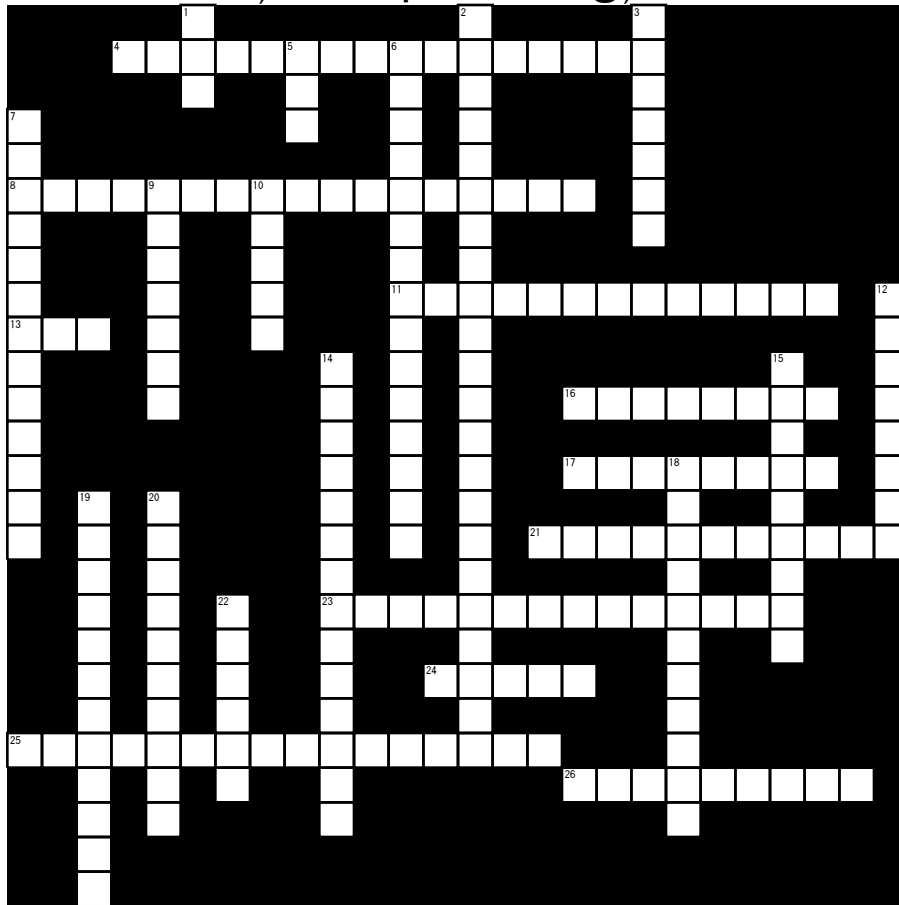


MC Black History Month Crossword Puzzle #6

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Puzzle Theme: Movies 1 to 25 of The Top 50 Black Movies.
Sources Blackvoices.com, Wikipedia.org, and Imdb.com



Across

- 4 This comedy directed by and starring Robert Townsend depicts the stereotyping of African Americans in both film and television.
- 8 Semi-fictional film loosely based on an autobiography about a jazz singer.
- 11 Based on a true story of a team of students and their coach at Wiley College in Texas.
- 13 A biographical film focusing on the life of a legendary R&B musician who grew up in Greenville, FL.
- 16 The film centers on the trials of an extended African-American family, held together by longstanding family traditions which begin to fade as serious problems take center stage.
- 17 Film telling the life story of El-Hajj Malik El-Shabazz.
- 21 Directed by Steven Spielberg and based on the Pulitzer Prize winning novel of the same name, shows the problems faced by African-American women during the early 1900s.
- 23 This movie based on the original 1959 play debuted in February 2008 as a television movie which aired on ABC.
- 24 1971 American blaxploitation film about a Black private detective.
- 25 Frank Lucas from Harlem smuggled heroin into the U.S. via American service plans.
- 26 This 1997 romantic comedy-drama follows the relationship of a young African-American couple, a poet and a photographer, in Chicago.

Down

- 1 Will Smith stars in a role telling the story of Cassius Clay.
- 2 Biopic films focuses on the life story of an African-American singer and entertainer, and her abusive relationship with her husband.
- 3 Romantic comedy about an up-and-coming author, who dedicated his first book to his best friend and his fianc e, which he had a romantic relationship with.
- 5 An urbanized, musical film retelling the story written by Lyman Frank Baum with an entirely African-American cast.
- 6 1989 film highlights the bigotry and racial conflict in a multi-ethnic community in the Bedford-Stuyvesant neighborhood of Brooklyn, NY.
- 7 A story about racism and segregation in a Black army regiment with White officers in the Jim Crow South.
- 9 Adapted from the 1970 Newbery Medal-winning novel by William H. Armstrong about an African-American boy living with his sharecropper family in Depression-era Louisiana.
- 10 Dramatic war film on the 54th Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry during the Civil War.
- 12 Loosely based on the story of Joe Clark, principal of Eastside High School in Paterson, NJ, which is at risk of being overtaken by the state government due to poor student test scores.
- 14 Musical drama film based on the three decade career of a fictional band.
- 15 The late Eartha Kitt played a seductive owner of a perfume company, Lady Eloise; starred Eddie Murphy.
- 18 A musical film adapted from the Broadway musical of the same name retelling one of Georges Bizet' s operas.
- 19 In this film Director John Singleton portrays the life of three young Black youths in South Central, Los Angeles.
- 20 Explores the adventures and relationship of two Black high school students from Chicago whose carefree lives take a turn for the worse through several twists of fate.
- 22 This comedy follows two friends, Craig and Smokey, who must pay a \$200 debt by 10:00pm.