Anti-Racism Committee Meeting Summary
May 22, 2023
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Mission: Learn, Educate, Advocate

Presentation by Cathy Solomon:

Cathy and her partner Jay recently took a road trip through the Deep South, visiting some historic civil rights locations in Nashville, Memphis and Montgomery (with a midway stop in New Orleans for the Jazz Fest). She shared information from The Legacy Museum in Montgomery and the profound impact it had on her.

Cathy shared that The Legacy Museum provides a comprehensive history of the United States with a focus on the legacy of slavery. From the Transatlantic Slave Trade and its impact on the North and coastal communities across America through the Domestic Slave Trade and Reconstruction, the museum provides detailed interactive content and profoundly moving stories. Lynching, codified racial segregation, and the emergence of over-incarceration in the 20th century are examined in depth and brought to life through film, images, and first-person narratives.



The museum is situated on a site where enslaved Black people were forced to labor in bondage. In addition, Cathy and Jay visited the National Memorial for Peace and Justice. This site includes a memorial square with 800 six-foot monuments hanging from the ceiling to symbolize thousands of racial terror lynching victims in the United States and the counties and states where this terrorism took place.



The presentation, including slides, was profoundly moving to those in attendance.

<u>Final two meetings for 2022-2023</u>
June 12 & June 26

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