

## Resources to complement *Dreamland*

### Information about Drugs and Policy

- 1980 Letter on Opioid Addiction (discussed in *Dreamland*) retracted by New England Journal of Medicine: <http://retractionwatch.com/2017/06/02/nejm-issues-unusual-warning-readers-1980-letter-opioid-addiction/>

### Race, Addiction & the War on Drugs

- *There was no wave of compassion when addicts were hooked on crack*, PBS Newshour, March 29, 2016, video essay (4 minutes) by Ekow Yankah, a Cardozo School of Law Professor <http://www.pbs.org/newshour/bb/there-was-no-wave-of-compassion-when-addicts-were-hooked-on-crack/>
- Yankah's op-ed piece from the *New York Times* that the above PBS clip is based on: *When Addiction Has a White Face*: [https://www.nytimes.com/2016/02/09/opinion/when-addiction-has-a-white-face.html?\\_r=0](https://www.nytimes.com/2016/02/09/opinion/when-addiction-has-a-white-face.html?_r=0)
- Article from *The Root* on the heroin crisis (including links to a *NYT* piece that it is responding to): Kirsten West Savali's 'Gentler War on Drugs' for White is a 'Smack' in Black America's Face: <http://www.theroot.com/gentler-war-on-drugs-for-whites-is-a-smack-in-black-1790861665>
- Short narrative / commentary from *Scalawag*, which focuses on Southern writing. Steve (a 67 year-old, Black man) reflects on his own experience with addiction, recovery and work in needle exchange programs. He reflects on issues of race and public response to drug crises. Jonathan Michels. (2017). "If you've never shot drugs, you ain't got a clue: Steve's Story" <http://www.scalawagmagazine.org/articles/if-youve-never-shot-drugs-you-aint-got-a-clue-steves-story>
- "What the 'Crack Baby' Panic Reveals About The Opioid Epidemic" Journalism in two different eras of drug waves illustrates how strongly race factors into empathy and policy. From *The Atlantic*, July 16, 2017. <https://www.theatlantic.com/politics/archive/2017/07/what-the-crack-baby-panic-reveals-about-the-opioid-epidemic/533763/>

**Immigration:** In response to Quinones' light treatment of immigration & Mexico, specific articles about immigration to provide a broader, more nuanced understanding:

- Postville, Iowa, is Up for Grabs <http://www.nytimes.com/2012/07/15/magazine/postville-iowa-is-up-for-grabs.html?ref=magazine&pagewanted=all>
- "Homelands: An Orphan Named Patience and an Argument for Open Global Immigration" <http://reprints.longform.org/homelands-deca>

### Addiction and Health/ Treatment

- Natalie Jacewicz's "As Opioid Epidemic Surges, Medical Schools Try To Keep Pace" (via *NPR*): <http://www.npr.org/sections/health-shots/2016/07/27/487394411/as-opioid-epidemic-surges-medical-schools-must-change-to-keep-pace>
- "THE DOUBLE-EDGED DRUG: The first of two articles examining the increasing use — and the successes and failures — of buprenorphine as an addiction treatment. Read the [second part](#)."
- This piece highlights the problems with addiction treatment. Similar to Quinones in scope without the same sense of causality. <http://www.nytimes.com/2013/11/17/health/in-demand-in-clinics-and-on-the-street-bupe-can-be-savior-or-menace.html>
- A long and older piece on buprenorphine from the *New York Times*: Deborah Sontag's "Addiction Treatment with a Dark Side: <http://www.nytimes.com/2013/11/17/health/in-demand-in-clinics-and-on-the-street-bupe-can-be-savior-or-menace.html>

- A new piece from the *New Yorker* on the opiate epidemic in West Virginia: <http://www.newyorker.com/magazine/2017/06/05/the-addicts-next-door>
- Recent article about 2016 being a record-breaking year for overdoses: [https://www.vox.com/policy-and-politics/2017/6/6/15743986/opioid-epidemic-overdose-deaths-2016?platform=hootsuite&ct=t\(UReport\\_June12\\_2017\)](https://www.vox.com/policy-and-politics/2017/6/6/15743986/opioid-epidemic-overdose-deaths-2016?platform=hootsuite&ct=t(UReport_June12_2017))
- Ithaca, NY's approach to addiction treatment has garnered a lot of press; the city is adding a detox facility soon and is pushing for [the nation's first supervised injection site](#). Ithaca's mayor, Svante Myrick, is the son of a man who battled a cocaine addiction. He talks openly about his experiences in a family encountering addiction in an [NPR interview](#).
- Discussion of [syringe services/needle exchange](#) that happened in the VA General Assembly this year.
- NBC12's coverage of opioid addiction in the Central VA region: <http://www.nbc12.com/category/322413/hooked-on-heroin-virginias-opioid-addiction-crisis>
- Samantha Sander's article on opioid use in libraries: "Why Are Opioid Users Overdosing in Libraries, and How Should Librarians Respond?" <https://catapult.co/stories/at-work-opioid-overdoses-at-the-library-when-librarians-are-first-responders>

### **Pain Management and Treatment**

- A recent article from Style Weekly (June 27, 2017), "Relief or Abuse: The Opioid Crackdown Condemns Some Richmonders to Chronic Pain." Includes some personal narrative and current considerations as doctors prescribe pain meds more sparingly.
- <https://www.styleweekly.com/richmond/relief-or-abuse-the-opioid-crackdown-condemns-some-richmonders-to-chronic-pain/Content?oid=3763050>

### **More on/from Sam Quinones**

- Quinones' [bibliography](#) for the book
- Some of Quinones' [images of the wall](#) currently separating San Diego and Tijuana (which fleshes out some of the border politics of *Dreamland*)
- Quinones [article](#) for *the Atlantic*, about overprescription
- Quinones' work with the [Tell Your True Tale Project archive](#), a storytelling project in L.A.
- Quinones's [blog](#), which continues to update his work in *Dreamland*.

### **Government websites:**

- [NIDA](#) (National Institute on Drug Abuse) website
- [ONDCP](#) (Office of National Drug Control Policy, run by the White House) website
- [DEA](#) (Drug Enforcement Administration)

### **Documentary/Film resources**

- *The World's Most Wanted - Secrets of Mexico's Drug War* (on Kanopy)
- *Money Talks: Profits over Patient Safety* (on Kanopy)
- *Anonymous People* (on Vimeo)
- *Memo to Self* (on Vimeo)
- *Situational Tolerance* (on YouTube)
- *Chasing Heroin* (PBS Frontline)
- *Chasing the Dragon* (on YouTube)

