

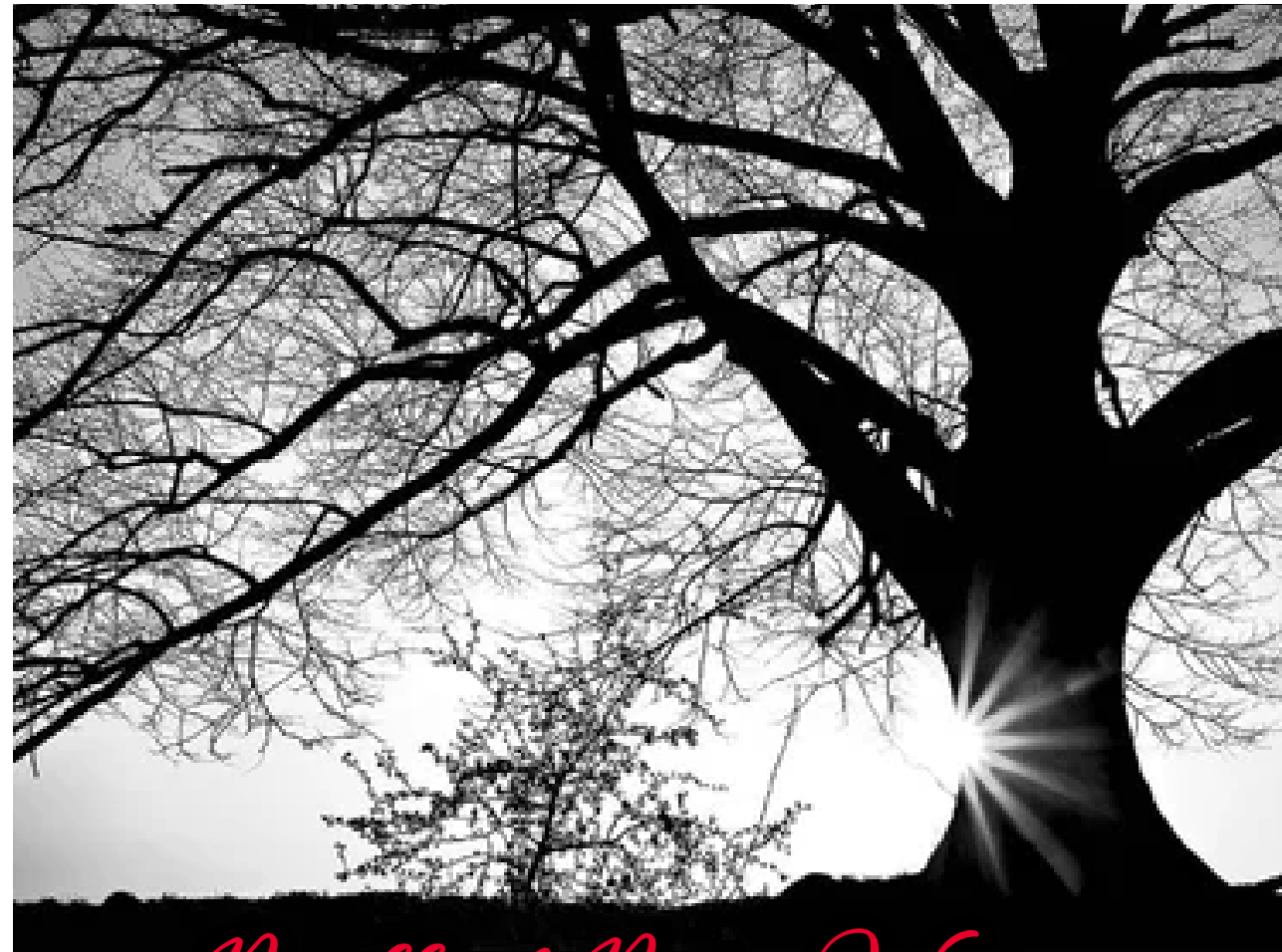
*"You can't  
understand most of  
the important things  
from a distance.  
You have to get  
close."*

— BRYAN STEVENSON,  
JUST MERCY: A  
STORY OF JUSTICE  
AND REDEMPTION

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The lynching of African Americans was terrorism, a widely supported campaign to enforce racial subordination and segregation. Lynching in America documents more than 4400 racial terror lynchings in the United States during the period between Reconstruction and World War II.

