

**BLACK HISTORY FOR  
EVERY DAY OF THE YEAR**

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# TIMELINE OF THE YEAR OF AFRICA, 1960

JANUARY

Cameroon

APRIL

Togo

MAY

JUNE

Madagascar

Democratic  
Republic of  
Congo

JULY

Somalia

AUGUST

Benin

Niger

Burkina  
Faso

Congo  
Republic

Gabon

Senegal

Chad

Ivory  
Coast

SEPTEMBER

Mali

OCTOBER

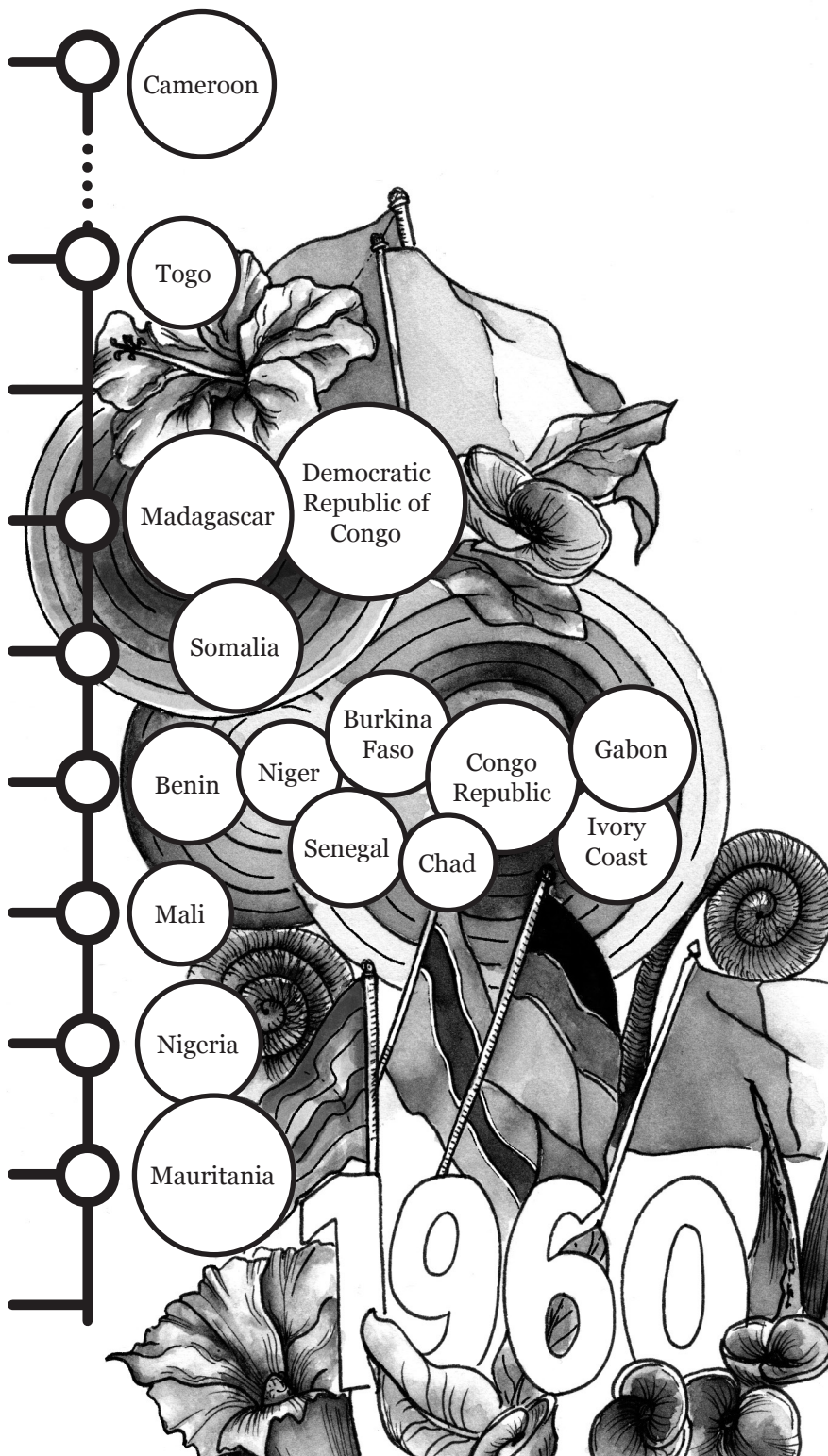
Nigeria

NOVEMBER

Mauritania

DECEMBER

1960



## TIMELINE 1 - ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ENGLISH TRADE IN ENSLAVED AFRICANS

**1558:** Elizabeth I becomes Queen of England

**1606:** King James I establishes Virginia as an English colony

**1666:** The Great Fire of London

**1727:** George II becomes King

**1760:** George III becomes King

**1533**

Thomas Wyndham's journey to Africa

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**1562**

First slave journey of John Hawkins

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**1619**

Twenty enslaved Africans are delivered to the English colony of Virginia

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**1625**

English claim Barbados for King James I

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**1661**

Publication of the Barbados Slave Code

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**1672**

