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## **Evolution of Systemic Racism Suggestions for Movies and DVD's to Watch and Books to Read**

### **Netflix**

Documentaries:

1. Let it Fall – decade leading up to Rodney King and LA Riots
2. LA92 – Impact of LA Riots and chronicles history of Police Brutality
3. When They See Us - the Central Park 5 - five students (minors) convicted of murder (prosecutor misconduct)
4. 13<sup>th</sup> – The history of racial discrimination and how it evolved from Black codes through Jim Crow through Mass Incarceration through Voter Suppression
5. The Trial of the Chicago 7 - after the 1968 Democratic National Convention – Attorney General plus Trial Judge misconduct. Important here because of treatment of Bobby Seale
6. Becoming – Michele Obama
7. Dear White People – make sure you watch the Netflix series, not the movie
8. Self-Made – fictionalized documentary
9. Marshall – account of Thurgood Marshall

Movies that highlight the Black experience:

10. Da 5 Bloods – Spike Lee
11. Ma Rainey's Black Bottom – Ma learns how to successfully play the system.
12. Moonlight
13. All Day and All Night - young Black boy struggles to not be his father in prison

### **DVD**

1. I Am Not Your Negro. Written by James Baldwin; Directed by Raoul Peck. Academy Award Nominee 2016 Best Documentary Feature
2. O.J. Made in America. A 30 for 30 Documentary Event. ESPN Films. 5 Disc series on Race in America. 2016
3. Slavery by Another Name. Official Selection 2012 Sundance Film Festival. PBS
4. 13<sup>th</sup>. 2017 Netflix streaming is free
5. Exploring Our Roots with Henry Louis Gates, Jr., 3 Pack DVD – PBS
6. America Beyond the Color Line with Henry Louis Gates, Jr. DVD- PBS
7. Black America since MLK: And Still I Rise PBS 2016
8. Freedom Riders: Could You Get on the Bus? PBS 2011
9. Eyes on the Prize: America's Civil Rights Years 1954-1965 PBS 1996 – 3 disk, 6 hours
10. The African Americans: Many Rivers to Cross . PBS 2013

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