Langston Hughes (TC, TF, TV)
Selected Poems of Langston Hughes (TC, TV)
Short Stories (TP, TV)
Simple's Uncle Sam (TP)
Something in Common and Other Stories (TP)
The Sweet Flypaper of Life (TP)
The Ways of White Folks (TP)

HURSTON, ZORA NEALE, 1903-1960

Complete Stories (TV)
Dust Tracks on a Road (TC, TP)
Folklore Memoirs And Other Writing (TF, TP, TV)
I Love Myself When I Am Laughing and Then Again When I Am Looking Mean
And Impressive (TV)
Jonah's Gourd Vine (TC, TP)
Moses Man of The Mountain (TV)
Mule Bone; A Comedy of Negro Life (TF)
Mules and Men (TP)
Novels and Stories (TF, TP, TV)
Sweat (TP)
Their Eyes Were Watching God (TC, TF, TP, TV)

JOE, YOLANDA

This Just In-- : A Novel (TP)

JOHNSON, CHARLES RICHARD, 1948-

Middle Passage (TC, TP, TV)
The Sorcerer's Apprentice (TP)

JOHNSON, DORIS

White Lies (TP)

JOHNSON, GUY, 1945-

Standing at the Scratch Line : A Novel (TC)

JOHNSON, JAMES WELDON, 1871-1938

Along This Way; The Autobiography of James Weldon Johnson (TC, TP, TV)
The Autobiography of an Ex-Colored Man (TV)
Black Manhattan (TC)
Complete Poems (TF, TV)
Fifty Years; Other Poems (TC)
God's Trombones; Seven Negro Sermons in Verse (TC, TV)

JOHNSON, R. M. (RODNEY MARCUS)

Father Found (TP)

JONES, EDWARD P., 1950-
Lost in the City; Stories (TP)

JONES, GAYL, 1949-
Corregidora (TF, TP)
The Healing (TF, TV)
Mosquito (TV)

KELLEY, WILLIAM MELVIN, 1937-
Dancers on the Shore (TF)
A Drop of Patience (TF)

KINCAID, JAMAICA, 1949-
Annie, Gwen, Lilly, Pam, and Tulip (VAC)
At the Bottom of the River (TP)
The Autobiography of My Mother (TF, TP, TV)
Lucy (TF)
My Brother (TF)
Talk Stories (TP)

LADD, FLORENCE
Sarah's Psalm; A Novel (TP)

LEE, HELEN JACKSON
Nigger in the Window (TP)

LESTER, JULIUS
All Is Well (TC)
And All Our Wounds Forgiven (TV)
Black Folktales (TC)
Do Lord Remember Me; a Novel (TC, TP)
John Henry (TF)
Long Journey Home; Stories from Black History (TC)
Look out Whitey! Black Power's Gon' Get Your Mama (TC)
Who I Am (TC)

LINCOLN, C. ERIC, 1924-
The Avenue, Clayton City (TP)

MAJOR, CLARENCE, 1936-
All Night Visitors (TF, TV)
Emergency Exit (TP)

Painted Turtle Woman with Guitar; A Novel (TP)
Such Was the Season; A Novel (TP)

MARSHALL, PAULE, 1929-

Daughters (TP)
The Fisher King (TP)
Praisesong for the Widow (TP)
Soul Clap Hands and Sing (TP)

McKINNEY-WHETSTONE, DIANE

Blues Dancing (TP)

McMILLAN, ROSALYN

Blue Collar Blues (TP)
Knowing (TP)
One Better (TF)
This Side of Eternity (TP)

MCMILLAN, TERRY, 1951-

A Day Late and a Dollar Short ((TC, TF, TP, TV)
Disappearing Acts (TF, TP, TV)
How Stella Got Her Groove Back (TC, TF, TP, TV)
Mama (TP)
Waiting to Exhale (TC, TF, TP)

MEBANE, MARY E., 1933-

Mary (TP)
Mary, Wayfarer (TP)

MORRISON, TONI, 1931-

Beloved; A Novel (TC, TF, TP, TV)
The Bluest Eye (TC, TP)
Jazz (TC, TF, TP, TV)
Paradise (TF, TP, TV)
Song of Solomon (TC, TF, TP, TV)
Sula (TF, TC, TP)
Tar Baby (TF, TP)

MOSLEY, WALTER, 1952-

Always Outnumbered, Always Outgunned (TP)
Fearless Jones; A Novel (TP)

MURRAY, ALBERT, 1916-

The Seven League Boots; A Novel (TP)

South to a Very Old Place (TP)
The Spyglass Tree (TP)
Train Whistle Guitar (TP)

MURRAY, PAULI, 1910-

Proud Shoes; The Story of an American Family (TP)
Song in a Weary Throat; An American Pilgrimage (TC, TP)

NAYLOR, GLORIA, 1950-

Bailey's Café (TF, TP)
Linden Hills (TF, TP)
Mama Day (TF, TP)
The Men of Brewster Place (TP)
Selected from the Women of Brewster Place (TP)
The Women of Brewster Place (TF, TP, TV)

OKRI, BEN, 1959-

The Famished Road (TP)

PARKS, GORDON, 1912-

Born Black (TV)
Half Past Autumn; A Retrospective (TP)

PERRY, RICHARD, 1944-

Montgomery's Children; A Novel (TP)

PETRY, ANN LANE, 1908-1997

Harriet Tubman: Conductor on the Underground Railroad (TV)
Miss Muriel and Other Stories (TF)
The Narrows (TF)
The Street (TF)

PHARR, ROBERT DEANE

The Book of Numbers (TP)

PINCKNEY, DARRYL, 1953-

High Cotton (TP)