Royal African Company of England given monopoly of trade to Africa

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**1730**

The Little George Ship Revolt

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**1752**

Hue and Cry ad for the return of a runaway slave

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**1781**

The Zong Massacre

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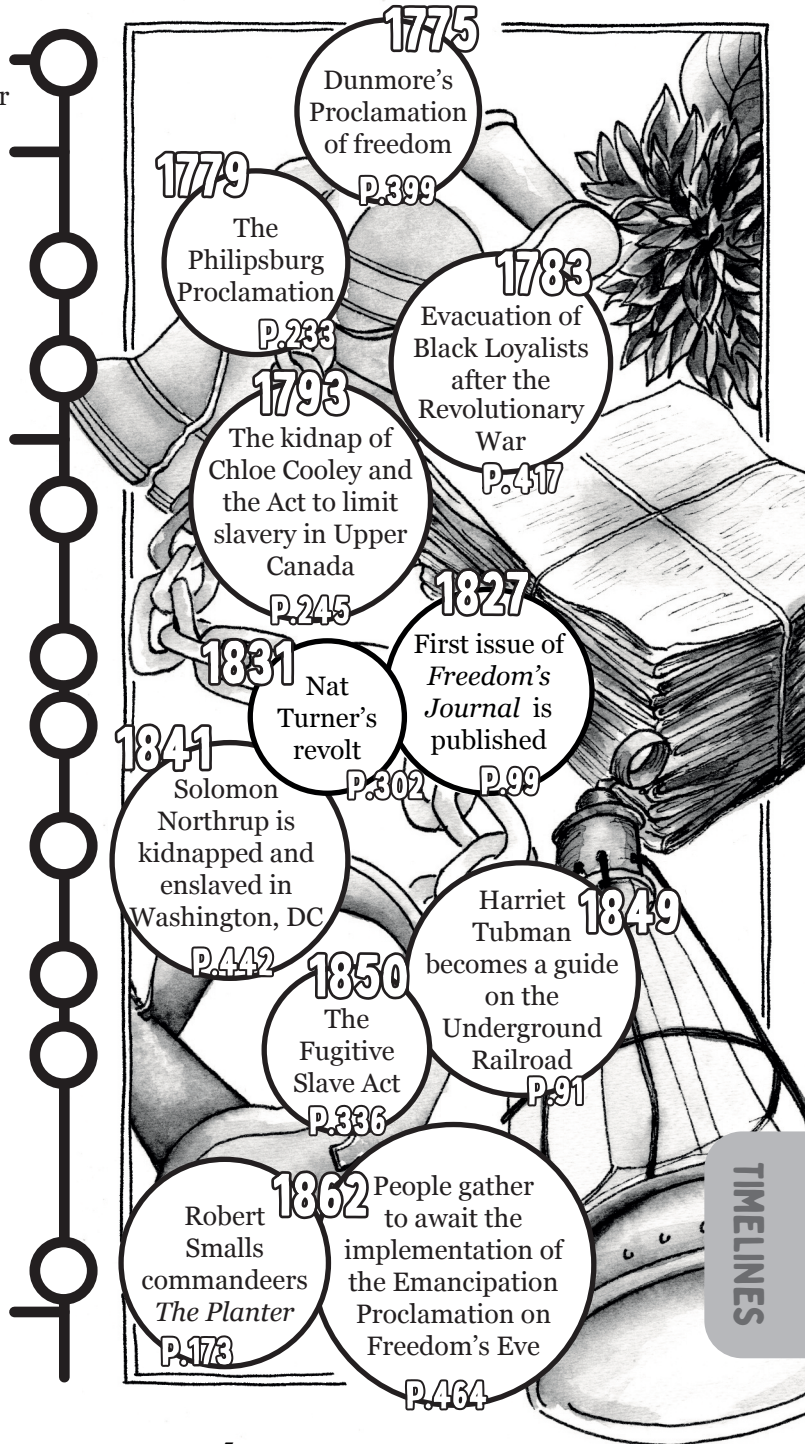
## TIMELINE 2 - BLACK RESISTANCE TO SLAVERY IN NORTH AMERICA

**1775:** American Revolutionary War

**1776:** The Declaration of Independence

**1787:** Founding Fathers draw up the Constitution

**1863:** The Emancipation Proclamation





## TIMELINE 3 - BLACK RESISTANCE TO SLAVERY IN THE CARIBBEAN

**1664:** Jamaica  
Slave Code

**1713-15:** Treaty of  
Utrecht ends the  
Spanish monopoly  
on the Slave Trade

**1794:** France  
abolishes slavery  
in its colonies

**1798:** Britain  
passes the  
Amelioration Act

**1802:** Napoleon  
reestablishes  
slavery in  
French colonies

**1848 :**France  
abolishes  
slavery again

**1661**  
Publication  
of the  
Barbados  
Slave Code  
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**1760**  
Tacky  
leads the  
violent revolt of  
Jamaica's  
enslaved  
P.128

