

## LYNCHING IN AMERICA

Lynching profoundly impacted race relations in this country and shaped the geographic, political, social, and economic conditions of African Americans in ways that are still evident today. It created a fearful environment where racial subordination and segregation was maintained with limited resistance for decades. Most critically, lynching reinforced a legacy of racial inequality that has never been adequately addressed in America. - EJI

## THE EJI PROJECT

EJI is working to broaden and deepen understanding about racial terror in America by placing markers at lynching sites across the country. Like the national lynching memorial, markers that acknowledge the atrocity that happened will change the landscape of the American South, which is saturated with iconography and memorials romanticizing the Confederacy and the effort to preserve slavery.

In partnership with volunteers from local communities and across the country, EJI is collecting soil from lynching sites throughout the South. The jars of soil are part of an exhibit that tells the stories of lynching victims. - EJI

## TRAVIS COUNTY LYNCHING REMEMBRANCE PROJECT CEREMONY

**December 16,  
1- 3pm  
Wesley United Methodist  
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# PROGRAM

## **OPENING REMARKS**

Mayor  
Judge  
State Rep.

## **KEYNOTE**

Roland Hayes

## **HISTORICAL OVERVIEW**

Nelson Linder

## **REMARKS**

Travis Co. Historical Commission

## **PRAYER/OPENING REMARKS**

Rev. Chase

## **CHOIR SELECTION**

Wesley Choir

## **POEM & CHOREOGRAPHY**

Cecilia and Carrie Agboga

## **OVERVIEW OF EJI CONTEST AND WINNERS ANNOUNCED**

EJI Staff

## **FIRST PLACE WINNERS READ ESSAY NATIONAL MEMORIAL**

## **VIDEO AND REFLECTION**

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## **CLOSING REMARKS AND BENEDICTION**

Rev. Chase

## **CHOIR SELECTION**

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