#### 40 ACRES...GUMBO YAYA

#### LETITICA HUCKABY

**SEPTEMBER 9 - OCTOBER 7** 



LILIANA BLOCH GALLERY

#### 40 ACRES...GUMBO YAYA ARTIST STATEMENT

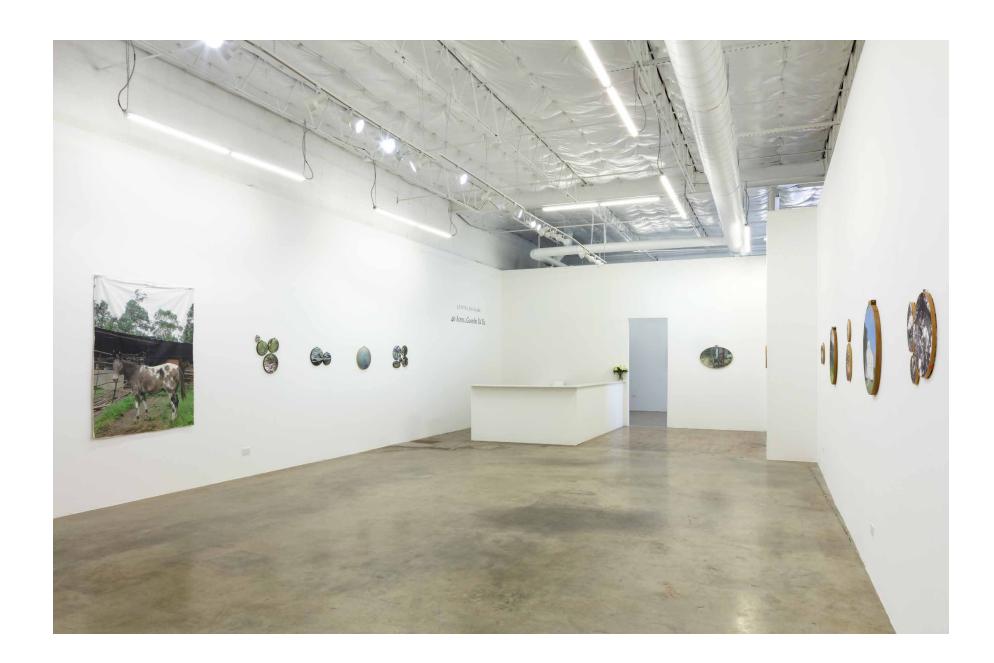
40 Acres Gumbo Ya Ya is a poetic examination of a promise made by Union General William Sherman for agrarian reform to enslaved African American farmers. Gumbo Ya Ya means, "everybody talks at once." Referencing broken agreements (just words) and the continual discussion (everybody talking at once) about the Blues originating past. Huckaby's images were taken in Louisiana, Mississippi and Texas, and they depict a rural southern landscape, the reality and longings of a neglected culture steeped in disappointment. Framed in vintage embroidery hoops, the landscape embodies the hopes and dreams of one generation to the next.

- Letitia Huckaby











Zachary Black Catfish
2017
pigment print on fabric with vintage embroidery hoop
22" h x 16.75" w



Mississippi Delta Row 2017 pigment print on fabric with vintage embroidery hoop 17.25" h x 12.5" w



Old Slave Quarters

2017 pigment print on fabric with vintage embroidery hoop 26.375" w x 19" h



**Road to "Daddy's"**2017
pigment print on fabric with vintage embroidery hoop
15" h x 19.5" w



Clothesline
2017
pigment print on fabric with vintage embroidery hoop
15" h x 14.5" w



**Bud's House**2017
pigment print on fabric with vintage embroidery hoop
10.75" h x 16.5" w



Sharecroppers Duplex 2017 pigment print on fabric with vintage embroidery hoop 23.5" h x 28.5" w



Washington Old Homestead 2017 pigment print on fabric with vintage embroidery hoop 21" h x 12 .5" w



