

Reading List 1 by PM Press

In the run up to our special preview screening of Bring Down The Walls (Phil Collins / Shady Lane Productions), we have asked some of our favourite presses and people to share reading lists on mass incarceration, resistance and prison abolition. First up is a list from PM Press!

'Resistance Behind Bars: The Struggles Of Incarcerated Women by Victoria Law'

'Resistance...' examines daily struggles against appalling prison conditions and injustices while documenting both collective organizing and individual resistance among women incarcerated in the U.S.

'The Prison-Industrial Complex and the Global Economy' by Linda Evans and Eve Goldberg

Follow the money and find how the prison-industrial complex fits into the New World Order of free trade and imprisoned people, the war on drugs, and capital flight.

'The Real Cost of Prisons Comix' edited by Lois Ahrens

One out of every hundred adults in the U.S. is in prison. This book provides a crash course in what drives mass incarceration, the human and community costs, and how to stop the numbers from going even higher.

'Lucasville: The Untold Story of a Prison Uprising' by Staughton Lynd

A powerful story of one of the longest prison uprisings in U.S. history, with a foreword by Mumia Abu-Jamal.

'The Struggle Within: Prisons, Political Prisoners, and Mass Movements in the United States' by Dan Berger

'The Struggle Within...' is an accessible yet wide-ranging historical primer about how mass imprisonment has been a tool of repression deployed against diverse left-wing social movements over the last fifty years.

'Let Freedom Ring: A Collection of Documents from the Movements to Free U.S. Political Prisoners' edited by Matt Meyer

Collecting dozens of documents from the past three decades of struggle to free US political prisoners, this resource book is designed for action. Contributors in and out of prison detail the repressive methods—from long-term isolation to sensory deprivation to politically inspired parole denial—used to attack these freedom fighters, some still caged after 30+ years. This invaluable resource guide offers inspiring stories of the creative, and sometimes winning, strategies to bring them home.

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