

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Education:

1994 Ph.D. University of California, San Diego
1992 M.A. University of California, San Diego
1987 B.A. Stanford University

Selected Exhibitions (* denotes solo show):

- 2011 "Paducah Photo 2011." Juror: Karen Irvine. June 18-July 30. Yeiser Art Center, Paducah, Kentucky.
- 2011 "Voyeur: See and Be Seen." June 25- July 5. Brooklyn Artists Gym, Brooklyn, New York.
- 2011 *Images for Isaac Lowery*. February 3-28. Hardee Center for the Arts, North Florida Community College, Madison, Florida.
- 2011 "Intimacy." Juror: Andrea Green. February 2-26. ARC Gallery, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2010 "All Aboard! Riding the Rails." Photostop Gallery, White River Junction, Vermont.
- 2010 "Propaganda!" Desotorow Gallery, Savannah, Georgia.
- 2009 "Censored." Georgia College and State University Museum, Milledgeville, Georgia.
- 2009 "F3." Mad Art Gallery, St. Louis, Missouri.
- 2006 "Domestic Details." Chemeketa Community College Art Gallery, Salem, Oregon.
- *2005 *Economies of Happiness; Hey, Little Man; Ruth Dedman's Fabulous Dance Revue*. Saint Louis University Museum of Art, St. Louis, Missouri.
- 2004-2005 "Showcase 3: St. Louis Photography and Video Invitational." Curator: Olivia Lahs-Gonzales. The Sheldon Art Galleries, St. Louis, Missouri.
- *2002 *Maintaining a Life*. Gallery 1101, Department of Cinema and Photography, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Illinois.
- 2000 "Genealogies, Miscegenations, Missed Generations." Curator: Erin Valentino. The William Benton Museum of Art, University of Connecticut, Storrs, Connecticut.
- *1999 *Fragments from a Family Album*. Exit Gallery, University of Nevada, Reno.

- 1999 Soho Photo Gallery 1999 National Photography Competition. Juror: Adam Weinberg. Soho Photo Gallery, New York, New York.
- *1998 *Fragments from a Family Album*. Relay Zone Gallery, Kansas City Art Institute, Kansas City, Missouri.
- *1998 *Fragments from a Family Album*. FotoCircle Gallery, Seattle, Washington.
- 1997 *Fragments from a Family Album*. Fine Art Gallery, Tucson Jewish Community Center, Tucson, Arizona.
- 1996 "Searching for Ground: Reconfiguring the Family Album." Workspace Gallery, University of Colorado, Boulder.
- 1996 "Selections." Barksdale Gallery, Tucson, Arizona.
- 1995 Camera Works 1 Juried Exhibition. Juror: Miguel Gandert. Ruth Ramberg Gallery, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Selected Publications, Artwork:

- 2010 Violence, Visual Culture, and the Black Male Body, by Cassandra Jackson (Routledge).
- 2010 Representing Segregation: The Aesthetics of Living Jim Crow, and Other Kinds of Racial Division, eds. Brian Norman and Piper Kendrix Williams (New York: SUNY Press) 11, 12, 40, 90, 164, 220.
- 2009 On Site 22 (2009): 24.
- 2008 African American Review 42:1 (Spring 2008): 41-46.
- 2007 F-News online, "Art Politique."
- 2006 Cover, and pages 112-113, Women Writing Women, eds. Patricia Hart, Karen Weathermon, and Susan H. Armitage, University of Nebraska Press.
- 2000 Art New England 21:4 (August/September).
- 2000 Catalogue, Genealogies, Miscegenations, Missed Generations. The William Benton Museum of Art, University of Connecticut.
- 1998 Cover, and pages 12-13, Frontiers: A Journal of Women Studies 19:3 (Winter).
- 1997 Cover, Camerawork: A Journal of Photographic Arts 24:1 (Spring/Summer).

Curatorial Work:

- 2002-2006 *Photography on the Color Line*. Pius XII Memorial Library, Saint Louis University, St. Louis, Missouri.

Selected Scholarly Publications:

Books:

- Pictures and Progress: Early Photography and the Making of African American Identity. Co-edited with Maurice Wallace. Duke University Press, forthcoming.
- 2007 Lynching Photographs. Co-authored with Dora Apel. Volume 2, *Defining Moments in American Photography.* Ed. Anthony Lee. University of California Press.
- 2004 Photography on the Color Line: W. E. B. Du Bois, Race, and Visual Culture. Duke University Press. A John Hope Franklin Center Book. Reprinted 2005. Phi Beta Kappa Book Award, 2005, Saint Louis University.
- 1999 American Archives: Gender, Race, and Class in Visual Culture. Princeton University Press.

