

RUN: Book One -- A Conversation with Andrew Avdin

Bestselling and award-winning co-author, with the late congressman John Lewis, of the March graphic novel trilogy.

Saeed Jones

Author of the memoir How We Fight for Our Lives and the poetry collection Prelude to Bruise.

Tuesday, September 14, 2021, 7:00 PM Central www.bit.ly/AydinFANWebinar

AND: "RUN" book giveaway! Details on registration page.

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Tuesday, September 14, 2021, 7:00-8:00 PM, <u>Run: Book One – A Conversation with Andrew Aydin</u>, a FAN webinar featuring Andrew Aydin, in conversation with Saeed Jones.

BONUS BOOK GIVEAWAY! FAN is giving away copies of Run: Book One to guests randomly selected from the Zoom attendance report. All details on the webinar registration page.

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To the late civil rights icon John Lewis, the civil rights movement came to an end with the signing of the Voting Rights Act in 1965. But that was after more than five years as one of the preeminent figures of the movement, leading sit-in protests and fighting segregation on interstate busways as an original Freedom Rider. It was after becoming chairman of SNCC (the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee) and being the youngest speaker at the March on Washington. It was after helping organize the Mississippi Freedom Summer and the ensuing delegate challenge at the 1964 Democratic National Convention. And after co-leading the march from Selma to Montgomery on what became known as "Bloody Sunday."

All too often, the depiction of history ends with a great victory. But Congressman Lewis knew that victories are just the beginning. In *RUN: Book One*, the highly anticipated sequel to the National Book Award-winning *MARCH* trilogy, Rep. Lewis and longtime collaborator **Andrew Aydin** continue where the *March* trilogy left off to tell this often overlooked chapter of civil rights history. This groundbreaking graphic novel is illustrated by Nate Powell—the award-winning illustrator of the *March* trilogy—and debut comic artist L. Fury.

Prior to his passing, Congressman Lewis noted, "In sharing my story, it is my hope that a new generation will be inspired by *Run* to actively participate in the democratic process and help build a more perfect union here in America."

Mr. Aydin, the former digital director and policy advisor in Congressman Lewis' office, will be in conversation with **Saeed Jones**, author of the memoir *How We Fight for Our Lives*, winner of the 2019 Kirkus Prize for Nonfiction, the 2020 Stonewall Book Award/Israel Fishman Non-fiction Award, a 2020 Publishing Triangle Award, and a 2020 Lambda Literary Award. Mr. Jones is also the author of the poetry collection *Prelude to Bruise*, winner of the 2015 PEN/Joyce Osterweil Award for Poetry and the 2015 Stonewall Book Award/Barbara Gittings Literature Award. The poetry collection was a finalist for the 2015 National Book Critics Circle Award.

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