REED, ISHMAEL, 1938-

Flight to Canada (TP)
The Free Lance Pallbearers (TP)
Multiamerica; Essays on Cultural Wars and Cultural Peace (TF)
New and Collected Poems (TP)

Reed Reader (TP)
The Terrible Threes (TP)
Writin' Is Fightin'; Thirty-Seven Years of Boxing on Paper (TP)
Yellow Back Radio Broke Down (TP)

RICE, SARAH, 1909-

He Included Me; The Autobiography of Sarah Rice (TP)

ROBY, KIMBERLA LAWSON

Casting the First Stone (TP)
Here and Now; A Novel (TP)
It's a Thin Line (TP)

SANCHEZ, SONIA, 1935-

Does Your House Have Lions (TF)
Homegirls & Handgrenades (TF)
I've Been a Woman; New and Selected Poems (TF)
Love Poems (TP)
Shake Loose My Skin; New and Selected Poems (TV)
We Be Word Sorcerers (TP)

SANDERS, DORI, 1934-

Clover; A Novel (TF)

SAPPHIRE, 1950-

Black Wings & Blind Angels; Poems (TF)

SHANGE, NTOZAKE, 1948-

Betsey Brown; A Novel (TP, TV)
A Daughter's Geography (TP)
For Colored Girls Who Have Considered Suicide When The Rainbow Is Enuf (TP)
Sassafrass, Cypress & Indigo; A Novel (TP, TV)

SINCLAIR, APRIL

Ain't Gonna Be the Same Fool Twice (TV)
Coffee Will Make You Black (TC)
I Left My Back Door Open (TP)

SOULJAH, SISTER

Coldest Winter Ever; A Novel (TF)

TOLSON, MELVIN BEAUNORUS, 1898(?)-1966

Caviar and Cabbage (TP)
Harlem Gallery; Book 1, The Curator (TC, TP)

TOOMER, JEAN, 1894-1967

Cane (TF, TP)

The Collected Poems of Jean Toomer (TV)

Essentials (TF)

Jean Toomer: Selected Essays and Literary Criticism (TF, TV)

The Wayward and the Seeking: A Collection of Writings by Jean Toomer (TV)

WALKER, ALICE, 1944-

Alice Walker Banned (TF)

Anything We Love Can Be Saved; A Writer's Activism (TF, TV)

By the Light of My Father's Smile; A Novel (TC, TF, TV)

The Color Purple (TC, TF, TP, TV)

Everyday Use (TF, TP)

Good Night, Willie Lee, I'll See You in the Morning; Poems (TP)

Her Blue Body Everything We Know: Earthling Poems, 1965-1990 Complete (TF)

In Love & Trouble; Stories of Black Women (TF)

In Search of Our Mother's Gardens; Womanist Prose (TF, TP)

Living by the Word; Selected Writings, 1973-1987 (TC, TP)

Meridian (TC)

Possessing The Secret of Joy (TP, TF)

Revolutionary Petunias; Other Poems (TP)

Same River Twice; Honoring the Difficult: A Meditation on Life, Spirit, Art, and the Maki (TC, TV)

Selected from The Temple of My Familiar (TP)

Temple of My Familiar (TC, TF, TP)

Third Life of Grange Copeland (TC)

The Way Forward Is with a Broken Heart (TC, TF, TP, TV)

WALKER, MARGARET, 1915-1998

For My People (TC, TV)

How I Wrote Jubilee (TC)

Jubilee (TP, TV)

On Being Female, Black, and Free; Essays by Margaret Walker, 1932-1992 (TF, TV)

Prophets For a New Day (TC)

This Is My Century; New and Collected Poems (TV)

WELLS-BARNETT, IDA B., 1862-1931

Crusade for Justice; The Autobiography of Ida B. Wells (TP)

The Memphis Diary of Ida B. Wells (TC, TP)

WEST, DOROTHY, 1909-

The Wedding (TP)

WIDEMAN, JOHN EDGAR, 1941-

Brothers and Keepers (TP)
The Cattle Killing (TV)
Fatheralong; A Meditation on Fathers and Sons, Race and Society (TP, TV)
Reuben (TP)
Sent for You Yesterday (TP)
The Stories of John Edgar Wideman (TP, TV)
Two Cities (TP, TV)

WILLIAMS, JOHN ALFRED, 1925-

Captain Blackman (TF)
Flashbacks; A Twenty-Year Diary of Article Writing (TC)
The Junior Bachelor Society (TP)
The Man Who Cried I Am; A Novel (TC, TV)
Mothersill and the Foxes (TP)

WILLIAMS, SHERLEY ANNE, 1944-

Dessa Rose (TV)
The Peacock Poems (TP, TV)
Working Cotton (TC, TF, TV)

WILSON, AUGUST, 1945-

Fences; a Play (TF, TP)
Ma Rainey's Black Bottom; A Play in Two Acts (TC, TF)
The Piano Lesson (TF)
Three Plays [Ma Rainey's Black Bottom; Fences; Joe Turner's Come and Gone]
(TF,TV)

WOOLRIDGE, LORI BRYANT

Read Between the Lies (TP)

WRIGHT, RICHARD, 1908-1960

American Hunger (TC, TP, TV)
Black Boy; A Record of Childhood And Youth (TC, TV)
Eight Men (TP)
Haiku: This Other World (TC)
Later Works (TF)
Native Son (TC, TP, TV)
Native Son and How Bigger Was Born (TF)
The Outsider (TC, TP, TV)
Richard Wright Reader (TF, TP)
Uncle Tom's Children (TC)
Works (TC, TF, TP, TV)

YERBY, FRANK, 1916-1991

Floodtide (TP)
The Golden Hawk (TP)
Tobias and the Angel (TP)
The Voyage Unplanned (TP)
A Woman Called Fancy (TP)

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