

# [PDF] Sister Citizen: Shame, Stereotypes, And Black Women In America

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**Description:**

**Review** "Astonishing...*Sister Citizen* is written for the benefit of all Americans—sister citizens, brother citizens, and anyone else who cares about the way this country works."—Tayari Jones, *San Francisco Chronicle*  
(Tayari Jones *San Francisco Chronicle*)

"This is the beauty of the book....The insight and grace with which Harris-Perry tackles the thorny issue of African American women's identity politics makes it a must-read."— Jordan Kisner, *Slate*  
(Jordan Kisner *Slate*)

"Harris-Perry offers fascinating observations of how black women are, at times, constricted by their mythology and asserts that their 'experiences act as a democratic litmus test for the nation.'"—Vanessa Bush, *Booklist*  
(Vanessa Bush *Booklist*)

"*Sister Citizen* carefully documents the complex challenges and hurdles Black women face in the 21st century. Harris-Perry's book is both insightful and provocative. A must read for those interested in learning more about American politics."—Donna Brazile, Political Commentator for CNN and ABC News and former Interim Chair of the Democratic National Committee

(Donna Brazile 2011-05-12)

"Melissa Harris-Perry is one of our most trenchant readers of modern black life. In *Sister Citizen*, she gives new life to the idea that 'the personal is political.' This book will change the conversation about the rights, responsibilities, and burdens of citizenship."—Henry Louis Gates, Jr., Alphonse Fletcher University Professor, Harvard University

(Henry Louis Gates, Jr. 2011-03-14)

"This is a broad, ambitious and important book that centers black women at the heart of American politics. Harris-Perry broadens our ideas of what counts as political, disrupts our ideas about what the study of American politics should look like, and restores our belief that resistance and struggle can change lives, communities and nations."—Cathy J. Cohen, author of *Boundaries of Blackness* and *Democracy Remixed*

(Cathy J. Cohen 2011-03-17)

"*Sister Citizen* lends empirical heft to the adage the "personal is political". Melissa Harris-Perry does an excellent job of weaving literature, social science, and personal accounts to produce a powerful work on black women's politics. Brilliant."—Lester K. Spence, author of *Stare in the Darkness: The Limits of Hip-hop and Black Politics*  
(Lester K. Spence 2011-05-26)

"After I read *Sister Citizen*, two words sprang to my mind: Thank you."—Patrik Henry Bass, *Essence*  
(Patrik Henry Bass *Essence*)

"In *Sister Citizen*, Harris-Perry combines her skills as a social scientist, political observer, writer and griot to deftly illustrate how the social, economic, and political conditions of black women, particularly those on the margins, are the index for America at large."—Byron Williams, *Oakland Tribune*  
(Byron Williams *Oakland Tribune*)

"A feminist manifesto endeavoring to free sisters forever from the cruel and very limiting ways in which they continue to be pigeonholed."—Kam Williams, *Insight*  
(Kam Williams *Insight*)

Finalist for the 43rd NAACP Image Awards in the Non-Fiction Literature Category  
(NAACP Image Awards Finalist *National Association for the Advancement of Colored People*  
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**Book Description** This groundbreaking book brings to light derogatory stereotypes that shape the experiences of African American women, then assesses the emotional and political costs of the struggle to counteract such negative assumptions.

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