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A Day that will Live in Infamy



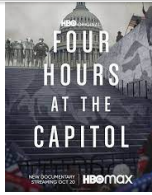
January 6, 2021

Just 12 hours after a multiracial coalition elected Georgia's first Black senator, Donald Trump brazenly called on his supporters to storm the U.S. Capitol and "save" the national election. Hundreds of men and women, the vast majority of whom were white, heeded the seditious call to suppress the official vote of the Electoral College through mob violence. The insurrectionists waved Confederate flags, vandalized the seat of American democracy and chanted, "Hang Mike Pence!" One police officer died "in the line of duty" while defending the U.S. Capitol and four more committed suicide within months of the attack. In one sense, the attempted coup on January 6, 2021, embodied the resentment and rage that fueled Trump's brand of white nationalism for more than four years. It was also yet another example of a longstanding relationship between white violence, racist exclusions, and white denial. From the Southern Redeemers movement in the aftermath of the Civil War to the burnings of Black towns and widespread lynching that drew thousands of white men, women, and children well into the twentieth century, violent white mobs have insisted upon a form of democracy, grounded in exclusion and white supremacy. Contrary to popular media, which claimed the attempted coup was "unprecedented" and "un-American," January 6th was shamefully consistent. We only need to use history as a guide to understanding its historical and contemporary resonance.

This day will forever live in infamy as a modern-day attempt to overthrow the democratic process in America. What have you done to interrupt racism and the myth of white supremacy in the last 365 days?

Click the image above to see the Washington Post article that covers the January 6, 2021

insurrection.



HBO Documentary - Four Hours At The Capitol

Four Hours at the Capitol presents an unfiltered look at the insurrection, standing both as an intimate recollection as well as a stark reminder of the violence perpetrated against our democracy and the lasting stain this day will have on our country.

Culture Corner



1/6/21 Officers Down

The insurrection caused much more than just physical damage to the Capitol Building. The human toll was immeasurable.

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President Biden and Vice President Harris

The president and vice-president speak to the American people on the 1-year anniversary of the January 6, 2021 insurrection.

Click the image to see the speeches in their entirety.



January 6, Not the First Coup d'Etat

There was a successful Coup d'Etat on American soil in Wilmington, NC in 1898. White mob violence is not a new phenomenon.

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