

The Sam Rayburn (Library) Museum is proud to present the exhibit, "A Tribute to Jesse Higgs." In celebration of Black History Month, the exhibit will be on display from February 4-March 4.

The exhibit honors Higgs, who began working for Speaker Rayburn in 1955, during the construction of the Sam Rayburn Library and remained on staff at the Library until his retirement over 40 years later. During an interview in 1997, Higgs commented on his service to Rayburn and the Rayburn Library saying, "I wouldn't have wanted to work anyplace else. It was a good job and great honor to work for Mr. Rayburn." During his time at the Rayburn Library, Higgs became an integral part of the Library's operations. Upon the occasion of his retirement, Library Director H.G. Dulaney remarked, "They can do without me, but I don't know how they are going to do without Jesse!"

The Sam Rayburn (Library) Museum is a division of the Briscoe Center for American History at The University of Texas at Austin. The museum is free and open to the public. For more information on the exhibit or the Sam Rayburn Museum, please call (903) 583-2455.