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Current and Past Positions

August 2018	Professor, Communication Studies, The University of Kansas
August 2012 – August 2018	Associate Professor, Communication Studies, The University of Kansas
August 2014 - Present	Affiliate Faculty. Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies
August 2007 - July 2012	Assistant Professor, Communication Studies, The University of Kansas
Fall 2006 - Spring 2007	Visiting Assistant Professor, University of Maryland
Fall 2000 - Summer 2006	Graduate Teaching Assistant, The Pennsylvania State University

Education

Ph.D. in Communication Arts and Sciences, The Pennsylvania State University (August 2006)
Dissertation advisor: Dr. Rosa Eberly
Dissertation: “The Politics of Public Confession: Expressivism and American Democracy”
M.A. in Speech Communication (August 2002)
The Pennsylvania State University
Thesis advisor: Dr. Stephen H. Browne

B.A. in Religious Studies, *Cum Laude* (May 1998)
Minor in Communication Studies
Westmont College, Santa Barbara, California

Grants, Fellowships, Residencies (selected)

Tell, Dave, PI. Time-Sensitive Fund. Research Excellence Initiative. College of Liberal Arts & Sciences.
\$1,350. December 2019.

Tell, Dave, PI. Course Release. Research Excellence Initiative. College of Liberal Arts & Sciences.
\$5,500. Spring 2019.

Fellowship, National Endowment for the Humanities. \$54,000. July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017. FA-232416.

Weems, Patrick, PI. Historic Preservation Fund. National Park Service. \$500,000. January 2017. NOTE: I was a consultant, ghost writer on the application, and collaborator in the grant.

Weems, Patrick, PI. Museum Grants African American History and Culture. Institute of Library and Museum Services. \$72,670. NOTE: I ghost wrote the majority of the application narrative.

Scholars on Site. The Hall Center for the Humanities. The University of Kansas. Awarded December 2014. \$10,000. <http://www.hallcenter.ku.edu/funding/competition/scholars-on-site2014>

Collaborative Humanities Design Project. Teagle Foundation. Center for Teaching Excellence. 2014-2017. \$750/year. With Beth Innocenti.

Office of International Programs, The University of Kansas, Spring 2013 International Seminar: "Architectures of the World." \$850.

Sabbatical. The University of Kansas.

Visiting Research Fellow. The Hall Center for the Humanities, 2011-2012. Provides teaching release, office space, and dedicated time for research in the Fall of 2011.

Honors, Awards (selected)

Vice Chancellor for Research Book Award, Hall Center for the Humanities, The University of Kansas. For *Remembering Emmett Till*. February 2, 2018.

Community Engaged Scholarship Award. For the "Emmett Till Memory Project." College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, University of Kansas. April 18, 2017.

Chancellor's 2017 University Scholarly Achievement Award. For the Emmett Till Memory Project. April 10, 2017.

"Heritage Award for Education." Mississippi Heritage Trust. For The Emmett Till Memory Project. May 19, 2016.

Sharon and Jeffrey Vitter Award for Engaged Scholarship, for The Emmett Till Memory Project. May 2, 2016.

Marie Hochmuth Nichols Award, 2013. National Communication Association. For *Confessional Crises and Cultural Politics in Twentieth-Century America* (University Park, PA: The Pennsylvania State University Press, 2012).

Golden Anniversary Monograph Award, 2013. National Communication Association. For "The Meanings of Kansas: Rhetoric, Regions, and Counter Regions," *Rhetoric Society Quarterly* 42, no. 3 (2012): 214-232.

Karl R. Wallace Memorial Award. National Communication Association, 2012. Provides a "grant-in-aid" to support the writing of *Rhetoric, Regionalism, and Cultural Politics*.

Ned N. Fleming Trust Award, 2012. This is a university wide Chancellor's Distinguished Teaching Award. \$5000.

Donn W. Parson Graduate Faculty Mentorship Award, Communication Studies at the University of Kansas, 2011-2012.

"Gerald R. Miller Doctoral Dissertation Award." *The National Communication Association*, 2007.

Dissertation Award. *The Rhetoric Society of America*, 2007. Awarded for the "best dissertation in the field of rhetorical studies completed by a student member of the society."

Kenneth Burke Prize in Rhetoric. Awarded by the Departments of English and Communication Arts & Sciences at Penn State for "Beyond Mnemotechnics: Confession and Memory in Augustine," 2005.

