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RACIAL RECONCILIATION BEGINS BY TELLING THE TRUTH



**MASS Design Group** Photograph taken from site visit at Graball Landing on the Tallahatchie River, in Glendora, Miss., where Emmett Till's body was found following his lynching by two white men in 1955.

## The Long Road: Reflecting on Progress and the Journey Ahead

The [Emmett Till Interpretive Center](#) received many wins in 2023. In the ongoing fight for justice, equality, and racial healing, each step forward is significant, yet the road is long, and our work is far from over. We've celebrated significant victories that symbolize both triumph and resilience. One

such milestone is the establishment of the [Emmett Till and Mamie Till-Mobley National Monument](#)—a testament to the enduring legacy of the Till family to the Civil Rights Movement. This monument stands as a beacon of remembrance, honoring their memory and the countless others who have sacrificed in the pursuit of justice. In addition, the generous donation from Shonda Rhimes has provided a vital boost to our efforts. Her support serves as a reminder of the power of collaboration and solidarity in advancing social causes. This year, we embarked on our second tour of [Emmett Till and Mamie Till-Mobley: Let the World See](#), we are reminded of the importance of storytelling in preserving history and inspiring action. Through this exhibition, we invite audiences to bear witness to the realities of racial injustice, fostering empathy and understanding across communities.

However, even as we celebrate these achievements, we must acknowledge the challenges that lie ahead. The journey toward racial equity is fraught with obstacles, and there is much work to be done. One such challenge is the ongoing effort to acquire and develop the barn for the Drew community—a crucial endeavor that requires the support of donors and advocates. Furthermore, we recognize the importance of creating monuments that not only commemorate the past but also pave the way for a more inclusive and just future. In the Delta community and beyond, there is a pressing need for symbols of unity and healing—monuments that serve as reminders of our shared humanity and the ongoing struggle for equality.

In this journey toward progress, support from donors is paramount. It is your generosity and commitment that enables us to continue our work. Because of you, we are overcoming obstacles and forging ahead toward a more just and equitable society. With your support, we can realize our vision of a world where every individual is valued and respected. As we reflect on the long road traveled and the distance yet to be covered, let us draw strength from our achievements and remain steadfast in our commitment to change. Together, we will overcome the challenges that lie ahead, celebrating more victories and milestones in the year ahead. With your support, we will continue to march forward, inspired by the courage and resilience of those who have come before us.

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