Recent Fiction by Black Authors

**The World Doesn't Require You**
by Rion Amilcar Scott
This collection of short stories, set in fictional Cross River, Maryland, includes the tales of a struggling musician who is God's last son and a Ph.D. candidate whose dissertation about a childhood game sparks a riot in a once-segregated town.

**Over the Fence**
by Mary Monroe
Depression-era Southern bootleggers Milton and Yvonne Hamilton discover their neighbors are involved in dubious businesses themselves and threaten to blackmail them in order to hide their own dirty secrets. By the author of One House Over.

**An Orchestra of Minorities**
by Chigozie Obioma
In a contemporary twist of Homer's The Odyssey, a guardian spirit recounts the tragic story of a Nigerian poultry farmer who sacrifices everything for the wealthy woman he loves. By the award-winning author of The Fishermen.

**The Dragonfly Sea**
by Yvonne Adhiambo Owuor
A young woman growing up in an isolated island off the coast of Kenya discovers friends, enemies and her true self on a dramatic journey to the Far East. By the award-winning author of Dust.

**Travelers**
by Helon Habila
Reluctantly leaving America when his wife is given a prestigious fellowship, a Nigerian grad student struggles with the suffering of the African refugees and immigrants he encounters in his new home.

**American Spy**
by Lauren Wilkinson
Marie Mitchell, a Cold War FBI intelligence officer, joins an undercover task force to undermine Thomas Sankara, the revolutionary Communist president of Burkina Faso, who she secretly admires and comes to love, in a novel inspired by true events.

**In West Mills**
by De'Shawn Charles Winslow
A woman in mid-20th-century rural North Carolina, determined to live on her own terms in spite of community gossip, finds unexpected support from a veteran fixer who struggles with an inability to correct his own troubled past.

**The Nickel Boys**
by Colson Whitehead
A follow-up to the Pulitzer Prize- and National Book Award-winning, The Underground Railroad, follows the harrowing experiences of two African-American teens at an abusive reform school in Jim Crow-era Florida.

**Murder with Collard Greens and Hot Sauce**
by A. L. Herbert
After pop culture icon Monique Dupree is shot to death during a hair convention, Halia Watkins, who own a soul food restaurant, and her cousin Wavonne decide to investigate and discover that bitter feuds and rivalries exist in Monique’s vanity empire.

**Black Leopard, Red Wolf**
by Marlon James
Hired to find a mysterious boy who disappeared three years before, Tracker joins a search party that follows the boy's trail through ancient cities and into dense forests, and encounter creatures intent on destroying them.