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Black US Olympians Reign Supreme

The 2024 Paris Olympics have been a showcase of incredible athletic talent from around the world, and Black US Olympians have been leading the charge. From record-breaking performances to historic wins, these athletes have proven to be among the best of the best.

The US track and field team has been dominated by Black athletes, with standouts like:

- **Noah Lyles**, who won gold in the Men's 100m with an outstanding time of 9.784 seconds.
- **Sha'Carri Richardson** along with **Melissa Jefferson**, **Gabrielle Thomas** and **Twanisha Terry**, all won gold in the Women's

4x100m Relay with a time of 41.78 seconds.

- **Grant Holloway** won gold in the Men's 110m hurdles with a whopping time of 12.99 seconds.

On the gymnastics floor, we seen jaw dropping performances and historic firsts from:

- **Simone Biles**, who took home three gold medals for Women's Artistic Individual All-Around, Women's Artistic Team All-Around and Women's Vault.
- **Rebeca Andrade**, **Jordan Chiles** and **Simone Biles**, made history as they made up the first all-Black gymnastics podium in Olympic history.



Sickle Cell Awareness Month



September marks **National Sickle Cell Awareness Month**, a time to come together to raise awareness about sickle cell disease (SCD) and dispel the myths and stigma often associated with it. SCD is a group of inherited red blood cell disorders that affects millions of people worldwide. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), approximately 100,000 people in the United States lives with SCD, with over 90% being non-Hispanic Black or African American, and an estimated 3%–9% being Hispanic or Latino.



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Power Profiler

Born March 14, 1997, **Simone Arianne Biles** has boundless energy, natural strength and fierce determination, taking those God-given talents to become the greatest gymnast of all time. The 4-foot, 8-inch dynamo is the most decorated American gymnast in history, with **25 medals** (19 of them gold) from the **World Championship** and **seven medals** (four gold) from the **Olympics**. She is also the first American woman to win seven national all-around titles and first female gymnast to earn three consecutive **World All-Around** titles. She is a three-time recipient of the **Laureus World Sports Award for Sportswoman of the Year** and has received widespread

recognition, including **TIME 100 Most Influential**, **Forbes 30 Under 30**, **Ebony Power 100**, **People Women Changing the World**, **USA Today 100 Women of the Century**, and two-time **Associated Press Female Athlete of the Year**, among others.

Known for her infectious smile and engaging personality, Simone utilizes her platform to advocate for change and supports initiatives associated with adoption and child care. Besides gymnastics, her passions include reading, history, shopping and spending time with friends.



Simone Biles

Simone trains close to 35 hours a week at the World Champions Centre (WCC), a gym founded and owned by her parents Ron and Nellie in Spring, Texas, where she grew up with her sister Adria and brothers, Ron II and Adam.

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This section is designed to keep you in the know and on the go. Check out some of the latest happenings in Black communities throughout the country this month.

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