Carroll C. Arnold Award for Academic Excellence. Awarded by the Department of Communication Arts & Sciences, 2004.

Books

Tell, Dave. *Remembering Emmett Till* (Chicago: The University of Chicago Press, May 2019).

Tell, Dave. *Confessional Crises and Cultural Politics in Twentieth-Century America* (University Park, PA: The Pennsylvania State University Press, 2012). <http://www.psupress.org/books/titles/978-0-271-05628-9.html>.

Winner: Marie Hochmuth Nichols Award, 2013. National Communication Association

Digital Humanities Products

Dave Tell, "Surprised by Emmett Till," [online roleplay designed for high school classroom] *Serious SIM*. Project funded by an NEH Digital Humanities Implementation grant (Christian Spielvogel, PI). July 2019.

Correa, Pablo, Davis Houck, Christian Spielvogel, and Dave Tell. "[Emmett Till Memory Project](#)" [mobile application software]. *Field Trip* by Niantic Labs. First published February 4, 2016. <https://www.fieldtripper.com/>

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

Tell, Dave. "Measurement and Modernity: Height, Gender, and Le Corbusier's Modulor," *Public Culture* 31.1 (January 2019): 21-43. Lead essay.

Tell, Dave. "Can a Gas Station Remember a Murder?" *Southern Cultures*. Special Issue: "Things." (Fall 2017), 54-61.

Tell, Dave. "Remembering Emmett Till: Reflections on Race, Geography, and Memory." *Advances in the History of Rhetoric* 20.2 (2017): 121-38.

Tell, Dave. "The Rise and Fall of a Mechanical Rhetoric, or, What Grain Elevators Teach us About Postmodernism." *Quarterly Journal of Speech* 100.2 (2014): 163-185.

Tell, Dave. "Rhetoric and Its Masses: An Introduction." *Advances in the History of Rhetoric* 17.1 (2014): 1-6.

Tell, Dave. "Reinventing Walter Lippmann: Communication and Cultural Studies." *Review of Communication* 13.2 (2013): 108-126.

Tell, Dave and Eric Miller. "Rhetoric, Rationality, and Judicial Activism." *Advances in the History of Rhetoric* 15.2 (2012): 185-203.

Tell Dave. "The Meanings of Kansas: Rhetoric, Regions, and Counter Regions." *Rhetoric Society Quarterly* 42.3 (2012): 214-232. Winner: NCA's 2013 Golden Anniversary Monograph Award.

Reprinted in *Regional Rhetorics: Real and Imagined Spaces* (New York: Routledge, 2014), 14-32.

Featured in the *Lawrence Journal World* (Aug. 25, 2013) and on "Up to Date," KUCR, Kansas City (Nov. 11, 2012).

Tell, Dave. "Rhetoric and Power: An Inquiry Into Foucault's Critique of Confession." *Philosophy & Rhetoric* 43.2 (Spring 2010): 95-117. Lead Article

Tell, Dave. "Augustine and the 'Chair of Lies': Rhetoric in *The Confessions*." *Rhetorica* 28.4 (2010): 384-407.

Tell, Dave. "Stanton's 'Solitude of Self' as Public Confession." *Communication Studies* 61.2 (April-June 2010): 172-183.

Tell, Dave. "Jimmy Swaggart's Secular Confession." *Rhetoric Society Quarterly* 39.2 (Spring 2009): 124-146.

Tell, Dave. "James McGreevey, The State-House Resignation Speech (12 August, 2004)." *Voices of Democracy: The U.S. Oratory Project* 3 (2008): 83-102.
<http://www.voicesofdemocracy.umd.edu/VODJournalVolume3.htm>

Tell, Dave. "The 'Shocking Story' of Emmett Till and the Politics of Public Confession." *Quarterly Journal of Speech* 94.2 (May 2008): 156-178.

Tell, Dave. "Augustinian Political Theory and Religious Discourse in Public Life." *Journal of Communication and Religion* 30.2 (November 2007): 213-35.

Tell, Dave. "Beyond Mnemotechnics: Confession and Memory in Augustine." *Philosophy & Rhetoric* 39.3 (2006): 233-53.

Hogan, J. Michael and Dave Tell. "Demagoguery and Democratic Deliberation: The Search for Rules of Discursive Engagement." *Rhetoric & Public Affairs* 9.3 (2006): 479-87.

