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July 30th 2012: New Orleans Mayor Talks Racial Healing

Mayor Mitch Landrieu is not afraid to talk about what he sees as racism. But can he talk about racial healing beyond facts and figures? He seems to have a sense of urgency that goes beyond just making a speech to say the words someone expects to hear. Of all the things he could focus on about race, is it more about people?...the democracy?...or both. Was there a special moment in his personal life experience that ignited the desire to reach out, and have the courage to break the Don't Talk Rule about race as a White male? What keeps him up at night about Black, Brown, Yellow, Red, and White p

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Featured Guest



Mitch Landrieu

Mitch Landrieu was sworn in as the 61st mayor of New Orleans on May 3, 2010. He has pledged to usher in a new era of peace and prosperity for the people of New Orleans. As a state legislator, Major Landrieu represented the Broadmoor neighborhood for 16 years. As Lieutenant Governor of Louisiana, he served as an executive, managing a \$127 million budget and 800 employees. After Hurricane Katrina, he led the effort to rebuild the tourism industry and the thousands of jobs it creates. His team got more than \$22 million in grant money from Congress into the hands of hundreds of homeowners quickly. During his tenure, Mayor Landrieu focused on creating jobs. He launched the Cultural Economy ini

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