



Black History, and:

This month, we’re thinking about the full breadth of Black identity, community, and history across space and time. It’s always the right time to learn about Black thinkers, carers, builders, and revolutionaries, but we are appreciative of the abundance of names and stories during Black History Month. We’ve also been thinking – and [talking](#) – about the parts of [our platform](#) that would be most transformative for Black communities.

How we show up



At LibGen we are constantly asking our partners and comrades questions that help us gain a better understanding of the impact and value of our work. Over the last month LibGen has been engaged in a really meaningful partnership series with [Young Latino Network](#) (YLN), and received the following message from one of their co-Executive Directors after our most recent session: “I was like smiling here ear to ear, and a little teary-eyed... I'm really proud, and I'm so glad the universe brought us all together, because you guys have been amazing for us at this time, and it can't have been better.”



RIP Season 3
[Season 3 of Racism Is Profitable is here!](#) Our first featured guest is our new Director of Communications, Devin Barrington-Ward. It’s a fun and fiery conversation with Jeremie and Solana about the [recent finding](#) that the IRS disproportionately audits Black taxpayers, and why Black communities struggle to trust the government.



No (more) half-measures
Solana was featured in two forums this month and spoke out in both against the impulse to shrink ourselves and our demands. In an [interview with Common Future](#), she advised those who want to join the fight for better policies, “Don't water down what you think you can ask because of this political moment.” In a [video conversation with Robert Reich](#), she noted that people of color want to talk about the role of racism in our lives.



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