**1795**  
Fédon  
demands  
surrender from  
the British  
colonizers  
P.84

**1831**  
Sam Sharpe's  
Christmas  
Rebellion begins  
with the burning  
of plantations  
P.460

**1743**  
Toussaint  
L'Ouverture  
born in Saint-  
Domingue  
P.183

**1791**  
The  
Haitian  
Revolution  
begins  
P.301

**1816**  
Martial Law  
declared against  
the Barbados  
Slave Revolt  
P.140

**1833**  
British Slavery  
Abolition Act  
passes  
Parliament  
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**1865**  
The  
Morant Bay  
Rebellion  
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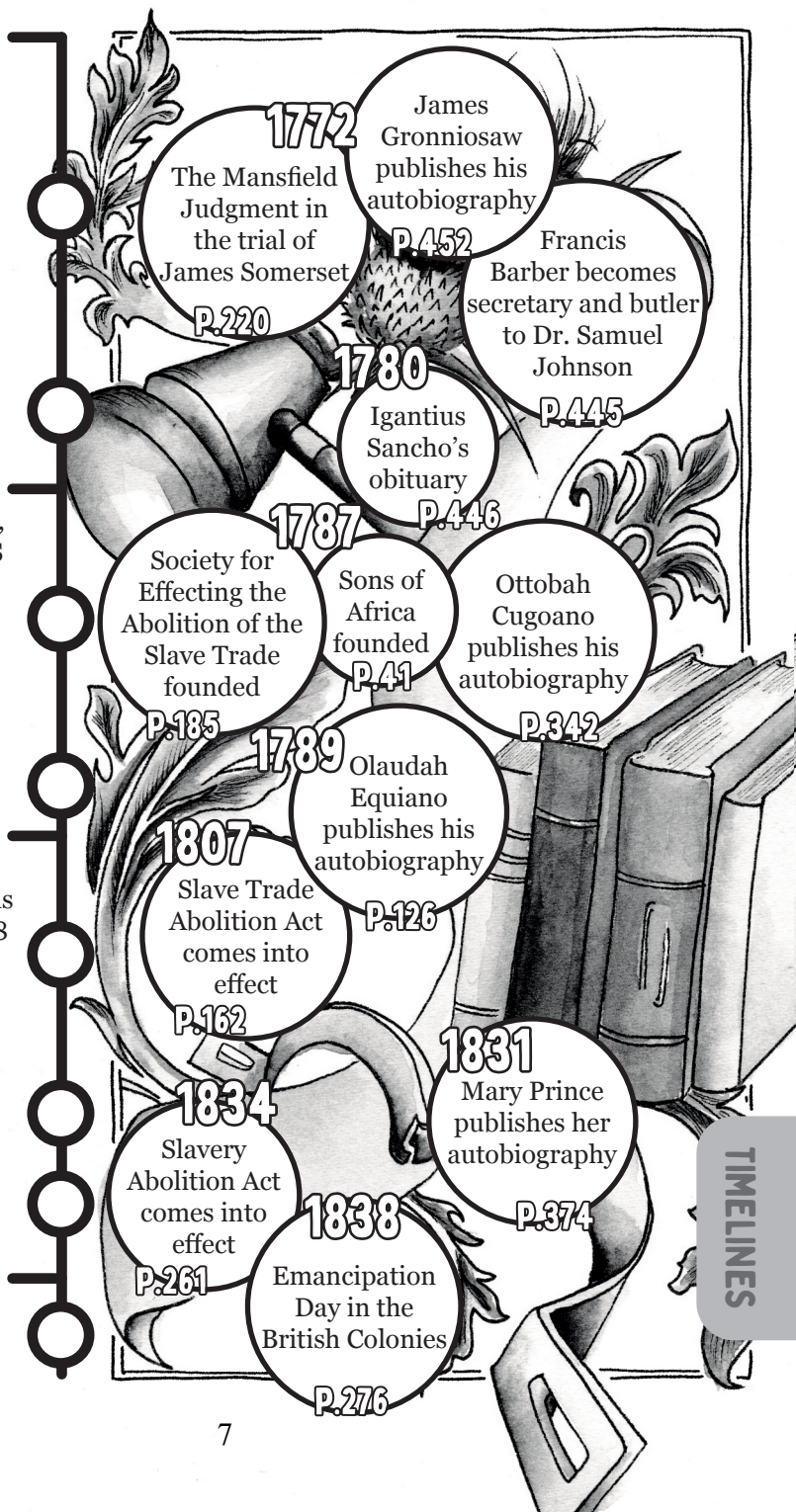
## TIMELINE 4 - THE BRITISH ABOLITIONIST MOVEMENT & BLACK PEOPLE IN GEORGIAN BRITAIN

