

# SC Civil Rights Museum

## Invitational Golf Tournament

### Welcome to the 2026 Invitational Golf Tournament

Dear Registrant,

Welcome to the South Carolina Civil Rights Museum Invitational Golf Tournament! We are honored to have you join us in supporting a historic cause that celebrates the vanguards of South Carolina's Civil Rights Movement. Your participation not only contributes to an unforgettable day of fellowship and competition, but also directly supports the museum's operational funding and its mission to preserve and share our state's rich Civil Rights history.

#### **Tournament Schedule**

 Location: Hillcrest Golf Club, 1280 State A&M Road, Orangeburg, SC 29118

 Date: Saturday, June 20, 2026

Time	Activity	Location & Notes
06:30 AM	Volunteer & Sponsor Arrival	<b>Clubhouse Entrance / Check-In Tables / Cart Staging Area</b> Volunteers help set up welcome stations, sponsor signage, and prep carts.
07:15 AM	Player Check-In Opens	<b>Main Check-In Tent – Clubhouse Circle Drive</b> Receive your badge, team assignment, scorecard, raffle bundle, and welcome packet. Coffee and pastries provided.
08:15 AM	Opening Remarks & National Anthems	<b>Clubhouse Patio or First Tee</b> Remarks by museum leaders. National Anthem & Black National Anthem observed.
08:45 AM	Rules Briefing & Hole-in-One Challenge	<b>Clubhouse Patio or First Tee</b> Tournament rules overview. \$10,000 Hole-in-One Challenge briefing. Sponsored by the Mitchell Family.
09:00 AM	Shotgun Start	<b>Assigned Starting Hole</b> 4-person scramble begins. Use Event Caddy app to track scores and live leaderboard.
01:30 PM	Lunch on the Course	<b>Mobile Meal Stations near Hole #9 &amp; Clubhouse Turn</b> Southern flavors, Juneteenth pride — served on course.
02:00 PM	Final Call: Scoring, Raffles & Auction	<b>Event Caddy App &amp; Clubhouse Lounge Table</b> Enter final scores. Last chance for raffle and silent auction entries.
02:30 PM	Awards Ceremony	<b>Clubhouse Stage or Dining Pavilion</b> Vanguard for Freedom Trophy, Longest Drive, Nearest to the Pin, Raffle & Auction winners announced.
03:30 PM	Closing Remarks & Group Photo	<b>Clubhouse Patio / Photo Backdrop</b> Thank you for supporting the Museum. Group photo opportunity for all.

## **Tournament Format**

This is a four-person scramble format. All players tee off, and the best shot is selected for the next stroke. Play continues from the best ball each time. Handicaps will be averaged for each team and adjusted to 80% to ensure fair play.

The team with the lowest overall score will be awarded the prestigious Vanguard for Freedom Trophy, with individual trophies for each member. The winning team's photo and names will be added to the permanent exhibit at the South Carolina Civil Rights Museum.

## **Player Guidelines**

- Proper golf attire is required.
- Arrive early to check in and warm up — check-in opens at 7:15 AM.
- Respect pace of play and golf etiquette.
- Golf carts will be provided — one per pair.
- Water stations will be available throughout the course.

## **Hole-in-One Challenge**

A special thank you to Lynda Mitchell & the Mitchell Family Foundation for sponsoring our Hole-in-One Challenge! Golfers who sink a hole-in-one at the designated par-3 will win a **\$10,000 cash prize**. Good luck — and swing big!

## **Raffles & Sponsorship Recognition**

All registered teams receive raffle tickets. Additional raffle tickets can be purchased at check-in and on course.

Grand Prize: 4-day, 3-night stay in the Cayman Islands, with additional prizes from local sponsors.

Thank you to our sponsors for supporting the Museum and this special event. Please visit the sponsor signage on each hole and in the clubhouse to show them your appreciation.

## **Contact Information**

If you have any questions leading up to the event, please reach out to:

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*We look forward to seeing you on the course and thank you again for supporting the South Carolina Civil Rights Museum!*

— **The Tournament Planning Committee**