

***Up from Mississippi:
the Warmth of Iowa's Sun***

A Cedar Valley Campus/Community
Book Discussion Series

*The Warmth of Other Suns:
The Epic Story of America's Great Migration*
by Isabel Wilkerson
(New York: Random House, 2010)

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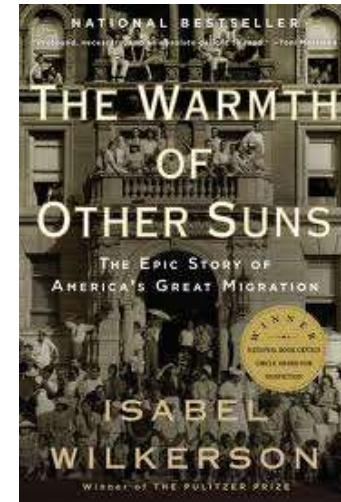
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Ms. Wilkerson's presentation will launch community-wide book discussions (various times and locations) with special focus on the Great Migration into Waterloo and the Cedar Valley. Project scholars will provide local historical and social context for the discussions, and community members will enrich the conversations with their personal accounts and stories related to the Great Migration.

In association with the
UNI 2012-13 *Reaching for Higher Ground Project*
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Calendar of Events (August 2012 – January 2013)

- **Wednesday, August 22, 7:00 p.m.**
Presentation by Isabel Wilkerson
Gallagher Bluedorn Performing Arts Center
- **Tuesday, August 28, 6:30 p.m.**
Community-wide Book Discussion Kickoff
Grout Museum of History and Science
Historian Dr. Bob Neymeyer and social ethicist Dr. Michael D. Blackwell will set the stage for discussion of blacks' migration to Waterloo in 1911 and the subsequent development of a thriving community around the train tracks. Individuals will be present who have personal stories to share regarding the period from 1915 to 1970; they will help to fuel discussion of coping mechanisms, transcendence over adversity, and the development of a vibrant culture and its nuances.
- **Saturday, September 1, 7:00 p.m.**
Theatrical interpretation of *The Warmth of Other Suns*
by the UNI Theater Department
Bertha Martin Theater
No tickets necessary, seating on a first come, first served basis.
- **September 16 through October 18**
Book Discussion Sessions #1-3
Various locations and times (See listed options.)
- **Tuesday, October 30, 6:30 p.m.**
Community-wide Gathering
Grout Museum of History and Science
Drs. Neymeyer and Blackwell provide further historical and social context for ongoing book discussions.
- **November 11 through January 17**
Book Discussion Sessions #4-6
Various locations and times (See listed options.)
- **Tuesday, January 29, 6:30 p.m.**
Concluding Community-Wide Gathering
Grout Museum of History and Science
Drs. Neymeyer and Blackwell lead a concluding session, to include a multimedia extravaganza.

~ All events free and open to the public. ~

Discussion Session Schedule

(Choose the day and time most convenient for your schedule)

Sunday, 3:00-4:30 p.m., YWCA of Black Hawk County

- Session #1 September 16
- Session #2 September 30
- Session #3 October 14
- Session #4 November 11
- Session #5 December 2
- Session #6 January 13

Monday, 6:30-8:00 p.m., Cedar Falls Mennonite Church

- Session #1 September 17
- Session #2 October 1
- Session #3 October 15
- Session #4 November 12
- Session #5 November 26
- Session #6 January 14

Tuesday, 12:00 noon – 1:30 p.m., University Book & Supply

- Session #1 September 18
- Session #2 October 2
- Session #3 October 16
- Session #4 November 13
- Session #5 November 27
- Session #6 January 15

Wednesday, 12:00 noon – 1:30 p.m., Elm Room, Maucker Union

- Session #1 September 19
- Session #2 October 3
- Session #3 October 17
- Session #4 November 14
- Session #5 November 28
- Session #6 January 16

Wednesday, 6:30-8:00 p.m., UNI Center for Urban Education

- Session #1 September 19
- Session #2 October 3
- Session #3 October 17
- Session #4 November 14
- Session #5 November 28
- Session #6 January 16

Thursday, 6:30-8:00 p.m., YWCA of Black Hawk County

- Session #1 September 20
- Session #2 October 4
- Session #3 October 18
- Session #4 November 15
- Session #5 November 29
- Session #6 January 17