**1760:** George III becomes King

**1783:** Britain signs the Treaty of Paris, recognising the US as an independent country

**1790:** Abolition Bill is defeated in the House of Commons by 1693 votes to 88

**1837:** Victoria becomes Queen





## TIMELINE 5 - VICTORIAN ANTISLAVERY MOVEMENT

**1837:** The Slave Compensation Act is passed

**1845:** War breaks out in New Zealand between British colonizers and indigenous Māoris

**1858:** British establish Crown Rule in India

**1863:** Abraham Lincoln's Gettysburg Address

**1885:** The Statue of Liberty arrives from France

**1889:** The Eiffel Tower in Paris is completed

**1833**  
The Slavery Abolition Act  
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**1838**  
Frederick Douglass escapes enslavement  
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**1840**  
World Anti-Slavery Convention in London  
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**1841**  
*The Creole* slave ship rebellion  
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**1851**  
Soujourner Truth speaks at the Ohio Woman's Rights Convention  
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**1849**  
Henry "Box" Brown posts himself to freedom  
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**1852**  
Publication of *Uncle Tom's Cabin*  
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**1859**  
Sarah Remond's speech in Manchester  
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**1873**  
The Fisk Jubilee Singers begin their world tour  
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**1888**  
The "Lei Áurea" ends slavery in Brazil  
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## TIMELINE 6 - BLACK CONTRIBUTION TO THE FIRST AND SECOND WORLD WARS

**1914:** The First World War begins when Austria-Hungary declares war on Serbia

**1917:** The United States enters the First World War

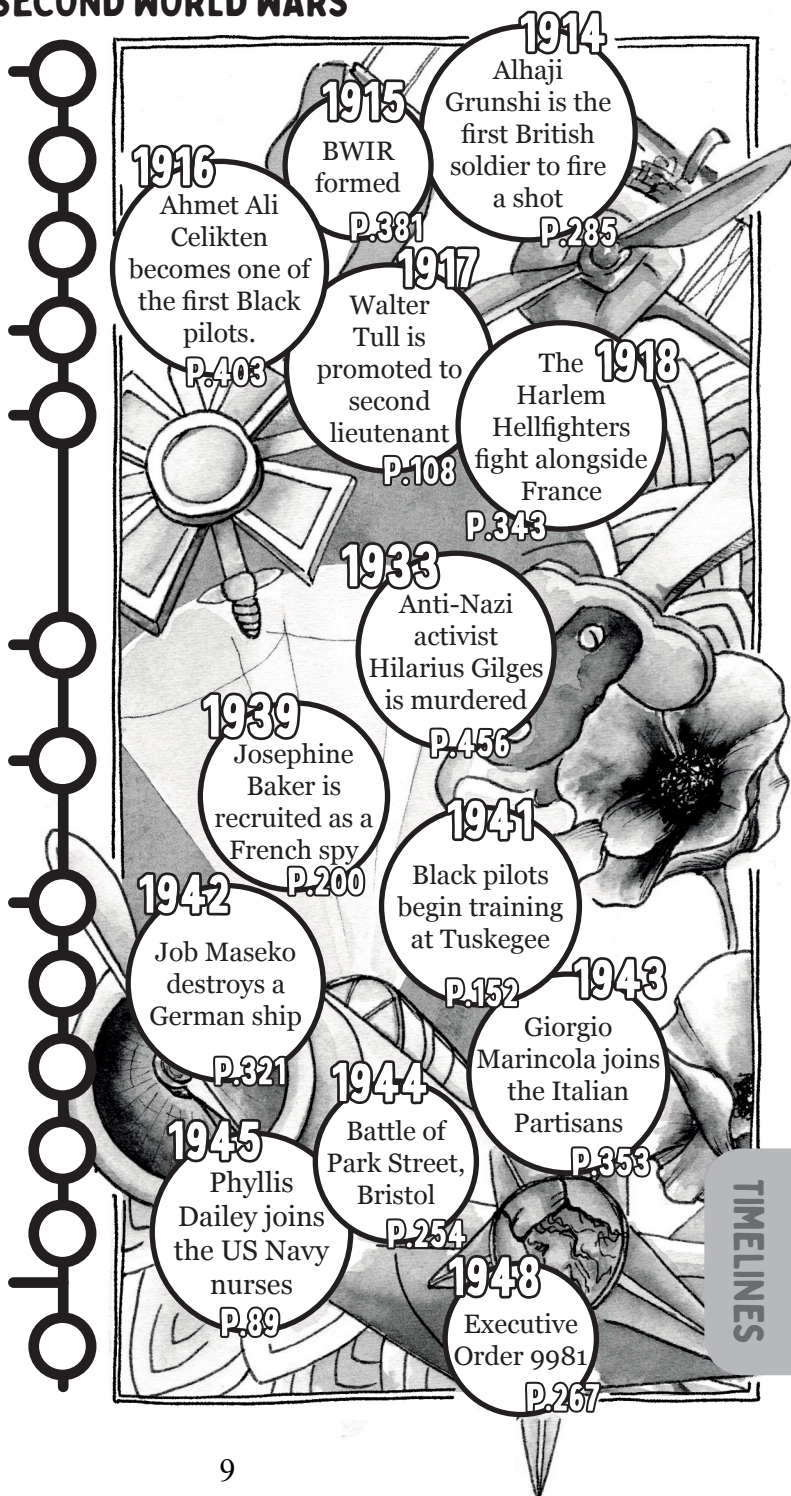
**1918:** The First World War ends with the Armistice on September 11

