Grades 4-6
January 15 marks the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Dr. King was the principal leader of the civil rights movement in the United States during the 50s and 60s. He promoted non-violent solutions to African American demands for social justice and was awarded the 1964 Nobel Peace Prize. This interactive program focuses on the life of Dr. King and celebrates his contributions and achievements as a civil rights leader.

SPRING GARDEN
Friday, January 5 / 10 a.m.

DARTMOUTH NORTH
Friday, January 12 / 10:30 a.m.

HALIFAX NORTH
Thursday, January 18 / 1:15 p.m.

Puppet Show
Little Martin
Grades 4+ - 3
This special puppet show presentation chronicles the life of the little boy who grew up to be the great American civil rights leader, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

HALIFAX NORTH
Thursday, January 25 / 1:15 p.m.
Puppet Shows

Grades P - 2
Rhinos for Lunch and Elephants for Supper

In this lighthearted Maasai tale, a rabbit is terrified by a booming voice from her cave proclaiming to be a “monster” who eats “rhinos for lunch and elephants for supper.” Afraid to enter her home, the rabbit seeks help from various large jungle animals, but it’s a small frog who saves the day.

COLE HARBOUR
Wednesday, February 7 / 10 a.m.

Grades P - 3
African Trickster Tales

You don't have to be big to cause a whole heap of trouble, as you will see in our puppet show presentation of two trickster tales - “Rhinos for Lunch and Elephants for Supper” and “Tiger Soup”.

DARTMOUTH NORTH
Wednesday, February 21 / 1:30 p.m.

Grades P - 3
Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters

Which of Mufaro's daughters will the king choose to be queen? A Cinderella-type tale of two sisters from Zimbabwe.

SPRING GARDEN
Thursday, February 15 / 10 a.m.

Grades 4 - 6
George Dixon

Travel back in time with Trevell and meet the famous boxer George Dixon. The year is 1885 and George is just starting his career. Facing racism and ridicule, he doesn’t give up and goes on to become one of Canada's best known boxers. Please call Annette MacIntyre, 490-5767, to book a performance at the Halifax North Memorial Public Library.
Grades P - 2

**African Tales**

African culture has a wealth of stories, many featuring animals as main characters. Explore Africa – hear some wonderful folk tales, tap 'n clap to traditional music, and meet some amazing African animals!

TANTALLON  
Wednesday, February 21 / 9:30 a.m.

Grades 7 - 9  

**Black Firsts**

This program showcases the achievements of several groundbreaking leaders of Nova Scotia’s Black community, including Buddy Daye, Wayne Adams, Rose Fortune and George Dixon. Celebrate some of the “firsts” in African Nova Scotian history with Marcus James. Call 490-5759 and book a time for this special presentation at the Halifax North Memorial Public Library.

Grades P - 2  

**Amazing Grace Story Hour**

Meet Grace, a charming storybook character filled with boundless energy and imagination! Author Mary Hoffman writes about a wonderful little girl with an indomitable spirit.

KESHEN GOODMAN  
Friday, February 23 / 10:30 a.m.

CAPTAIN WILLIAM SPRY  
Wednesday, February 28 / 10 a.m.

Grades 4 - 6

**Presenting Author & Storyteller Itah Sadu**

Itah Sadu has enchanted children for more than 20 years as a writer and storyteller. Her storytelling is dynamic and she enthralls her audiences with unique stories steeped in the rich oral traditions of the Caribbean, Africa, North America and her personal experiences. Some of her titles include *Christopher, Please Clean Up Your Room*, *Christopher Changes His Name*, and *Name Calling*. Itah lives in Toronto with her family where she writes, tells stories and owns a unique bookstore. These readings are contingent upon funding by The Canada Council for the Arts. Please check with the hosting branches.

COLE HARBOUR  
Wednesday, February 21 / 1 p.m.

ALDERNEY GATE  
Thursday, February 22 / 10 a.m.

HALIFAX NORTH  
Thursday, February 22 / 1:30 p.m.

Grades 4 - 6  

**Fun with Hip Hop**

The evolution of hip hop music and dance is a fascinating journey. Meet Natalie Hodgson, dancer, actor and storyteller. She will talk about the development of the hip hop movement and teach you some dance routines.

COLE HARBOUR  
Wednesday, February 14 / 10 a.m.

Grades 4 - 6  

**African Heritage Month Youth Quiz**

In an annual tradition that spans 20 years, students from local junior high schools will compete in a game show style quiz that tests their knowledge of Black history and culture. The winning team from the Halifax North branch quiz challenges the winning team from the Cole Harbour branch quiz in this battle of knowledge. Come out and cheer on your favourite team!

Preliminary Rounds

COLE HARBOUR  
Thursday, February 8 / 9 a.m.

HALIFAX NORTH  
Friday, February 9 / 12:30 p.m.

Semi-finals and Finals  
HALIFAX NORTH  
Thursday, February 15 / 9:30 a.m.