Across
3 Late rapper Tupac Shakur's acting debut
5 Ice Cube and Chris Tucker face obstacles after becoming indebted to a local drug dealer
8 A liquor store murder leads to more violence in this gritty portrayal of urban life (3 words)
9 Three generations of Gullah women are depicted in this film written, directed, and produced by Julie Dash (4 words)
11 A young girl witnesses a troubling event that has dire consequences for her family in this Southern gothic drama (2 words)
12 Maya Angelou supplied the poems featured in this film (2 words)
13 "We dare you to say his name five times."
14 Denzel Washington stars as the civil rights leader (2 words)
15 Spike Lee's semi-autobiographical portrayal of Brooklyn in the 1970s

Down
1 When Whoopi Goldberg enters witness protection, "nuns" the word (2 words)
2 John Singleton's ensemble drama set at the fictional Columbus University (2 words)
4 Will Smith and Martin Lawrence play buddy cops in this Michael Bay directorial debut (2 words)
6 Childhood sweethearts search for glory on the court (3 words)
7 Wesley Snipes plays a vampire hunter in Marvel's first superhero hit
10 Kid n' Play, Full Force, and Robin Harris team up in this comedy celebrating hip hop culture (2 words)