**1933:** Adolf Hitler becomes German Chancellor

**1939:** The Second World War begins when Germany invades Poland

**1941:** The United States enters the Second World War

**1945:** The Second World War ends





## TIMELINE 7 - CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT OF THE 1950s/60s

**1953:** The Korean War ends

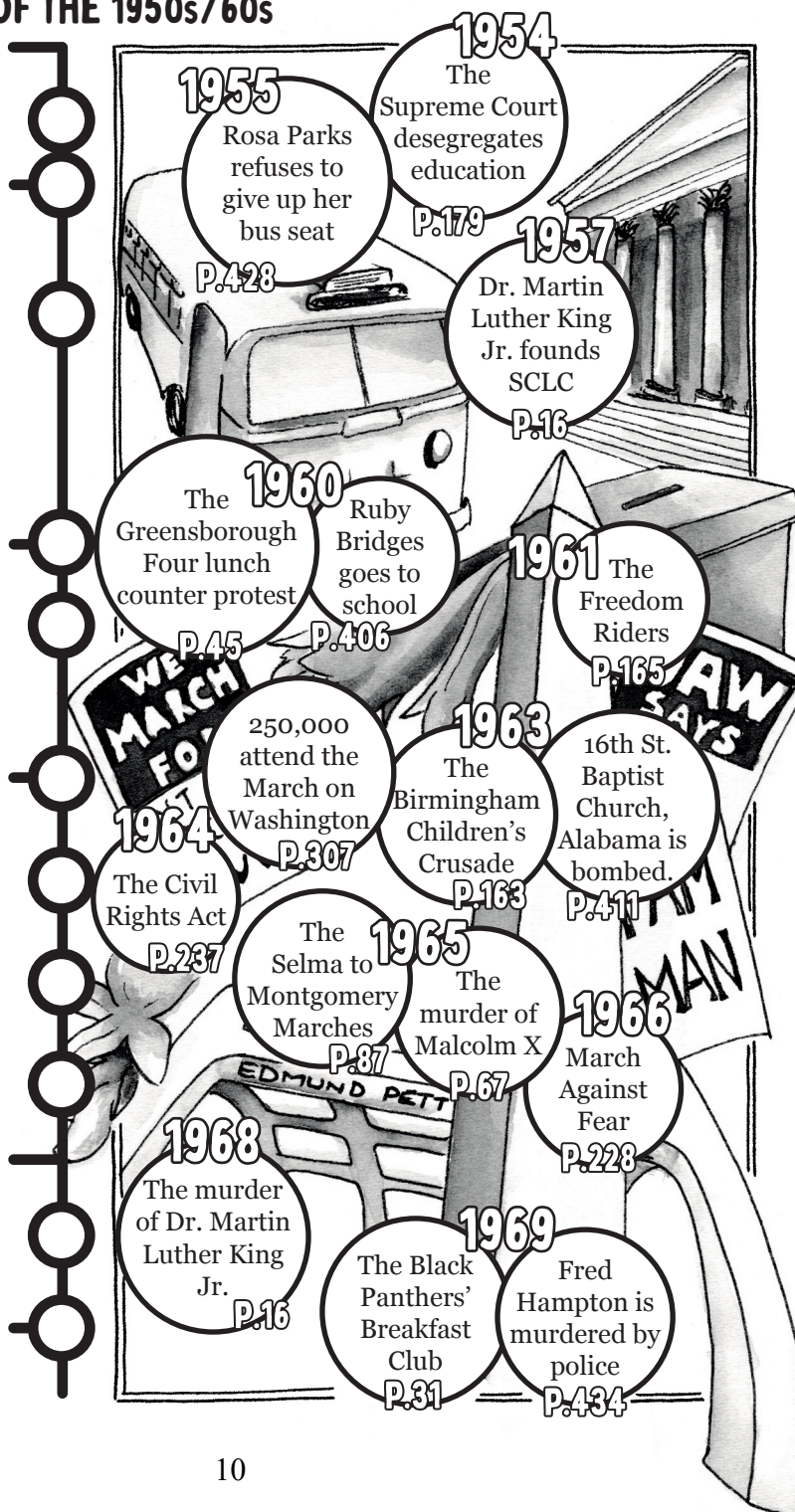
**1955:** The Vietnam War begins

**1960:** John. F. Kennedy becomes President

**1963:** President Kennedy is assassinated

**1967:** The Biafran War begins

**1969:** First episode of *Sesame Street* airs





## TIMELINE 8 - THE CAMPAIGN AGAINST APARTHEID

**1948:** Apartheid laws passed

**1952:** ANC begins