



BROWN v. BOARD OF EDUCATION NHS - Topeka, KS

From Slavery to Freedom - The Issue of Race in Film

A Movie Poster Exhibition presented by The Separate Cinema Archive

Brown v. Board of Education National Historic Site, in conjunction with the Brown Foundation for Educational Equity, Excellence and Research, will host *From Freedom to Slavery: The Issue of Race in Film*, an exhibition of rare movie posters on loan from the Separate Cinema Archive, a collection that chronicles the sociopolitical and cultural journeys of African Americans, as reflected through the popular medium of American film. Comprising independent and mainstream Hollywood films, this exhibition showcases early movie depictions that are both racist and sentimental - *Birth of A Nation* (1915) and *Song of the South* (1946) - to works both inspirational and controversial - *The Jackie Robinson Story* (1950) and *Pinky* (1949) - to recent documentaries on the black experience, including *King: From Montgomery to Memphis* (1970) and Spike Lee's *Malcolm X* (1992).

October 1 to October 31 - From Freedom to Slavery Poster Exhibit

Saturday, October 6 - Film Screening - *Emmanuel's Gift (Ghana, 2005)*

Saturday, October 13 - Film Screening - *Water (India, 2005)*

Saturday, October 20 - Film Screening - *God Grew Tired of Us (Sudan, USA, 2006)*

Saturday, October 27 - Film Screening - *Tsotsi (South Africa, 2005)*

Brown v. Board of Education National Historic Site commemorates the landmark U. S. Supreme Court decision of Brown v. Board of Education which ended legalized segregation in public schools. This landmark decision highlights the Supreme Court's role in affecting changes in national and social policy. The park interprets the case of Brown within the context of slavery, the Civil War, Constitutional law, Reconstruction and the Civil Rights Movement. The Lessons of Brown far transcend the realm of public education to include the fundamental principles of opportunity, inclusion, decency, and human rights. *Contact: Linda Rosenblum 785-354-4273 for further info.*