

# USD Just Read! 2017-2018

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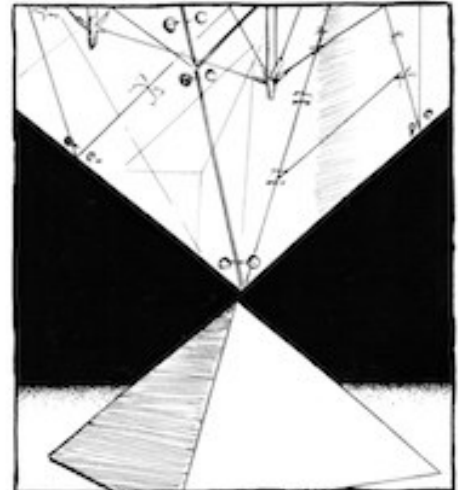
## Between the World and Me Ta-Nehisi Coates

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FROM LEARNING HOW  
TO PRESERVE THE BODY

TO LIFTING THE VEIL  
ON THE DREAM

TO FINDING (OR MAKING)  
YOUR OWN MECCA.



## Book Discussion

Coates' *Between the World and Me* raises some of the most important, but challenging, issues the United States is facing today. Join facilitators from the Kroc School's Masters of Arts in Peace and Justice for a discussion of the book and its central themes. Together we will explore what this important work means for the country, San Diego, and our USD community.

Facilitated by Peace Studies Graduate Students.

Lunch will be provided. RSVP via the USD Events Portal

### Event Information:

Thursday, October 5  
12:30 - 2:30pm, KIPJ-E

Thursday, November 16  
12:30 - 2:30pm, KIPJ-E





**USD Just Read!**

**2017 - 2018**

**Movies with Meaning**

**Film Series**

# Poverty, Inc.

*Sponsored by Changemaker Hub*

*& the Center for Ethics, Economics and Public Policy*

The screening will be followed by a discussion with Magatte Wade, a Senegalese entrepreneur who is featured in the film.

**Tuesday, October 10**

**6:00pm - 8:30pm**

**KIPJ Peace & Justice Theater**

# Discussion

10/24 7-8:30pm UC 103 A&B



Co-sponsored with the Institute for Civil Civic Engagement. *Facilitated by Dr. Karen Shelby, Assistant Director of the Institute for Civil Civic Engagement, Visiting Professor, Political Science and Dr. Carl Luna, Director, Institute for Civil Civic Engagement, Visiting Professor, Political Science.*

The USD Just Read! program, in partnership with the Institute for Civil Civic Engagement, is hosting a guided group discussion for students, faculty, and staff on how to start engaging discussions on race and equity in our classrooms, dorm rooms and offices. The 90 minute session will begin with a brief panel discussion by USD faculty, staff and students, building on the issues raised in this year's Just Read! selection "Between the World and Me," followed by an hour-long discussion amongst attendees facilitated by the San Diego Deliberation Network.

*The goal of the session is to examine even the difficulties of holding meaning, cross-experiential conversations on issues of race and equity, and explore pathways to close the gap between our individual collective worlds.*

**[RSVP HERE](#)**

# Black is Beautiful Night

10/25 6-8pm UC Forum A



## *Featuring Harold Green*

AUTHOR | MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKER | NEW AGE POET | RENAISSANCE MAN

Primarily a poet, Harold Green is an ever-evolving artist with a skill set that defies categorization. His vibrant storytelling and passionate lyrical delivery continue to captivate audiences both domestically and internationally. With repeat sell-out shows at some of Chicago's largest and most popular music venues, Green is not only a highly sought-after talent, but an equally respected band leader and event producer.

Aggressively working to move the genre forward, each show that Green curates is a one-of-a-kind, full sensory, multi-disciplinary experience drawing guests from all sides of the city and country, breaking down barriers and pushing far beyond the limitations of the traditional "coffee-house spoken word" blueprint.

[\*\*RSVP HERE\*\*](#)



# Student Essay Contest

## 2017-2018 USD Just Read! Student Essay Contest

Announcing the 2017-2018 Just Read! Student Essay Contest. Any current USD student is eligible to enter.

### Essay Topic

With a specific argument, consider a current social justice issue with direct relationship and connection to issues raised by the content and/or context of *Between the World and Me*. As part of your argument, *Between the World and Me* should be discussed and cited directly. You may also cite outside sources, but it is *not* a requirement. Submissions may be individually or group authored.

### Essay Rules

- Suggested essay length is around 1300 words (1500 words max).
- Entries due: March 16, 2018 via an online submission form, accessible via the USD Portal by the end of October.
- Entries will be judged by select faculty and administrators involved with *USD Just Read!*

### Judging Criteria

Essays that meet the Submission Requirement will be scored on the four criteria listed below.  
**Significance:** Identify and address a social justice issue that is of significant concern stemming from your reading of *Between the World and Me*.

**Social Justice Principles:** Explicitly identify the principles that are relevant and important to your considering at the issue(s).

**Strength of Argument:** Provide supportive evidence (e.g., personal narrative, scholarly sources) for your argument in a clear and organized manner

**Connection to Book:** Connect and integrate your argument with ideas from *Between the World and Me* in a complex and deep manner.

### Prizes

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place \$400
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place \$200
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place \$100

# November Preview

**Book Discussion facilitated by Peace Studies Graduate Students**

**Black Men's Collective Panel/Conversation**

**Movie: Fruitvale Station**

# USD Just Read Resources

*Between the World and Me* Blackboard Organization

A Blackboard Organization has been set up to reference and share resource materials related to this year's USD Just Read! selection, *Between the World and Me*. All USD faculty, staff, and students are welcome to become members. If you are interested in having access to this Blackboard Organization, contact the CEE by phone (619-260-7402) or email ([cee@sandiego.edu](mailto:cee@sandiego.edu)) and request to be enrolled.



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Our Spark page with the most current event updates and registration links.