Tell, Dave. "Burke's Encounter with Ransom: Rhetoric and Epistemology in 'Four Master Tropes.'" *Rhetoric Society Quarterly* 34.4 (2004): 33-54.

Tell, Dave. "The Man and the Message: Timothy Dwight and Homiletic Authority." *Journal of Communication and Religion* 26.1 (2003): 83-108.

Book Chapters, Smaller Peer-reviewed Publications

Tell, Dave. "A Brief History of a Utopian Gesture." In *The Conceit of Context*, eds. Charles E. Morris and Kendall Phillips (Michigan State University Press, forthcoming).

Tell, Dave. "Innovation and Commonplaces." *Review of Communication* 16.1 (2016): 101-103.

Tell, Dave. "The Exodus as Burden: Obama, Agency, and the Containment Thesis." In *The Rhetoric of Presidential Expectations: Establishing the Obama Presidency*, eds. Jennifer Mercieca and Justin Vaughn (College Station: Texas A&M University Press, 2013).

Tell, Dave. "Burke and Jameson: Reflections on Language, Ideology, and Criticism." In *Burke in the Archives: Using the Past to Transform the Future of Burkean Studies*, eds. Jessica Enoch and Dana Anderson (Columbia: The University of South Carolina Press, 2013).

Tell, David. "Rousseau, Rhetoric, and the Promise of Contractual Politics." In *The Responsibilities of Rhetoric*, eds. Michelle Smith and Barbara Warnick (Long Grove, IL: Waveland Press, 2010), 25-36.

Public Writing

Tell, Dave. "Emmett Till never feared his killers? No, he died in agony." *Jackson Clarion-Ledger*, August 27, 2018. <https://www.clarionledger.com/story/opinion/columnists/2018/08/27/emmett-till-never-feared-his-killers-no-he-died-agony/1030485002/>

Tell, Dave. "Till Marker was just 35 days unshot." Tallahatchie County (MS) *Sun Sentinel*. August 9, 2018, 5. <https://tallahatchienews.ms/opinion-columnists/till-marker-was-just-35-days-unshot-1#sthash.vtzHvh7s.dpbs>.

Reprinted by Humanities Kansas, August 10, 2018. <https://www.humanitieskansas.org/get-involved/kansas-stories/race-ethnicity/till-marker-was-just-35-days-unshot>.

Tell, Dave. "Letter: The Long-Delayed Pursuit of Justice." *The Atlantic Monthly* (July 26, 2018), <https://www.theatlantic.com/letters/archive/2018/07/letter-reopening-the-emmett-till-case-is-a-cynical-play/565625/>

Tell, Dave and Patrick Weems, "How is Emmett Till Remembered?" *History News Network*. February 5, 2017. <http://historynewsnetwork.org/article/165045>

Tell, Dave. "[A Brief Visual History of the Bullet-Riddled Emmett Till Memorial](#)." *Reading the Pictures*. November 16, 2016.

W. Ralph Eubanks and Dave Tell, "[For Better or Worse, How Mississippi Remembers Emmett Till](#)." *Literary Hub*. November 2, 2016.

Book Reviews

Tell, Dave. *In Remembrance of Emmett Till: Regional Stories and Media Responses to the Black Freedom Struggle*, by Darryl Mace. *American Historical Review* 120, no. 3 (2015): 1066-1067.

Tell, Dave. Review of *American Lobotomy: A Rhetorical History*, by Jenell Johnson. *Quarterly Journal of Speech* 101, no. 1 (2015): 321-324.

Tell, Dave. Review of *Letters to Power: Public Advocacy without Public Intellectuals*, by Samuel McCormick. *Rhetorica*, 32, no. 4 (2014): 414-417.

Tell, Dave. Review of *Distant Publics: Development Rhetoric and the Subject of Crisis*, by Jenny Rice. *Rhetoric Society Quarterly* 43, no. 5 (2013): 490-493.

Tell, Dave. Review of *John Brown Still Lives: America's Long Reckoning with Violence, Equality, and Change*, by R. Blakeslee Gilpin. *American Studies* 52.2 (2013): 168-69.

Tell, Dave. Review of *The Sacrament of Language: An Archaeology of the Oath*, by Giorgio Agamben. *Philosophy & Rhetoric* 45.4 (2012): 452-459.

