

## COMMENTARY IN LIBRARY LAND & LEARNING MATERIALS

- ❖ [\*White Supremacy Culture From Dismantling Racism: A Workbook for Social Change Groups\*](#)

**By Kenneth Jones & Tema Okun, 2001**

Outlines the characteristics that are based on and uphold white supremacist culture, how they are damaging, and how to resist these subconscious norms and standards.

- ❖ [\*A chronic lack of nuance & a love of the hypothetical: a library story\*](#)

**By Fobazi Ettarh, 2019**

The Toronto Public Library debacle hosting of the conservative writer/journalist, Meghan Murphy. *Author's note:* Content warning – this post contains discussions of transphobia and TERF rhetoric. [This event does not cover a hate group since Murphy was an individual speaker but several months later, she spoke in conjunction with the Women's Liberation Front (WoLF) at Seattle Public Library. This event has been included for context and article for Ettarh's thoughtful analysis.]

- ❖ [\*Neutrality is Hostility: The Impact of \(False\) Neutrality in Academic Librarianship\*](#)

**By Jennifer A. Ferretti, 2018**

Critique on why critical librarianship is not neutral from the perspective of a American Latina librarian. Originally presented as a lecture but edited for print in Medium.

- ❖ [\*Neutrality is Polite Oppression: How critical librarianship and pedagogy principles counter neutral narratives and benefit the profession\*](#)

**By Jennifer A. Ferretti, November 2018**

Presentation of Ferretti's talk.

- ❖ <http://www.inthelibrarywiththeleadpipe.org/2019/no-holds-barred/>

Effective study of the main security mindsets of the library environment and a contemplative proponent of the community perspective.

- ❖ [Disrupting Whiteness in Libraries and Librarianship: A Reading List](#)

*This guide is in progress.*

**Developed by Karla J. Strand, DPhil, MLIS**

And if you really love reading...this collection includes academic publishing, periodicals, blogs, organizations, classification, and more focused on race, racism, and disrupting whiteness and white supremacy in libraries, organized by topic.

- ❖ [Bodies of Knowledge](#)

**By Megan Summer**

### NEWS ARTICLES

- ❖ [Toronto Public Library under fire for refusing to cancel Meghan Murphy event](#)

**The Canadian Press—by Paola Loriggio**

Local coverage of the TPL speaker event in 2019

- ❖ [Hundreds protest controversial Toronto Public Library event featuring Meghan Murphy](#)

**By KC Hoard 2019**

Local coverage of the TPL speaker event and critique from the community.

- ❖ [Amid outcry, Seattle Public Library weighs decision to provide venue for 'radical feminist' event criticized as anti-trans](#)

**Seattle Times—by Crystal Paul, December 2019**

Local coverage of this event with both commentary from SPL Chief Librarian and local community.

- ❖ [King County libraries' Drag Queen Story Hours engage many and enrage others](#)

**By Marcus Harrison Green, June 2019**

General coverage of this event and opposition

- ❖ [Opposition and supporters of Drag Queen Story Hour make showing in Issaquah](#)  
**By Ashley Hiruko and Aaron Kunkler, June 2019**

Reporting of Issaquah community listening session on Drag Queen Story Time and appearance made by Proud Boys during this; included for context

- ❖ [Toronto library defends allowing controversial memorial service to go ahead: City librarian says decision to allow memorial organized by white nationalists was difficult](#)  
**CBC News, July 2017**

Commentary from Vickery Bowles on decision to allow memorial for Barbara Kulaszka at library

- ❖ [MEMORIAL ATTENDED BY NEO-NAZIS HELD AT TORONTO LIBRARY, DESPITE OUTCRY](#)  
**By Sheri Shefa, Staff Reporter, July 2017**

More commentary on this event with more from community.

- ❖ [Nevada sheriff to library: Support Black Lives Matter? Don't bother calling 911](#)  
**Anjeanette Damon, July 2020**

Included for context of recent support for BLM in the library and the risk that comes with making a 'non-neutral' statement on what is considered a divisive political subject

- ❖ [Douglas County Library's Draft Black Lives Matter Statement Leads to Conflict with Sheriff, Protests](#)  
**by Lisa Peet, August 2020**

Includes short update about staff investigation due to BLM statement

### [ALA RESOURCES FOR REFERENCE](#)

[The Library Bill of Rights](#)

[Code of Ethics](#)

[Interpretations of the Library Bill of Rights](#)

[The Southern Poverty Law Center](#) references

[Hate Map](#)

[Teaching Tolerance Program](#)

[Statement on BLM & Antifa](#)

[Sounds Like Hate podcast](#)

[Black Lives Matter is Not a Hate Group](#) [explanation and examples of Black Separatists]

## HATE SPEECH

- ★ [Full list of hate speech laws by country](#)
- ❖ [The Law Dictionary: The Legalities of Hate Speech](#)
- ❖ [Why Laws Against Hate Speech are Dangerous](#)

Opinion piece against restrictions of free speech laws.

The Legal Project: [European Hate Speech Laws](#)

Opposing 'viewpoint.' A project managed by the Middle East Forum "to protect researchers and analysts who work on the topics of terrorism, terrorist funding, and radical Islam from lawsuits designed to silence their exercise of free speech." This site is critical about how hate speech laws currently function but has a hard, political bias as its interest is to "counter the Islamist threat."

- ❖ [Comparing Hate Speech Laws In The U.S. And Abroad](#)

Op-ed about from **2011** about hate speech laws; short 4-minute listen with accompanying transcript.

- ❖ [\*We should follow other countries' lead on hate speech by changing 18C\*](#)

**December 2016**

Article discussing the pros to changing freedom of speech laws concerning hate speech with parallels to other countries.

### NON-LIS RELATED

- ❖ [What Is Social Capital and Why Is It So Important?](#)

**Dr. Rick L. Mask, Associate Dean of Business at South New Hampshire University**

A review of the importance of social capital and why do we have so much trouble utilizing it correctly.

- ❖ [Understanding Oppression](#)

**by Leticia Nieto and Margot F. Boyer**

REVIEW

- ❖ ['The Wrong Complexion For Protection.' How Race Shaped America's Roadways And Cities](#)

**by Ashish Valentine, talking with Robert Bullard**

4-minute listen and accompanying article about the effects of urban planning on the health of POC and how building roadways enforced the "separate but equal" doctrine, effectively separating people from public resources.