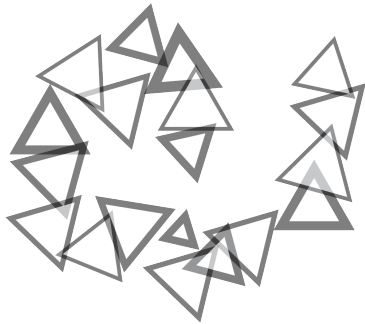


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CHANGE

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CONFERENCE DATES:

October 29th – October 30th, 2021

HOSTED BY: University of Texas at Dallas (Richardson)

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About the Conference

[Richardson, Texas] – *EMBRACING CHANGE* is the title of the 2021 Society for Photographic Education's South Central Regional Conference (SPESC). This year's conference will explore the rapid changes in photographic practice, relating to web, video, performance, installation, and interactive environments.

This hybrid conference will invite participants to share strategies and innovative perspectives for addressing the continuing rapid changes in photographic practice, relating to web, video, performance, installation, and interactive environments. Through dialogue and exchange, the aim is to foster an understanding of the connections shared by creative professionals and scholars working in areas such as contemporary art, social media, commercial photography, video, and education. This hybrid conference will be comprised of both virtual and in-person events.

The unexpected, the emergent, and the transitory serve as beacons in this shifting landscape, paving new avenues for discovery as well as career opportunities. The goal of our discussions is to provide guideposts for navigating the future for the student, professional, artist, scholar, and educator. www.spenational.org

Keynote Speaker **Letitia Huckaby**

Letitia Huckaby has a degree in Journalism from the University of Oklahoma, a BFA from the Art Institute of Boston in photography and her Master's degree from the University of North Texas in Denton. Huckaby has exhibited as an emerging artist at Phillips New York, the Tyler Museum of Art, The Studio School of Harlem, the Camden Palace Hotel in Cork City, Ireland, and the Texas Biennial at Blue Star Contemporary Art Museum. Her work is included in several prestigious collections; the Library of Congress, the McNay Art Museum, the Art Museum of Southeast Texas, and the Samella Lewis Contemporary Art Collection at Scripps College in Claremont, California. Huckaby was a featured artist in MAP2020: The Further We Roll, The More We Gain at the Amon Carter Museum and State of the Art 2020 at The Momentary and Crystal Bridges Museum, both opened in the spring of 2020. Huckaby was also a

Fall 2020 Artist in Residence at ArtPace.



© Letitia Huckaby, *Barbara* 2020, pigment print on fabric .
with embroidery, 70 x 40 x 2 inches



Letitia Huckaby © Rambo

Lecture: "Letitia Huckaby: a Metamorphosis" Saturday, October 30, 7:00 pm

The basic premise behind Letitia Huckaby's work is faith, family and legacy. It is a time capsule for the African-American experience. A photographer at heart, each piece starts with an image and progresses from there to morph into dresses, quilts, or framed quilt tops. Huckaby loves to push the boundaries of photography, looking at how the past relates to the present, and whether or not things have changed or remain the same. There is always a history built into the pieces, whether through process or actual materials. Images are printed onto cotton fabric, hand-stitched together or framed in embroidery hoops. Huckaby uses a traditional practice in an untraditional way, creating a new visual language. www.huckabystudios.com

Calendar of Events

Exhibitions: October 15- November 13, 2021
SP/N Gallery, University of Texas at Dallas

2021 SPESC Juried Member Exhibition (juried by Christopher Blay)
2021 SPESC Student Exhibition

Friday, October 29:

- virtual panel talks, presentations, and portfolio reviews
- on-campus workshops

Saturday, October 30:

- virtual panel talks, presentations, and portfolio reviews
- on-campus workshops
- exhibition reception: to be announced
- Keynote Speaker: Letitia Huckaby 7:00 pm, Jonsson Performance Hall, UT-Dallas and virtually

Please direct questions to: spesc2021@gmail.com

Conference Hotel: Hyatt Regency North Dallas, 701 E Campbell Rd,
Richardson, TX, 75081

Chapter Conference Committee: Marilyn Waligore, *Chair*, Diane Durant, Anna
Fritzel, Emily Loving, Daniel Martinez, Cynthia Miller, Marcy Palmer, Ariel Wilson

South Central Chapter Chair: Diane Durant