Tell, Dave. Review of *Rhetoric, Modality, Modernity*, by Nancy Struever. *Quarterly Journal of Speech*, 98.1 (2012): 124-127.

Tell, Dave. Review of *Centrist Rhetoric: The Production of Political Transcendence in the Clinton Presidency*, by Antonio de Velasco. *Rhetoric and Public Affairs* 14.3 (2011): 581-584.

Tell, Dave. Review of *Hellfire Nation: The Politics of Sin in American History*, by James A. Morone. *Rhetoric and Public Affairs* 9.2 (2006): 347-352.

Tell, Dave. Review of *Gorgias: Sophist and Artist*, by Scott Consigny. *Rhetoric Society Quarterly* 35.3 (2005): 137-141.

Tell, Dave. Review of *The Confession of Augustine*, by Jean-François Lyotard. *Quarterly Journal of Speech* 90.2 (2004): 255-256.

Tell, Dave. Review of *On Belief*, by Slavoj Žižek. *Philosophy & Rhetoric* 37.1 (2004): 96-99.

Editorial Experience

Book Review Editor, *Rhetoric and Public Affairs*, 2014-2017.

Book Review Editor, *Rhetoric and Public Affairs*, 2017-2021.

Guest Editor, *Advances in the History of Rhetoric*. Special Issue on “Rhetoric and Its Masses.” Spring 2014.

Editorial Boards

Communication and Critical/Cultural Studies (2019-2022)

Rhetoric Society Quarterly (2015 -- current)

Rhetoric and Public Affairs (2014 -- current)

Quarterly Journal of Speech (2013 -- current)

Southern Communication Journal (2015 -- current)

Journal for the History of Rhetoric (2020 – current)

Advances in the History of Rhetoric (2016 -- 2019)

Voices of Democracy (current and ongoing)

Invited Public Presentations (not conferences)

Tell, Dave, “Remembering Emmett Till.” Book talk/signing. West Wyandotte Library, Kansas City, KS. May 13, 2019.

Tell, Dave, “The Emmett Till Memory Project.” Museum of the Mississippi Delta. Greenwood, MS. April 6, 2019.

Tell, Dave. “Remembering Emmett Till.” Bishop Seabury Academy, Lawrence, KS. February 19, 2019.

Tell, Dave, “The Murder of Emmett Till.” Parson Public Library, Parson, KS. February 11, 2019.

Tell, Dave, “The Murder of Emmett Till.” Leavenworth Public Library, Parson, KS. February 10, 2019.

Tell, Dave, “The Murder of Emmett Till.” West Wyandotte Library, Kansas City, KS. February 4, 2019.

Tell, Dave, “Remembering Emmett Till.” Billie Mills Middle School, Lawrence, KS. January 18, 2019.

Tell, Dave, “The Haunting of Bryant’s Grocery.” Haunted Humanities, Lawrence, KS. October 24, 2018.

Tell, Dave, “The Murder of Emmett Till.” Rotary Club of Lenexa, Lenexa, KS. October 5, 2018.

Tell, Dave, “The Murder of Emmett Till.” Park City Alive! 2018. Park City Public Library, Park City, KS. August 25, 2018.

Tell, Dave, “The Emmett Till Memory Project.” The Friends Council. Lawrence, Kansas. April 24, 2018.

Tell, Dave. The Emmett Till Memory Project. “KU in Wichita” Annual Lecture. Wichita Museum of Art, Wichita, KS. March 29, 2018.

Tell, Dave. Whiteness symposium. The Commons at KU. February 27, 2018.

Tell, Dave. The Emmett Till Memory Project. Honors Program at Sterling College. Sterling, KS. February 26, 2018.

Tell, Dave. The Emmett Till Memory Project. Hyman Brand Hebrew Academy Civil Rights Tour. Jewish Community Center, Overland Park, KS. November 6, 2017.

Tell, Dave, "The Emmett Till Memory Project." University Community Forum. Lawrence, KS. September 6, 2017.

Tell, Dave, "The Emmett Till Memory Project." Douglas County Youth Services, Lawrence, KS 66044, May 3, 2017.

Tell, Dave, "The Murder of Emmett Till." U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Region VII, 2017 Black History Celebration Event. February 28, 2017.