its Defiance Campaign

**1961:** ANC begins its campaign of sabotage

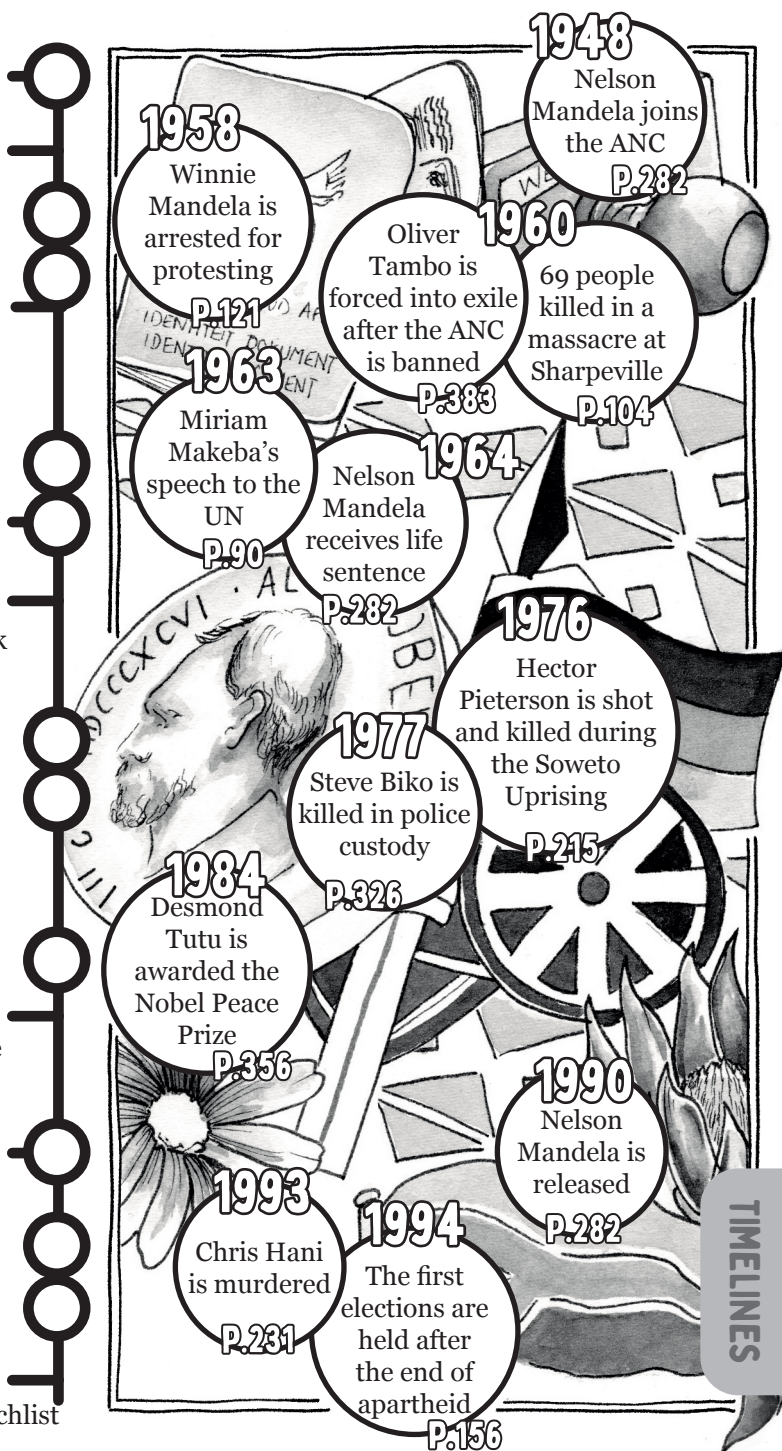
**1964:** Olympics bans South Africa

**1966:** "Father of apartheid" Hendrik Verwoerd is stabbed to death in Parliament

**1987:** British PM Thatcher labels the ANC as terrorists

**1990:** ANC ban is lifted

**2008:** US takes ANC off terror watchlist



## TIMELINE 9 - IMPERIALISM AND COLONIALISM

**1890:** British South Africa Company under Cecil Rhodes starts claiming swaths of southern Africa

**1908:** Belgian government takes control of the Congo from King Leopold when his atrocities become public  
**1953:** Algerian protesters in Paris massacred by police

