Civil Rights in New York: From School Boycotts to ‘Beyond Vietnam’
Online Workshop – January 12, 2021

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*Activist New York*, an ongoing MCNY exhibition, traces 400 years of social activism in New York City. This online exhibition includes case studies focusing on the Black freedom struggle from abolition to #BlackLivesMatter. Access the full exhibition at activistnewyork.mcny.org

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This case study in *Activist New York* examines how civil rights activists mobilized to fight racist policies and practices in New York City, from housing discrimination to school segregation to police brutality.

Learn about activists, examine photographs and artifacts, and find lesson plans at activistnewyork.mcny.org/exhibition/political-and-civil-rights/civil-rights

This case study from *Activist New York* traces the ongoing Movement for Black lives and looks at the intersectional approach activists have taken to address systemic racism, gender discrimination, health hazards, anti-immigrant sentiment, and economic inequality.

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Online Primary and Secondary Sources

Martin Luther King, Jr.’s speech “Beyond Vietnam,” delivered on April 4, 1967 at Riverside Church, can be found at kinginstitute.stanford.edu/king-papers/documents/beyond-vietnam

“Malcolm X Speaks in Solidarity with the School Boycotts in NYC,” WSB-TV Newsfilm Collection, March 16, 1964. Access at youtube.com/watch?v=nvQ7X0gb30Q&ab_channel=BlakaveliX

Brooklyn Connections, “Civil Rights Movement,” created by the Brooklyn Public Library, May 27, 2015. Access at youtube.com/watch?v=MdU1g2YzREk&ab_channel=brooklynology


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