All Things Are Possible
2017
pigment print on fabric with vintage embroidery hoop
24" h x 22.5" w



Waxahachie Cotton 2017 pigment print on fabric with vintage embroidery hoop 16.25" h x 20.5" w



#### **Persimmon**2017 pigment print on fabric with vintage embroidery hoop 12.75" h x 12.25" w



Dixon Correctional Institute
2017
pigment print on fabric with vintage embroidery hoop
18.5" h x 27.25" w



**Rest in Peace**2017
pigment print on fabric with vintage embroidery hoop
27.5" h x 18.5" w



Sugarland 2017 pigment print on fabric with vintage embroidery hoop 18"  $h \times 27.5$ " w



**Bayou L'Ours**2017
pigment print on fabric with vintage embroidery hoop
27.5" h x 14" w



Wilson Burning Brush 2017 pigment print on fabric with vintage embroidery hoop 17.5" h x 22" w



Clarence's Ol Trailer
2017
pigment print on fabric with vintage embroidery hoop
11.25" h x 21" w



Broken and Contrite and Ask, Seek, Knock 2017 pigment print on fabric with vintage embroidery hoop 19.5" h x 18.5" w each



...And a Mule. 2017 pigment print on fabric with vintage embroidery hoop 61.5" h x 45" w



Louisiana Back Highway 2017 pigment print on fabric with vintage embroidery hoop 19.25" h x 16.5" w



**Pond Water**2017
pigment print on fabric with vintage embroidery hoop
10.75" h x 17.5" w



**Murky Water** 2017 pigment print on fabric with vintage embroidery hoop 14.75" h x 14.5" w



Grant Street Eden
2017
pigment print on fabric with vintage embroidery hoop
19" h x 16.25" w



Wandering Wisteria
2017
Pigment Print on Fabric with Vintage Embroidery Hoop
27" h x 20" w

#### **LETITIA HUCKABY**ABOUT THE ARTIST

Letitia Huckaby began her artistic career at the age of four, when her parents started her in dance classes. She studied Ballet, Tap, Jazz, and Modern dance until the age of eighteen, and was selected to participate in the prestigious Oklahoma Arts Institute two years in a row. The exposure to a variety of other art forms led her to photography as a medium.

Huckaby holds a degree in Journalism from the University of Oklahoma, a BFA from the Art Institute of Boston, Massachusetts in photography and a Master's degree from the University of North Texas in Denton. Huckaby has exhibited at the Contemporary Arts Center (PhotoNOLA) in New Orleans, Louisiana, The Amon Carter Museum in Fort Worth, Texas, The Camden Palace Hotel in Cork City, Ireland, Anzerberger Gallery in Vienna, Austria, Houston Art League, Texas, Dallas Contemporary, the Galveston Arts Center at Galveston, Texas, Renaissance Fine Art in Harlem, New York, New York curated by DeborahWillis, PhD; the McKenna Museum in New Orleans, and the Dallas African-American Museum. Public projects include a piece along the Trinity River in Fort Worth at the 4th street trail-head site, and at the new Ella Mae Shamblee branch library in Fort Worth, Texas. Upcoming exhibitions include Ephemera Obscura at the Contemporary Arts Center New Orleans and Featured artist at Grand Rapids Art Museum for ArtPrize 9.