Tell, Dave, "The Emmett Till Memory Project." Larned Correctional Mental Health Facility, Larned, KS. February 16, 2017.

Tell, Dave, "The Emmett Till Memory Project." Dodge City Public Library, Dodge City, KS. February 16, 2017.

Tell, Dave, "The Emmett Till Memory Project." Coffee County Library, Gridley, KS. November 14, 2016.

Tell, Dave. "The Emmett Till Memory Project." City Hall, Halstead, KS. September 22, 2016.

Tell, Dave. "The Emmett Till Memory Project." Civil Rights Literacy and the Common Good. National Endowment for the Humanities. Jackson, Mississippi. April 29, 2016.

Tell, Dave. "The Emmett Till Memory Project." Lawrence High School, Lawrence, KS. April 21, 2016.

Tell, Dave. "The Emmett Till Memory Project." History Club lecture. Blue Valley West High School, Overland Park, KS. April 4, 2016.

Tell, Dave. "Grain Elevators, Postmodernism, and the Humanities." The Oread Center. Lawrence, Kansas. November 3, 2015.

Tell, Dave. "The Emmett Till Memory Project." Friends of the Hall Center Social. Hall Center for the Humanities, The University of Kansas. October 6, 2015.

Tell, Dave. "The Unlikely Story of Grain Elevators, Architecture, and Postmodernity." Wichita-Sedgwick County Historical Museum. August 26, 2015.

Tell, Dave. "Truman Capote and the Meanings of Kansas." Watkins Museum. Lawrence, KS. January 13, 2015.

Tell, Dave. "Truman Capote and the Meanings of Kansas." Graham County Public Library. Hill City, KS. December 6, 2014.

Tell, Dave. "Truman Capote and the Meanings of Kansas." Wichita-Sedgwick County Historical Museum. October 22, 2014.

Tell, Dave. "The Unlikely Story of Grain Elevators and Postmodernity." Lawrence Rotary Club. Lawrence, KS. September 29, 2014.

Tell, Dave, "Grain Elevators, Rhetoric, and Postmodernity." The University of Kansas. "Red Hot Research." March 28, 2014. <http://www.thecommons.ku.edu/RedHotResearch.html>

Invited Academic Presentations (not conferences)

Tell, Dave, "Remembering Emmett Till." University of Oklahoma. Norman, OK. April 24, 2019.

Tell, Dave. "Public Humanities and Emmett Till." Mississippi State University. March 4, 2019.

Tell, Dave, "Remembering Emmett Till." University of Georgia, Athens, GA. February 26, 2019.

Tell, Dave. "Emmett Till Memory Project." Digital Humanities Seminar, University of Kansas. January 29, 2019.

Tell, Dave, "Remembering Emmett Till." Penn State Berks. Reading, PA. November 5, 2018.

Tell, Dave, "The Emmett Till Memory Project." Memory and Media Seminar, Penn State University. October 30, 2018.

Tell, Dave, "The Emmett Till Memory Project." University of North Texas. April 20, 2018.

Tell, Dave, "The Emmett Till Memory Project." Social Justice + The Media + You (a teach-in), University of Kansas Libraries. November 1, 2017.

Tell, Dave, "The Emmett Till Memory Project." The Nexus Lab, Institute for Humanities Research, Arizona State University. October 11, 2017.

Tell, Dave, "Emmett Till, Three Murder Sites, and the Spatial Politics of Remembrance." Dept. of English, Arizona State University. October 11, 2017.

Tell, Dave, "The Emmett Till Memory Project." Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN. April 3, 2017.

Tell, Dave, "The Emmett Till Memory Project." University of Kansas Libraries. November 30, 2016.

Tell, Dave. "The Emmett Till Memory Project." The Erasmus Lecture at Westmont College. September 8, 2016.

Tell, Dave. "The Emmett Till Memory Project." Center for the Study of Southern Culture, The University of Mississippi. February 17, 2016.

Tell, Dave. "Whose Emmett Till: Reflections on Geography, Race, and Memory." Hall Center for the Humanities. Place/Race/Space Seminar. March 9, 2015.

Tell, Dave. "Grain Elevators, Rhetoric, and Postmodernity." Iowa State University. Department of English, Colloquium Series. October 8, 2014.

Tell, Dave, "The Rise and Fall of a Mechanical Humanities, Or, What Grain Elevators Teach Us About Postmodernity." Wake Forest University, February 3, 2014.

