

# Book talk Built from the Fire

Presented by author  
Victor Luckerson

Saturday, April 6  
11:00am – 12:30pm

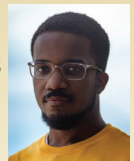
Kate Gleason Auditorium, 1st floor,  
Bausch & Lomb Public Library Building  
115 South Ave., Rochester, NY

Join author Victor Luckerson as he recounts the epic history of Tulsa's Greenwood District, often referred to as America's Black Wall Street.

On May 31, 1921, a white mob murdered as many as 300 people and destroyed 35 blocks of a Black neighborhood in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Residents rebuilt, but by the 1970s, urban renewal had nearly emptied the neighborhood again. Today, new high-rises and encroaching gentrification risk wiping out Greenwood's legacy for good.

Though the details differ, there are many similarities between the histories of Greenwood and Rochester's own Clarissa Street.

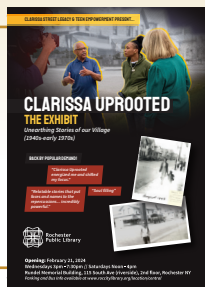
Victor Luckerson is a journalist and author based in Tulsa who works to bring the neglected Black history to light. He is a former staff writer at *The Ringer* and business reporter for *Time* magazine. For more information, visit [vicluckerson.com](http://vicluckerson.com).



Registration is requested but not required. For more information, visit <https://calendar.libraryweb.org/calendar/Central/VictorLuckerson>

The free event will be livestreamed at <https://www.youtube.com/@RochesterPublicLibraryNY/streams>.

Following Mr. Luckerson's talk, please visit the *Clarissa Uprooted* exhibit on the 2nd floor of the Rundel Memorial Building.



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