



THE ATHENS BRANCH OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR THE STUDY OF AFRICAN AMERICAN LIFE AND HISTORY PROUDLY PRESENTS **THE FREEDOM FILM SERIES** FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2026! ALL SHOWINGS ARE FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC! ALL WELCOME!

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1: **ORIGIN** *Rescheduled*

Origin is a 2023 American biographical drama film written and directed by Ava DuVernay. It is based on the life of Isabel Wilkerson, played by Aunjanue Ellis-Taylor, as she writes the book *Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents*. Over the course of the film, Wilkerson travels throughout Germany, India, and the United States to research the caste systems in each country's history. AT **EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH WEST**, 205 NORTH CHASE STREET, ATHENS, GA, **3:00 PM**

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8: **ETHNIC NOTIONS**

Ethnic Notions is a 1987 video essay documentary film directed by Marlon Riggs. It examines anti-Black stereotypes that permeated popular culture from the ante-bellum period until the advent of the Civil Rights Movement of the 1960s. AT **GREATER BETHEL A.M.E. CHURCH**, 140 ROSE STREET, ATHENS, GA, **3:00 PM**

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15: **JUST MERCY**

Just Mercy is a 2019 American biographical legal drama film co-written and directed by Destin Daniel Cretton and starring Michael B. Jordan. It explores the work of young defense attorney Bryan Stevenson who represents poor people on death row in the South. Featured is his work with Walter McMillian, who had been wrongfully convicted of the murder of a young woman. The film is based on Stevenson's 2014 eponymous memoir. AT **UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP OF ATHENS**, 780 TIMOTHY ROAD, ATHENS, GA, **3:00 PM**

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22: **THE SOUL OF ATHENS: A HISTORY OF THE MORTON THEATRE**

"The Soul of Athens: A History of the Morton Theatre" is a 2013 documentary produced by Plumgood Productions that explores the rich history, cultural significance, and community impact of the historic Morton Theatre in Athens, Georgia, a unique African-American-owned vaudeville house built in 1910 by Monroe "Pink" Morton. AT **FIRST A.M.E. CHURCH**, 521 N. HULL STREET, ATHENS GA, 3:00 PM.

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