Tell, Dave, "Grain Elevators, Retouched Photography, and Le Corbusier's 'Machine for Persuading.'" Department of Architecture, The University of Kansas. "In-Progress" lecture series. March 11, 2013.

Tell, Dave, "The Grain Elevator and the (Retouched) Photograph." Office of International Programs, The University of Kansas, Spring 2013 International Seminar: "Architectures of the World." February 14, 2013.

Tell, Dave. "Capote in Kansas: Rhetoric, Regionalism, and Resistance." Lecture at the Hall Center for the Humanities. The University of Kansas. November 11, 2011.

Tell, Dave. "Confession and Sexuality: How True Story Became a Confession Magazine." The Pennsylvania State University, March 17, 2011.

Tell, Dave. "William Styron's Nat Turner: Rhetoric, Confession, and the Question of Violence." Jesse B. Semple Brownbag Series, The Langston Hughes Center, The University of Kansas. April 12, 2010.

Tell, Dave. "Confessional Crises." A presentation to the Rhetoric Reading Group at the University of Illinois. February 18, 2010.

Invited Skype/Zoom Talks (electronic appearances)

Tell, Dave, "Emmett Till and the Digital Humanities," Seminar of Paul Stob, Vanderbilt University, March 27, 2019.

Tell, Dave, "Remembering Emmett Till," Seminar of Allison Prasch, Colorado State University, February 19, 2019.

Tell, Dave, "Emmett Till and the Public Humanities," Seminar of Kari Anderson, Colorado State University, January 28, 2019.

Tell, Dave, "Remembering Emmett Till." Diversity, Communication, and Organization, University of Kansas, Edwards Campus, Kansas City. November 1, 2018.

Tell, Dave, "Remembering Emmett Till," Seminar of Meaghan Parker Brooks, Willamette University, November 7, 2016.

Tell, Dave and Ann George. "Reading Archival Documents." E-lecture organized by Debbie Hawhee and Jack Selzer. Over 70 people from across the country tuned in. March 25, 2013.

Media Appearances

Work featured in *Lawrence Journal World*. Dylan Lysen, "'Haunting Humanities' event to bring KU research to the public with a Halloween twist." October 23, 2018.
<http://www2.ljworld.com/news/general-news/2018/oct/23/haunting-humanities-event-to-bring-ku-research-to-the-public-with-a-halloween-twist/>.

Interviewed by Larry Hicks. "Let's Talk About It." KABF-FM 88.3, Little Rock, AR. September 17, 2018. 9:00 – 9:30am.

Work featured in the *Greenwood Commonwealth*. Kathryn Eastburn, "Report: Price Tag Holding Up Work." August 30, 2018.

Work featured in the *University Daily Kansan*. Sydney Hoover, "Emmett Till's death the focus of a KU Professor's new app." September 4, 2018. http://www.kansan.com/news/lawrence/emmett-till-s-death-the-focus-of-ku-professor-s/article_ac38f22c-afdf-11e8-bd95-2fd83e7c0a72.html.

Work featured on *The Root*. Michael Harriot, "Holding History Hostage: One Family's Quiet Attempt to Erase their Father's Part in Emmett Till's Story." August 30 2018. <https://www.theroot.com/holding-history-hostage-one-familys-quiet-attempt-to-e-1828725696>

Work featured in *Jackson Clarion Ledger*. Bracey Harris, "Emmett Till photo incensed and inspired a generation." August 30, 2018. <https://today.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=be359a42d05a0b6055c05aba4&id=c3e054c621&e=a8e4aa59e7>.

Work featured in *Jackson Clarion Ledger*. Jerry Mitchell, "'The just want history to die': Owners demand \$4 million for crumbling Emmett Till store." August 29, 2018. <https://www.clarionledger.com/story/news/2018/08/29/emmett-till-owners-crumbling-store-where-saga-began-demand-4-m/943941002/>.

Interviewed on NPR by Carla Eckels. NPR News Now, August 28, 2018. At 3:19 of the 7am ET broadcast and 3:29 of the 12pm ET broadcast. <https://www.npr.org/podcasts/500005/npr-news-now>.

Work featured in *Jackson Clarion Ledger*. Jerry Mitchell, "Emmett Till's killers Tried to Erase this Place." August 27, 2018. <https://www.clarionledger.com/story/news/2018/08/27/emmett-tills-killers-tried-erase-crime-scene-history/906654002/>.