# CURRICULUM VITAE EDUCATION

2010 DENTON, TX MFA in Photography University of North Texas

2010 PHILADELPHIA, PA Brandywine Workshop – Artist Residency

2007 BOYKIN, AL Gee's Bend – Artist Residency Under the tutelage of Lucy Mingo, a Gee's Bend quilter

2001 BOSTON, MA BFA in Photography Art Institute of Boston @ Lesley

1994 NORMAN, OK BA in Journalism University of Oklahoma

### CURRICULUM VITAE ONE AND TWO PERSON SHOWS

2015 DALLAS, TX

Bayou Baroque Liliana Bloch Gallery

2015 VINCENNES, IN Folktales
Shircliff Gallery Art at Vincennes University

2015 DALLAS, TX Letitia Huckaby Brookhaven College

2013 DALLAS, TX Letitia Huckaby: Bygone Kirk Hopper Fine Art

2013 EASTON, MA Everyday Glory: Sedrick and Letitia Huckaby Cushing-Martin Gallery

Stonehill College

2013 ARLINGTON, TX Redress

Southeast Art Corridor Galleries Tarrant County College

2012 DALLAS, TX

Bygone

Kirk Hopper Fine Art

2012 FAYETTEVILLE, AR My Folklore: The Art of Letitia Huckaby

Walton Arts Center

2012 ODESSA, TX Flour Girls: Letitia Huckaby, Recent Works

Ellen Noël Art Museum

2012 IRVING, TX Me, We: A Portrayal of the Fibers of Life Letitia & Sedrick Huckaby

Irving Arts Center

### CURRICULUM VITAE ONE AND TWO PERSON SHOWS

2012 HOUSTON, TX Family Ties: Matt Adams and Letitia Huckaby

Next Wall Gallery

2010 NEW ORLEANS, LA Letitia Huckaby PhotoNOLA

The Mckenna Museum of African-American Art

2010 DALLAS, TX Something Old. Something New.

Dallas Contemporary

2010 GALVESTON, TX Letitia Huckaby: LA 19 (Daughters of God)

Galveston Arts Center

2010 DALLAS, TX Letitia Huckaby: LA 19 (Daughters of God)

Arthello Beck Gallery South Dallas Cultural Center

2008 HOUSTON, TX Look What a Woman's Got

FotoFest

Project Row Houses

2007 FORT WORTH, TX Fort Worth Public Art Showcase: Letitia Huckaby

Fort Worth Community Arts Center

2000 - PRESENT BOSTON, MA Syncopation

Documentary project on permanent display at Wally's Jazz Cafe

2017 ARLINGTON, TX MAKING WAVES/MOVING MINDS

2015 DALLAS, TX And They Papered The Walls Liliana Bloch Gallery

2014 DALLAS, TX Domestic Partnership Liliana Bloch Gallery

2014 TYLER, TX Flow into the Mystic: Marriage and the Contemporary Artist Tyler Museum of Art

2014 DALLAS, TX Summer School Liliana Bloch Gallery

2014 TACOMA, WA

Race and Pedagogy: From the Brandywine Workshop Collins Memorial Library

University of Puget Sound Speaker: Angela Davis

2014 SAN ANTONIO, TX Her America: A Collection of Works by African American Female Visual Artists

Carver Community Cultural Center

2014 FORT WORTH, TX Auto-Biography: Artists (Re)Writing and Telling Histories

WoCA Projects

2014 DALLAS, TX reconfigured Haggerty Art Gallery University of Dallas

2014 DALLAS, TX Couples: Half and Half Bath House Cultural Center

2014 FORT WORTH, TX Lenora Rolla Heritage Center Museam

2014 VIENNA, AUSTRIA

Handmade Anzenberger Gallery

2013 SAN ANTONIO, TX Texas Biennial Blue Star Contemporary Art Museum

2013 DALLAS, TX Aurora Art Festival Arts District

2013 DALLAS, TX

Mountain View College

2013 DALLAS, TX This is What I Think Bath House Cultural Center

2013 DALLAS, TX

Recollect

The Public Trust in conjunction with Liliana Bloch Gallery

2013 DALLAS, TX Side Affects Liliana Bloch Gallery

2013 BALTIMORE, MD Story Book Poem West North Fifth Gallery Rhode Island School of Design

2013 FORT COLLINS, CO Stories, Memories and Histories The Center for Fine Art Photography

2013 PHILADELPHIA. PA Art and Reflection: New Narratives and Reinterpretations Brandywine Workshop

2013 FORT WORTH, TX African American Heritage Event Tarrant County College Trinity River Campus

2012 CORK CITY, IRELAND post SCRIPT Curated by Peggy Sue Amison, Camden Palace Hotel

2012 BEAUMONT, TX Espoused Art Museum of Southeast Texas

2012 DALLAS, TX Mahalia: Queen of Gospel Music African American Museum Dallas

2011 DALLAS, TX The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks: A Response by African-American Artist Mountain View College