**1962:** End of the Algerian War of Independence

**1980:** Rhodesia gains independence and becomes Zimbabwe

**1884** Berlin Conference outlines plans for European exploitation of Africa  
**P.408**

**1887** Zulu Kingdom is broken up and declared British Territory  
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**1896** Taytu Betal leads the Ethiopian forces to victory over the Italians  
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**1897** Benin City attacked and raided by the British  
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**1904** Hendrik Witbooi leads the Nama uprising  
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**1954** Britain begins its brutal put down of the Mau Mau Rebellion  
**P.262**

**1957** Under Prime Minister Kwame Nkrumah, Ghana gains its independence  
**P.86 & 236**

**1960** Seventeen African colonies gain their independence  
**P.4**

Patrice Lumumba of the Congo is murdered  
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**1961** Frantz Fanon writes *The Wretched of the Earth*  
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**1987** Thomas Sankara of Burkina Faso is murdered  
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## TIMELINE 10 - RACISM IN BRITAIN: POSTWAR MIGRATION TO 2020S

**1948** : The National Health Service is founded

**1953**: Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II

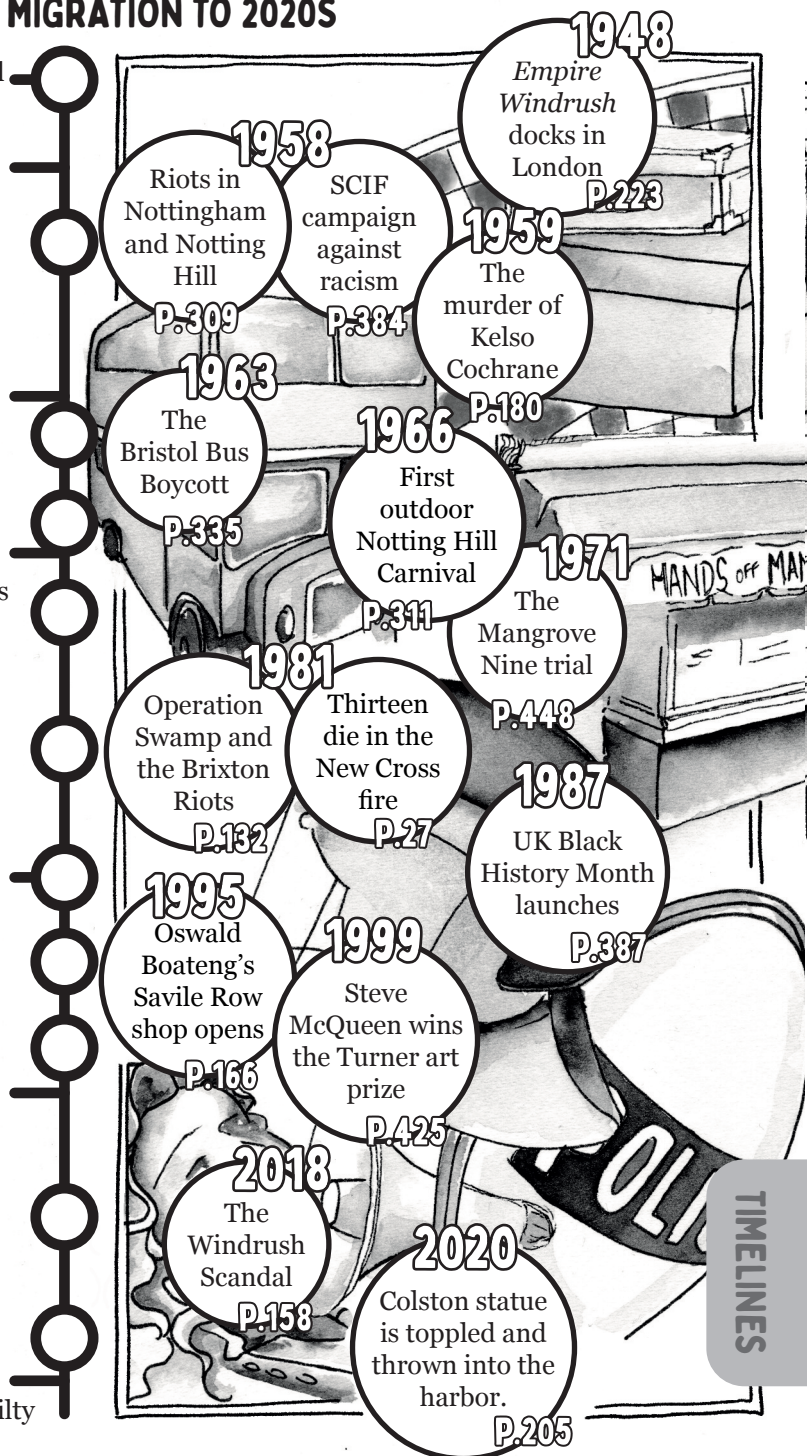
**1962**: Commonwealth Immigrants Act

**1968**: British MP Enoch Powell gives "Rivers of Blood" speech

**1987**: Britain elects its first Black MPs

**2001**: The Race Relations Amendment Act

**2022**: The Colston Four found not guilty



## TIMELINE 11 ~ BLACK CREATIVES: FROM THE HARLEM RENAISSANCE TO THE BLACK ARTS MOVEMENT

**1918:** The First World War ends

**1919:** The Red Summer

**1924:** Van Der Zee becomes official photographer for Marcus Garvey

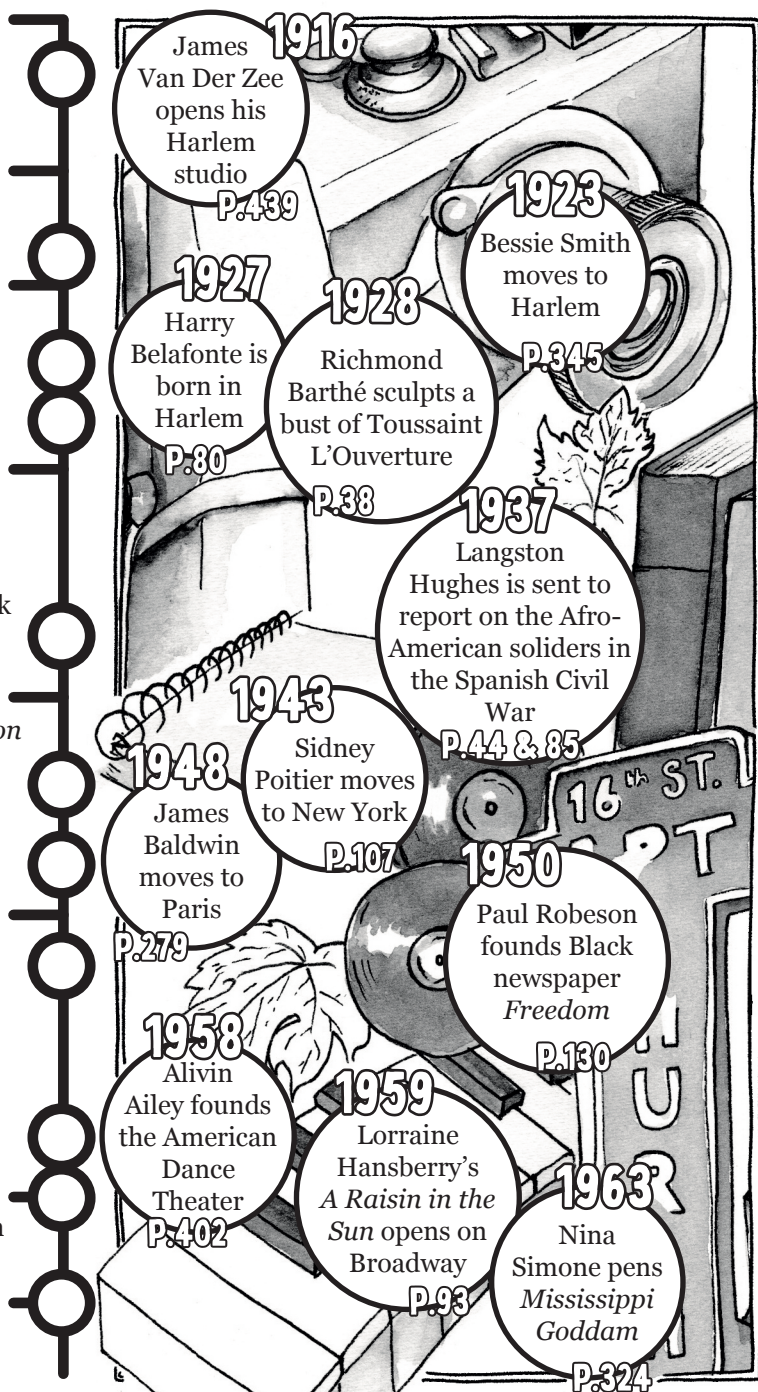
**1929:** Beauford Delaney, painter and mentor to James Baldwin, moves to New York

**1940:** Richard Wright's *Native Son* published

**1949:** The Peeskill Riots

**1959:** The Cuban Revolution ends in victory

**1963:** The bombing of the 16th St. Baptist Church



**TIMELINE 12 - BLACK CREATIVES: STEM**

**1895:** Invention of X-ray

**1915:** First use of poison gas in the First World War

**1946:** First general use computer ENIAC is built at the University of Pennsylvania

**1961:** Yuri Gagarin is the first human in space

**1969:** Neil Armstrong is the first human on the Moon

**1980:** Smallpox is declared eradicated after global vaccination effort

**1994:** First smartphone

