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**YAAHA'S BOOK, BLACK HISTORY 1619-2019  
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***Midwest Book Review declares black history book: An ideal curriculum textbook for Black Studies and American History curriculums***

MEDINA, OH – James A. Cox, Editor-in-Chief, Midwest Book Review, announces that the November 2020 edition of Library Bookwatch features an outstanding review of the book BLACK HISTORY 1619-2019: AN ILLUSTRATED AND DOCUMENTED AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY. Included below is the complete text of the review.

Charitable donations to YAAHA will help the organization promote a better understanding of factual black history that can foster new perspectives, positive attitudes, and encouragement for those questioning how they can make a difference in their communities. The YAAHA team is intent on preserving the integrity of black history in America. Contributions can be made online or by check payable to YAAHA and sent to: YAAHA, PO Box 1507, Medina, OH 44258. Donate today.

**About YAAHA**

The Yocum African American History Association (YAAHA) is a national non-profit IRS Section 501 (c) (3) organization dedicated to providing educational resources to the public about 400 years of African American history. We offer learning tools and references, such as lesson plans and our book “Black History 1619-2019: An Illustrated and Documented African-American History” available in ebook and printed format on Amazon.com. To see additional information, access our lesson plans and view black success videos, visit us at: [www.YocumBlackHistory.org](http://www.YocumBlackHistory.org)

# **BOOK REVIEW: Black History 1619-2019 — An Illustrated and Documented African-American History**

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278 Orchard Drive, Oregon, WI 53575

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The American History Shelf

Black History 1619-2019

Sandra K. Yocum & Frances Presley Rice

Paragon House

3600 Labore Road, Suite 1, St. Paul, MN 55110-4144

<https://www.paragonhouse.com/wp>

9781557789440, \$39.95, HC, 512pp

<https://www.amazon.com/Black-History-1619-2019-Illustrated-African-American/dp/1557789444>

Synopsis: "Black History 1619-2019: An Illustrated and Documented African-American History" by Sandra K. Yocum and Frances Presley Rice is an inspiring and educational journey through American history. It is an in-depth look at the events which shaped the lives and contributions of the African-American community in the United States of America.

"Black History 1619-2019" is specifically designed to restore the integrity of African-American history and is based on extensive research and documentation related to the African-American experience from the era of slavery until modern times. In this landmark history, Yocum and Rice promote awareness and preserve significant information and material that can replace revisionist accounts of African-American history.

"Black History 1619-2019" is an African-American study that is richly illustrated with 393 photos, maps, and illustrations that portray the real lives of African-Americans during slavery, the Civil War, reconstruction, Jim Crow, the Civil Rights movement, and beyond. This history documents the profound impact that African-Americans have made on the history of the United States and its culture.

"Black History 1619-2019" also contains fourteen well-researched chapters starting with Chapter 1, Colonial Domestic Slave Trade (1619 - 1775), and ending with Chapter 14,

Post-Civil Rights Movement (1967 - 2019). Each chapter is dedicated to revealing the truth and correcting misrepresentations about black history. Of special note is how "Black History 1619-2019" is packed with images that tell the written story visually.

Critique: An ideal curriculum textbook for Black Studies and American History curriculums, "Black History 1619-2019: An Illustrated and Documented African-American History" is exceptionally well written, organized and presented for the edification and education of the reader. While especially and unreservedly recommended for community, college, and university library collections, it should be noted for the personal reading lists of students, academia, political activists, and non-specialist general readers with an interest in the subject that "Black History 1619-2019: An Illustrated and Documented African-American History" is also readily available in a digital book format (Kindle, \$9.95).

Editorial Note: Sandra K. Yocum is the Founder/President of the Yocum African-American History Association. Since the late 1960s, when she taught second grade students in Watts, the predominately black community in Los Angeles, she became aware that black students knew little about their own history, or how African-Americans for centuries overcame obstacles and achieved success. As she delved into civil rights history she found omissions and revisionism in history texts that prevent students and teachers from knowing the truth about black history. This discovery caused her to compile her extensive research for "Black History 1619 to 2019".

Frances P. Rice is a retired Lieutenant Colonel with 20 years of active service and several distinguished medals. She holds a Juris Doctorate degree from the University of California, Hastings College of Law and a Master of Business Administration from Golden Gate University, San Francisco. She worked for McDonnell Douglas a government contract advisor on the law of space exploration. She taught Business Law for the European Division of the University of Maryland in Brussels, Belgium. She has been researching black history since the 1960s and is a co-founder of the Yocum African-American History Association.

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