







## HEAR THE VOICES: BLACK WRITING MATTERS

READINGS FROM AFRO-AMERICAN AUTHORS FROM THE 1700S TO THE PRESENT

Celebrating Martin-Luther-King Jr-Day, a US holiday honoring the legacy of the civil rights leader and his struggle for racial equality, students from the University of Graz will present African-American texts as voices of agency, resistance, and the long fight for political freedom and equality.

Despite the US cultural narrative propagating freedom, democracy and equality, the Afro-American experience has been one of discrimination, exclusion, and inequality revealing contradictions of US-American culture and society.

Listening to literary and cultural texts as individual expressions of lived-experiences emphasizes the powerful strength of Afro-American self-

representation.

