# Dinah Memorial

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## Our Philosophy

- A visual depiction of Dinah would rely on stereotypes
- This memorial would be a conceptual space for visitors to understand and think critically about this history.
- It gives Stenton a progressive transition from the problematic "faithful slave" narrative of the past to racial conscious future
- Provide context for events that would develop a relationship between Stenton and local community.



### Monument: The Grave



#### Comparison: Vietnam War Memorial

- Reflective Granite shows self.
- List of Names and dates en masse gives sense of scale which this happened

#### Black Granite

- Reflective, which gives viewers a context to reflect on their own relationship to these narratives.
- Contrasts with Logan memorial out front (but does not supersede it)

#### Content

 List of Mammy monuments and dates erected (the original Dinah monument would be included)

#### Message

- This is more than just Dinah but has occurred across the United States
- Stenton recognizes that in the past, it contributed to that narrative, but advocates to end the harmful mythos of mammy memorials.

### Monument: The Plaque

- Right next to grave
- Makes sure audience knows, this is NOT
   Dinah's actual grave and what's the purpose
  - Could begin with the statement:

    THIS IS NOT DINAH'S GRAVE.

    HISTORY USED HER AS A SYMBOL FOR HATE.

    THIS GRAVE WILL OUT THIS NARRATIVE, AND

    OTHERS LIKE IT, TO REST.
  - o Blunt to force the political message home
- Includes sources that enable curious readers to continue their research into this subject



# Site Plan



In the back garden so it carries ideas of renewal.



### Monument: the Funeral

- Event.
- Recognize that the original Dinah monument is buried underneath
- Monthly-yearly gathering between faculty at Stenton and community of Germantown
- Moment of historical and emotional catharsis