Follow the QR Code to read EJI's Report about lynching in America. You can also get lesson plans for teaching the report to students.



## *Bullock Bears Witness*

**Statesboro-Bullock Remembrance Coalition**  
in partnership with

**eji** **Equal Justice  
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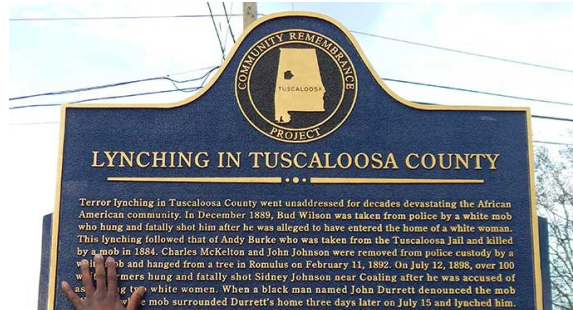
Carol A. Carter Recital Hall – Georgia Southern University  
January 4, 2023 at 6 PM

"In the "lynching era," between 1880 to 1940, white Christians lynched nearly five thousand black men and women in a manner with obvious echoes of the Roman crucifixion of Jesus. Yet these "Christians" did not see the irony or contradiction in their actions."

— James H. Cone, The Cross and the Lynching Tree



Reckoning with a Terrible Legacy  
Soil Collection Project



Remembering Racial Terror Lynchings  
Historical Marker Placement



Cultural Enrichment  
Visiting Museum and Memorial



Reflecting on Today  
Essay Contests



## About

The Statesboro-Bulloch Remembrance Coalition is an initiative dedicated to helping our community understand and begin to heal its legacy of lynching and legal terrorism used to enforce racial subordination. This is necessary to create a welcoming community bound by equity and inclusion. Variegated in our humanity, we believe truth-telling is fundamental to reconciliation and healing. Justice requires this reconciliation for the good order, peace, and dignity of our community and those who live or visit here. We are partners with the Equal Justice Initiative based in Montgomery, Alabama.

## Bulloch Bears Witness

### Statesboro-Bulloch Remembrance Coalition

January 4, 2023, at 6 PM

#### A Video Tribute

A Reflection on our History

#### A Tribute to African American Spirituals

Pastors Frankie & Jean Owens

#### Our Occasion

Mrs. Adrienne McCollar & Dr. Laura Milner

#### Blind Willie McTell's "Statesboro Blues"

Performed by Dr. Dan Larkin & Dr. TJ Hughes

#### Minnie & Willie McTell's Statesboro

Dr. Patrick Novotny

#### Poetry and Verse

Ms. Erin Shen

#### Billie Holiday's "Strange Fruit"

Gazzie White

#### Understanding EJI & Our Partnership

Rev. Dr. Francys Johnson

#### Panel

Moderated by Dr. Lisa Costello with Dr. Enola Mosley, Dr. Chris Caplinger, Dr. Patrick Novotny and Mayor Jonathan McCollar

#### The Next Chapter and Upcoming Community Events

Ms. Ressie Fuller

#### Our Charge

Mrs. Yvette McCall and Dr. Stacy Smallwood

Reception follows in the Carol A. Carter Recital Hall Atrium.

## Upcoming Events

January 13th | 7:30 PM - One Series featuring Gazzie White at The Averitt Center

January 14th | 9 AM - Bulloch NAACP Youth Council & GSU College Chapter Community Breakfast at the GSU Williams Center

January 16th | 2 PM - Bulloch NAACP Parade & Celebration in Downtown Statesboro

January 19th | 6 PM - Behold, Here Cometh the Dreamer at The Averitt Center