

**Books by Black Teachers and Practitioners of the Buddha Dharma (this list is in no way exhaustive). Websites have been added by to those who have one.**

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**Anthologies and Collaborations**

- Black and Buddhist: What Buddhism Can Teach Us About Race, Resilience, Transformation and Freedom. Eds. Cheryl A. Giles and Pamela Ayo Yetunde (2020) Shambhala.
- Radical Dharma: Talking Race, Love and Liberation by Rev. Angel Kyodo Williams, Lama Rod Owens, Jasmine Syedullah (2016) North Atlantic Books.

**Kiara Jewel Lingo** <https://www.kairajewel.com/>

- We Were Made for These Times: Ten Lessons for Moving Through Change, Loss, and Disruption (2021) Parallax Press.

**Kate Johnson** <https://www.katejohnson.com/>

- Radial Friendship: Seven Ways to Love Yourself and Find Your People In an Unjust World (2021) Shambhala.

**Larry Ward** <https://www.thelotusinstitute.org/about-us>

- America's Racial Karma: An Invitation to Heal (2020) Parallax Press.

**Ruth King** <https://ruthking.net/>

- Mindful of Race: Transforming Racism from the Inside Out ( 2018) Sounds True.

**Earthlyn Zenju Manuel** (some of her selected works) <https://zenju.org/>

- The Way of Tenderness: Awakening Through Race, Sexuality and Gender (2015) Wisdom Publications.
- Sanctuary: A Meditation on Home, Homelessness, and Belonging (2018) Wisdom Publications.
- The Shamanic Roots of Zen: Revealing the Ancestral Spirit and Mystical Heart of a Sacred Tradition (2022) Shambhala.
- Opening to Darkness: Eight Gateways for Being with the Absence of Light in Unsettling Times (2023) Sounds True.

**Rhonda V. Magee** <https://www.rhondavmagee.com/>

- The Inner Work of Racial Justice: Healing Ourselves and Transforming Our Communities Through Mindfulness (2019) TarcherPerigee

**Lama Rod Owens** <https://www.lamarod.com/>

- The New Saints: From Broken Hearts to Spiritual Warriors (2023) Sounds True
- Love and Rage: The Path of Liberation Through Anger (2020) North Atlantic Books

**Sebene Selassie** <https://www.sebeneselassie.com/>

- You Belong: A Call for Connection (2020) Harper One.

**Rima Vesley-Flad**

- Black Buddhists and the Liberatory Tradition: The Practice of Stillness in the Movement for Liberation (2022) NYU Press.

**Spring Washam** <https://www.springwasham.com/>

- The Spirit of Harriet Tubman: Awakening from the Underground (2023) Hayhouse Inc.
- A Fierce Heart. Spring Washam (2019) Hayhouse Inc.

**Rev. Angel Kyodo Williams** <https://revangel.com/>

- Being Black: Zen and the Art of Living Fearlessly with Grace (2000) Penguin Books.

**Jan Willis**

- Dreaming Me: Black, Buddhist and Baptist: One Woman's Spiritual Journey (2008) Wisdom Publications.

#### **Forthcoming Publications in February 2024**

Healing Our Way Home: Black Buddhist Teachings on Ancestors, Joy, and Liberation by Kaira Jewel Lingo, Valerie Brown , and Marisela B. Gomez. Parallax Press

- *Join three friends, three Black women, all teachers in the Plum Village tradition founded by Zen Master Thich Nhat Hanh, in intimate conversation, touching on the pain and beauty of their families of origin, relationships and loneliness, intimacy and sexuality, politics, popular culture, race, self-care and healing. No subject is out of bounds in this free-flowing, wide-ranging offering of mindful wisdom to nourish our sense of belonging and connection with ancestors.*

Lifting as They Climb: Black Women Buddhists and Collective Liberation by Toni Pressley-Sanon

- *Lifting as They Climb is a love letter of freedom and self-expression from six Black women Buddhist teachers, conveyed through the voice of author Toni Pressley-Sanon, one of the innumerable people who have benefitted from their wisdom. She explores their remarkable lives and undertakes deep readings of their work, weaving them into the broader tapestry of the African diaspora and the historical struggle for Black liberation.*