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## Media Alert: Historic Mitchelville Freedom Park Celebrates Freedom Day This Weekend

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**Historic Mitchelville Freedom Park Celebrates Freedom Day 2025:  
"Honoring African American Labor, Leadership, and General Harriet Tubman's Legacy"**

**Hilton Head Island, SC –**

**What:**

Historic Mitchelville Freedom Park invites the public to the 2025 Freedom Day event, an inspiring exploration of African American contributions to labor and the development of Historic Mitchelville as a thriving economy under the leadership of General Harriet Tubman.

The event will feature presentations by acclaimed speakers, including Dr. Edda Fields-Black, author of the forthcoming book *COMBEE: Harriet Tubman, the Combahee River Raid, and Black Freedom during the Civil War* (Oxford University Press, February 2024), and sculptor of *Harriet Tubman – The Journey to Freedom*. The SCAD Bee Sharps will provide musical performances throughout the program.

*"This year, Freedom Day at Historic Mitchelville Freedom Park offers a unique opportunity to learn more about one of Mitchelville's most impactful heroes, the incredible Harriet Tubman. She was a fearless leader whose vision and determination helped shape Historic Mitchelville into a thriving community and economy."*  
— Ahmad Ward, Executive Director, Historic Mitchelville Freedom Park

Through the engaging presentation from Dr. Fields-Black, a leading Harriet Tubman scholar, the powerful artistry on display from sculptor Wesley Wofford, and inspiring music from SCAD's "Bee Sharps," attendees will gain a deeper understanding of how Tubman's leadership and strategic brilliance empowered African Americans to seize their freedom and build a self-sustained future.

**When:**

Saturday, February 1, 2025

11:00 AM – 1:00 PM, *free admission, donations welcomed*

**Where:**

Historic Mitchelville Freedom Park

[40 Harriet Tubman Way](#)

[Hilton Head Island, SC 29926](#)

**Why Attend:**

This event commemorates the remarkable contributions of African Americans in the development of Historic Mitchelville, the first self-governed town of formerly enslaved people in the United States. Learn about Harriet Tubman's pivotal role in empowering and developing a thriving workforce and economy in Historic Mitchelville.

**For More Information:**

Visit [exploremitchelville.org](http://exploremitchelville.org) or call 843-255-7301.

**Press Materials:** Additional press materials and graphics can be found [here](#).

**Media Opportunities:**

Interviews with featured speakers and performers are available upon request. For media inquiries, please contact Courtney Young at [cyoung@thinkfsc.com](mailto:cyoung@thinkfsc.com).

**More About "Harriet Tubman Statue "Journey to Freedom,"**

Step into history and witness Harriet Tubman's extraordinary life and legacy through the powerful **Traveling Exhibit, Harriet Tubman Statue "Journey to Freedom,"** hosted by **Historic Mitchelville Freedom Park** in partnership with **The Town of Hilton Head Island's Office of Cultural Affairs**. The exhibition will be open to the public from **January 1 through April 30, 2025**.

At the heart of the exhibit is the awe-inspiring "**Journey to Freedom**" sculpture by renowned artist **Wesley Wofford**. This **sculpture** captures Harriet Tubman in motion as a fearless leader and symbolizes her resilience, courage, and unwavering determination as a conductor on the Underground Railroad.

**Exhibit Dates:** January 1 – April 30, 2025

**Location:** Historic Mitchelville Freedom Park, [40 Harriet Tubman Way, Hilton Head Island, SC](#)

**Exhibition Highlights**

- **Harriet Tubman Sculpture:** The centerpiece of the exhibit, the "*Journey to Freedom*" statue, encapsulates Tubman's indomitable spirit and leadership.
- **Interactive Displays:** Guests will explore Harriet Tubman's remarkable life—from her escape from slavery to her roles as a Union Army nurse, scout, and spy, and her advocacy for women's suffrage.
- **Connection to Mitchelville:** Learn about Tubman's influence on Mitchelville, America's first Freedman's town, and its historic connection to freedom and equality.

HISTORIC MITCHELVILLE FREEDOM PARK PRESENTS

# 2025 FREEDOM DAY

Feb 1  
2025  
11am -1pm

An exploration of African Americans contributions through labor and the development of Historic Mitchelville under the leadership of Harriet Tubman.

