



# Meet Author Brandy Colbert

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As Part of University of Arizona's Celebration of Black History Month

Brandy Colbert is an acclaimed author of youth literature, including the award-winning *Black Birds in the Sky: The Story and Legacy of the 1921 Tulsa Race Massacre*. She is also the author of *The Only Black Girls in Town* and *The Blackwoods*. She is on faculty at Hamline University's MFA program in writing for children and lives in Los Angeles.

EVENTS TAKE PLACE ON  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2024  
at Worlds of Words Center,  
UArizona College of Education, Rm 453

**1-2 p.m. My Journey as an Author.** Brandy talks about her journey of writing young adult and middle grade books that highlight the lives of Black characters, sharing the inspirations behind her books and providing insights into her writing process and the challenges she has faced.

**4-5 p.m. Black History and the Tulsa Race Massacre: A YA Author's Perspective.** Many moments in Black American history have been sanitized or intentionally buried. Brandy talks about why and how she came to write *Black Birds in the Sky* and raises issues related to telling stories embedded in Black history and challenges to these books.

**5-5:30 p.m. Reception with Brandy Colbert.**

For more information, please visit [wowlit.org/events](http://wowlit.org/events).



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