2011 NEW ORLEANS, LA

Mahalia Stella Jones Gallery

2011 HOUSTON, TX Every Day Use: The Origins of African American Quilt Making The African American Library at the Gregory School

2011 FORT WORTH, TX Trinity Perspectives II: Past and Present Botanical Research Institute of Texas

2011 DALLAS, TX Generations: Annette Lawrence, Vicki Meek, Letitia Huckaby, Anita Knox, Marilu Gruben and Valerie Gillespie Dallas African American Museum of Art

2010 HARLEM, NY Girl Talk: Narratives by Eight Women Artists Renaissance Fine Art Gallery Curators: Deborah Willis, PhD and M. Liz Andrews

2010 NEW ORLEANS, LA The American Dream New Orleans Photo Alliance Curator: Deborah Willis, PhD

2010 DENTON, TX Distill(ed)

Cora Stafford Gallery - University of North Texas

2009 WWW.MANHATTANARTS.COM Celebrate HerStory 2009 Curators: Renee Philips and Janice Sands

2008 DALLAS, TX Sistahs on the Horizon: African Diaspora Emerging Women Artists South Dallas Cultural Center

2007 FORT WORTH, TX Art in the Metroplex Texas Christian University

Curator: Michael Duncan, Corresponding Editor For Art in America

2007 HOUSTON, TX Art At the Two Story: 2007 Emerging Artist Summer Exhibition Project Row Houses

2007 FORT WORTH, TX Akwaaba (ah-kwah-bah) Fort Worth Central Library

2007 FORT WORTH, TX Walk a Mile In Her Shoes: A Commentary Art Exhibition & Silent Auction Curator: Anitra Blayton Fort Worth Central Library Gallery

#### CURRICULUM VITAE TEACHING

2011 DENTON, TX

University of North Texas: Senior Studio

2011 - 2012 FORT WORTH, TX Tarrant County Community College: Photo II

#### CURRICULUM VITAE AWARDS

**2010** Juror's Choice Award In The American Dream Exhibition

Third Prize Curator: Deborah Willis, PhD

2009 Service Award with website designer Paul Backalenick

2008 Outstanding Graduate in Studio Art Award

2008 Mozelle Rawson Brown Scholarship

2008 Hunting Art Prize Finalist

2007 Fort Worth Art Dealers Association Award

2nd Place Art in the Metroplex

**2007** The J. Robert Egar Scholarship in Photography

University of North Texas

#### CURRICULUM VITAE PUBLICATIONS AND PRESS

SEPTEMBER 2017 40 Acres...Gumbo Ya Ya exhibition featured on moderndallas.tv segment

September 24, 2017

SEPTEMBER 2017 ModernDallas.net, Art Section, 40 Acres... "Gumbo Ya Ya Letitia Huckaby at

Liliana Bloch Gallery," by Todd Camplin

SEPTEMBER 2017 Dallas.CultureMap.com, Events Section, "Liliana Bloch Gallery presents Letitia

Huckaby: "40 Acres Gumbo Ya Ya" opening reception"

**SEPTEMBER 2017** DallasObserver.com, Events Section, "Letitia Huckaby: 40 Acres Gumbo Ya Ya,"

by Jennifer Davis-Lamm

SEPTEMBER 2017 PatronMagazine.com, Contemporaries Section, "Everyone Talks at Once:

Letitia Huckaby at Lliana Bloch Gallery"

JULY/AUGUST 2013 DMagazine Gallery Talk, On The Town/ by Lucia Simek, July/August

JUNE 2013 "In the Studio: Ascendant Visualists" Queen of photography, purveyor of

fabric laced with history: Letitia Huckaby PaperCity Magazine. Home + Art Issue, Dallas. Fashion Editor Kate Stukenberg and Arts Editor Catherine D.

