EMMETT TILL INTERPRETIVE CENTER

RACIAL RECONCILIATION BEGINS BY TELLING THE TRUTH



The first philanthropic undertaking of the ETIC/NPS partnership is the installation of the "Emmett Till & Mamie Till-Mobley: Let the World See" exhibit at the new Till National Monument Visitor Center in Sumner. Photo credit Emmett Till Interpretive Center.

Emmett Till Interpretive Center Named an Official Partner of the Newly Created Emmett Till and Mamie Till-Mobley National Monument

MISSISSIPPI – The National Park Service (NPS) today announced it has entered into a partnership, designating the Emmett Till Interpretive Center (ETIC) as an official philanthropic and educational partner of the Emmett Till and Mamie Till-Mobley National Monument. Established by President Joe Biden in 2023, the monument includes sites dedicated to the legacies of Emmett Till and Mamie Till-Mobley, including the Tallahatchie County Courthouse and Graball Landing in Mississippi, and Roberts Temple Church of God in Christ in Illinois.

"We are honored to partner with the National Park Service. As official interpreters for the National Monument, we are committed to the complete and accurate telling of Emmett Till and Mamie Till-Mobley's history, and to ensuring the public understands that the racism and anti-Black violence that caused Emmett Till's death still exists today. The creation of this National Monument was made possible by decades of local activism, and ETIC will continue to center local voices and community organizations in this next phase of an ongoing effort to bring attention, resources, and visitors to these major historical sites here in Mississippi," said Patrick Weems, Executive Director of the Emmett Till Interpretive Center.

"For nearly two decades, ETIC has collaborated with countless organizations to preserve the legacies of Emmett Till and Mamie Till-Mobley, while facilitating racial healing, reconciliation, and community uplift across the Mississippi Delta and beyond," said William Cheek, Acting Superintendent, Emmett Till and Mamie Till-Mobley National Monument. "Together, we will work to engage diverse communities, produce powerful storytelling and inspire future generations of stewards dedicated to making a positive difference for a greater purpose."

As an official partner, ETIC will provide tours and educational programming and lead philanthropic efforts in support of the park's Mississippi units.

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The Emmett Till Interpretive Center was formed to confront the brutal truth of the 1955 murder of 14-year-old Emmett Till in the Mississippi Delta and to seek justice for the Till family and Mississippi

Delta community. The Center aims to tell the story of Emmett Till and his mother, Mamie Till-Mobley, as an act of restorative justice to create the conditions necessary to begin the process of racial healing in Mississippi and across the nation. For more information about the Emmett Till Interpretive Center, visit https://www.emmett-till.org or follow us on Facebook (facebook.com/tillcenter), Twitter, @etic_tillcenter, Instagram @emmetttillinterpretivecenter, and TikTok @etic_tillcenter.

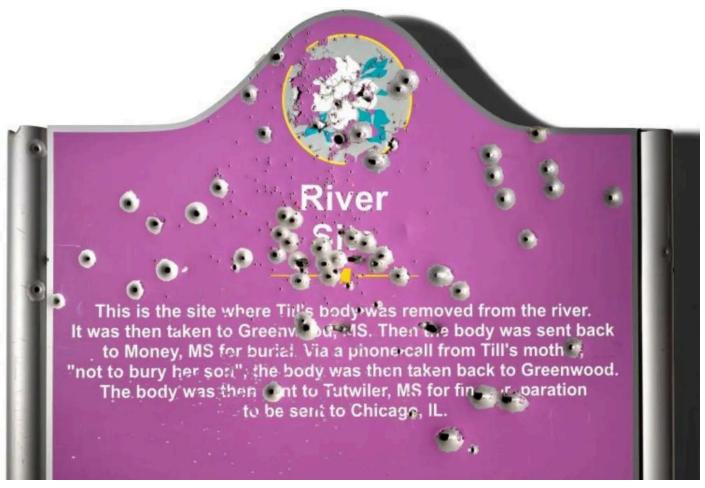
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"In Mississippi, citizens of Tallahatchie County formed the Emmett Till Memorial Commission in 2006 and erected nine historical markers to remember Till. Over the years, the signs have been stolen, riddled with bullets, or thrown in the river but have always been replaced. This temporary display of the defaced River Site historical marker preserves the memory of Till

while demonstrating the contested nature of racism's violent legacy in America." Find Out More»



This temporary display of the defaced River Site historical marker preserves the memory of Till while the 317 bullet punctures serve as a reminder that the racism that caused Till's death still exists today. Smithsonian National Museum of American History

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