**Historic Mitchelville Freedom Park**  
40 Harriet Tubman Way  
Hilton Head Island, SC 29926



## Speakers



**Dr. Edda Fields-Black**  
Author of COMBEE: Harriet Tubman, the Combahee River Raid, and Black Freedom during the Civil War



**Wesley Wofford**  
Journey to Freedom Sculptor

## Musical Performance

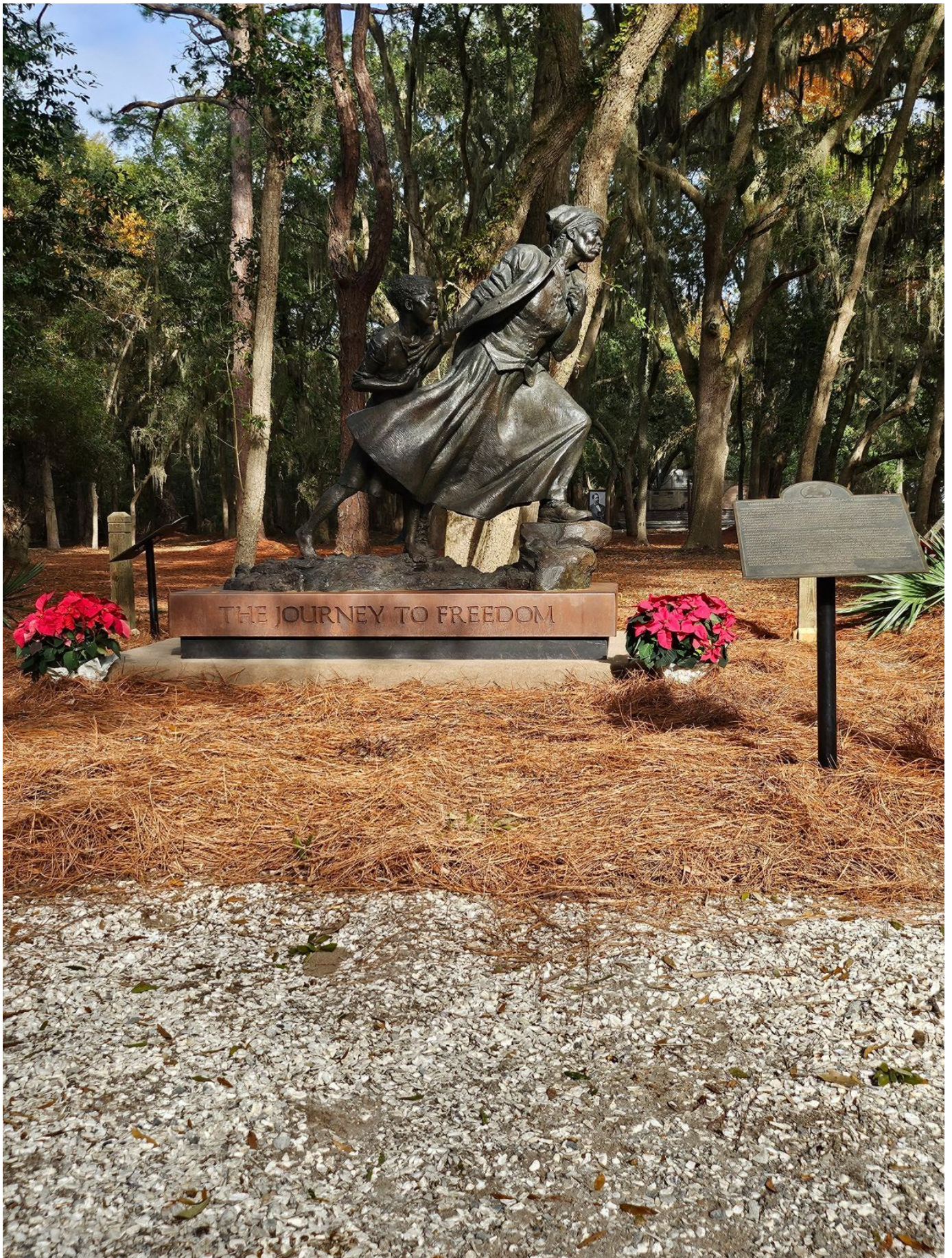


**SCAD Bee Sharps**

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