Anspon.

2012 "SuperMassiveBlackHole" online photography magazine. Issue 11 "Picturing

You." Dublin, Ireland.

2012 "Mahalia: Queen of Gospel Music" Exhibition Catalog. Traveling Exhibition

from Stella Jones Gallery, New Orleans, LA to African American Museum of

Dallas, Dallas, TX. Page 54.

SEPTEMBER 2011 George Eastman House 2011 Benefit Auction Catalogue. Page 51.

#### CURRICULUM VITAE PUBLICATION AND PRESS

JUNE 2011 "Generations: A Women's Conversation," by curator Emmanuel Gillespie.

Dallas African American Museum. Exhibition Catalogue.

MAY 2011 "Priorities & Persistence," by Christy Crytzer Pierce. National Endowment for

the Arts Magazine. 2011, Number 1. Page 10-13, continued inside back cover.

FEBRUARY 2011 "10 Most Exciting Photographers/Projects I Learned About This Year."

By Mary Virginia Swanson at the Phoenix Art Museum.

AUGUST 2010 The Philadelphia Tribune

"Brandywine artist explores 'contemporary fairy tale,"

by Bobbi Booker, Page 8-B.

MAY 2010 "Galveston Monthly," Page 30. "Glasstire: Texas Visual Art Online"

MAY 2010 "Glasstire: Texas Visual Art Online"

MAY 2010 "The Daily News" Saturday, May 29th.

**MAY 2010** "Houston Press" May 27-June 2, 2010 Volume 22, Number 22.

MAY 2010 "The Parrot." Galveston Island Arts. "Letitia Huckaby: LA 19 (Daughters of

God) by Rachel Wiley.

APRIL 2010 "D Magazine." FrontRow Section. "Letitia and Sedrick Huckaby: An Artist

Couple Reaches into Shared Memory for Inspiration."by Peter Simek.

# **CURRICULUM VITAE**PUBLICATION AND PRESS

APRIL 2010 "Letitia Huckaby: LA 19 (Daughters of God)"

GuidryNews.Com, Features Section.

MARCH 2010 KERA Art & Seek: Studio Tour. "Letitia Huckaby."

Filmed and written by Cindy Chaffin

#### CURRICULUM VITAE LECTURES AND DISCUSSIONS

MAY 2014 FORT WORTH, TX Afternoon Tea @ WoCA Invited Guest Speaker

MARCH 2014 DALLAS, TX "Re-imagining Art in Dallas, A Creative Conversation with Mayor Mike Rawlings." Dallas City Performance Hall

NOVEMBER 2012 DALLAS, TX "Impressionable: Printmaking Techniques and Innovations."

Contemporary Art Dealers of Dallas, Dallas, TX Moderator: John Taylor

Moderator: Mayor Mike Rawlings

MARCH 2012 DALLAS, TX "My Sisters & Me: Sisterhood of the Traveling Lenses"

Invited Guest Speaker

DECEMBER 2010 NEW ORLEANS, LA "Six Shooters," Contemporary Arts Center Moderator: Dan Cameron

AUGUST 2010 PHILADELPHIA, PA "New Narratives and Reinterpretation," Brandywine Workshop Moderator: Keith Morrison

### CURRICULUM VITAE COLLECTIONS

WASHINGTON D.C. Library of Congress

**BEAUMONT, TX** Art Museum of Southeast Texas

**DALLAS, TX** African American Museum of Dallas

**CLAREMONT, CA**Samella Lewis Contemporary Art Collection

Scripps College

PHILADELPHIA, PA Brandywine Workshop

FORT WORTH, TX City of Fort Worth

Ella Mae Shamblee Branch Library

FORT WORTH, TX Streams and Valleys

4th Street Trailhead Site

NEW ORLEANS, LA Dorian Bennett

FORT WORTH, TX Dr. Charles Langham

**BOSTON, MA** Wally's Jazz Café

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DALLAS, TX

Claude Albritton III

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