Work featured in *USA Today*. Jerry Mitchell, "Emmett Till: Finding the Truth Behind Decades of Lies." August 25, 2018. <https://www.usatoday.com/in-depth/news/2018/08/25/emmett-till-death-finding-truth/1098386002/>

Same article in *Jackson Clarion Ledger*, August 26, 2018. <https://www.clarionledger.com/story/news/2018/08/25/emmett-till-death-finding-truth/974294002/>

Interview with Carla Eckels, KMUW 89.1, Kansas Public Radio. "Transform the Present: Remembering the Story of Emmett Till," *Morning Edition*, August 24, 2018. <http://www.kmuw.org/post/transform-present-remembering-story-emmett-till>.

Replayed on KANU 91.5, Kansas Public Radio, "Transform the Present: Remembering the Story of Emmett Till," *Morning Edition*, August 27, 2018. <http://kansaspublicradio.org/kpr-news/remembering-emmett-tills-1955-murder-mississippi>

Video interview by Jerry Mitchell in the Jackson, MS *Clarion Ledger*. "Emmett Till Myth #1: He was murdered by only two killers." August 22, 2018. <https://www.clarionledger.com/videos/news/2018/08/22/emmett-till-myth-1-he-murdered-only-two-killers/37568295/>

Video interview by Jerry Mitchell in the Jackson, MS *Clarion Ledger*. "Emmett Till Myth #2: He was murdered in Tallahatchie County." August 22, 2018. <https://www.clarionledger.com/videos/news/2018/08/22/emmett-till-myth-2-he-murdered-tallahatchie-county/37567829/>

Video interview by Jerry Mitchell in the Jackson, MS *Clarion Ledger*. “Emmett Till Myth #3: He wasn’t scared when he was tortured and killed.” August 22, 2018. <https://www.clarionledger.com/videos/news/2018/08/22/emmett-till-myth-3-he-wasnt-scared-when-he-tortured-and-killed/37568303/>.

Work featured on *Smithsonian.com*. Jason Daley, “A Memorial Sign to Emmett Till Was Defaced With Four Bullet Holes,” August 8, 2018. <https://www.smithsonianmag.com/smart-news/memorial-murdered-boy-emmett-till-has-been-shot-again-180969928/>.

Work featured in *New York Post*. Tamir Lapin, “Emmett Till memorial sign riddled with bullets – again.” August 7, 2018. <https://nypost.com/2018/08/07/emmett-till-memorial-sign-riddled-with-bullets-again/>.

Work featured in *Time*. Alix Langone, “Emmett Till Memorial Sign Vandalized With Bullets, 35 Days After Being Replaced,” August 7, 2018. <http://time.com/5359426/emmett-till-sign-vandalized-bullet-holes/>.

Work featured in *HyperAllergic*. Jasmine Weber, “A Historical Marker Commemorating Emmett Till’s Death Is Riddled with Bullets, Again,” August 7, 2018. https://hyperallergic.com/454479/emmett-till-sign-vandalism/?utm_source=KU+Today+Newsletter+List&utm_campaign=029a00046e-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2018_08_09_03_52&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_ec834ed00f-029a00046e-278651437.

Work featured in *Teen Vogue*. Jameelah Nasheed, “Someone Shot the Sign Marking the Spot Emmett Till’s Body Was Found — Again,” August 6, 2018. <https://www.teenvogue.com/story/someone-shot-sign-marking-spot-emmett-till-body-found-again>.

Work featured in *Washington Post*. Alex Horton, “The spot where Emmett Till’s body was found is marked by this sign. People keep shooting it up.” August 5, 2018. https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/retropolis/wp/2018/08/05/the-spot-where-emmett-tills-body-was-found-is-marked-by-this-sign-people-keep-shooting-it-up/?noredirect=on&utm_term=.4cfd074fa240

Reprinted: *Chicago Tribune*, August 6, 2018.

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/nationworld/ct-emmett-till-sign-shot-up-20180806-story.html>.

Work featured in *The Griot*. Ny MaGee, “This is America: Emmett Till sign vandalized again,” August 5, 2018. <https://thegriot.com/2018/08/05/emmett-till-street-sign-vandalized-fourth-time-in-mississippi/>.

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