Articles and Essays:

- 2009 "Obama's Whiteness." Questionnaire on Barack Obama. Journal of Visual Culture 8:2 (August): 129-133.
- 2009 "Laying Claim to the Land(scape): Chansonetta Stanley Emmons (1858-1937)." Legacy: A Journal of American Women Writers 26:2, 346-369.
- 2009 "Race and Reproduction in Camera Lucida." Photography: Theoretical Snapshots. Eds. Jonathan Long, Andrea Noble, and Edward Welch. Routledge. 98-111.
Reprinted in Photography Degree Zero, ed. Geoffrey Batchen, MIT Press, 243-258.
- 2007 "Second-Sight: Du Bois and the Black Masculine Gaze." Next to the Color Line: Gender, Sexuality, and W. E. B. Du Bois. Eds. Susan Gillman and Alys Eve Weinbaum. University of Minnesota Press. 350-377.
- 2006 "Afterimages: White Womanhood, Lynching, and the War in Iraq." Special Issue: Strange Fruit: Lynching, Visuality, and Empire. Nka: Journal of Contemporary African Art. Number 20 (Fall): 72-85.
- 2006 "The Half of Whiteness." Special Issue on Photography and Literature. Forum on Photography and Race. English Language Notes 44:2 (Fall/Winter): 189-194.
- 2000 "'Looking at One's Self Through the Eyes of Others': W. E. B. Du Bois's Photographs for the 1900 Paris Exposition." African American Review 34:4: 581-599.
Reprinted in The Souls of Black Folk, One Hundred Years Later, ed. Dolan Hubbard, University of Missouri Press, 2003, 189-217. Paperback edition 2007.
- 1999 "Photographing the 'American Negro': Nation, Race, and Photography at the Paris Exposition of 1900." With Other Eyes: Looking at Race and Gender in Visual Culture. Ed. Lisa Bloom. University of Minnesota Press. 58-87.

Reprinted in Looking for America: The Visual Production of Nation and People, ed. Ardis Cameron, Blackwell, 2004, 61-93.

- 1998 "'Baby's Picture is Always Treasured': Eugenics and the Reproduction of Whiteness in the Family Photograph Album." The Yale Journal of Criticism 11:1 (Spring): 197-220.

Reprinted in The Nineteenth-Century Visual Culture Reader, eds. Vanessa R. Schwartz and Jeannene M. Przyblyski, Routledge, 2004, 358-370.

Selected Fellowships:

Tanner Humanities Center, University of Utah, Visiting Research Fellowship, 2001-2002.
Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture, Irene Diamond Foundation Fellowship, 1999-2000.

Center for the Humanities, Oregon State University, Visiting Research Fellowship, 1998-1999.

Editorial Boards and Collectives:

Journal of Photography and Culture, 2008-.

American Literature, official journal of the American Literature Section of the Modern Language Association, 2006-2008.

Frontiers: A Journal of Women Studies, 1997-2002.

Selected Professional Papers:

Keynote Lectures and Plenary Presentations:

- 2011 "On Seeing and Not Seeing: Photography and Visual Culture." Paper presented 25 March, Visual Culture Plenary Panel, Cultural Studies Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2010 "Photography on the Color Line: W. E. B. Du Bois's Photographs for the 1900 Paris Exposition." 8 October, Autograph ABP, Rivington Place, London, England.
- 2009 "Photography Between Desire and Grief: Roland Barthes and F. Holland Day." 17 October, Feeling Photography Conference, University of Toronto, Canada.
- 2009 "Laying Claim to the Land(scape): Chansonetta Stanley Emmons." 21 March, Great Lakes American Studies Association Conference, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Indiana.
- 2008 "The Politics of Pictorialism: Race and Eroticism in the Photographs of F. Holland Day." 6 November, Photography and the Technologies of Empire and Race Conference, Visual Culture Center, University of Wisconsin, Madison.
- 2008 "Seeing Sexuality: Another Look at F. Holland Day." 12 April, Constructed Light, Constructed Meanings Visual Culture Graduate Student Conference, St. Louis, Missouri.

- 2005 "Race and Reproduction in *Camera Lucida*." 8 July, Thinking Photography -- Again Conference, Durham Centre for Advanced Photography Studies, Hatfield College, University of Durham, Durham, England.
- 2000 "Photography on the Color Line: W. E. B. Du Bois and the 1900 Paris Exposition." 26 October, African American Literature and Culture Society Meeting, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Invited Papers and Presentations:

- 2011 "Augustus Washington and the Civil Contract of Photography." Paper presented 6 April, Faculty-Graduate Seminar, Center for African American Studies, Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey.
- 2011 "Images for Isaac Lowery." Artist's talk presented 24 February, North Florida Community College, Madison, Florida.
- 2011 "Augustus Washington and the Civil Contract of Photography." Lecture delivered 15 February, Humanities Research Center, Rice University, Houston, Texas.
- 2011 "Photography on the Color Line." 2011 W. E. B. Du Bois Lecture delivered 10 February, George Mason University, Fairfax, Virginia.
- 2010 "Augustus Washington and the Civil Contract of Photography." 14 October, Cultural Studies Colloquium, Columbia College, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2010 "Laying Claim to the Land(scape): Chansonetta Stanley Emmons." 27 May, Maine Historical Society, Portland, Maine.
- 2010 "The Evidence of Lynching Photographs." 6 April, Freedom Center, National Underground Railroad Museum, Cincinnati, Ohio.
- 2010 "Augustus Washington and the Civil Contract of Photography." 25 March, Art History Lecture Series, University of Texas, Austin.
- 2009 "The Politics of Pictorialism: Race and Erotics in the Photographs of F. Holland Day." 6 October, Institute for Research on Women and Gender, Columbia University, New York, New York.
- 2009 "Seeing Sexuality and Race in the Photographs of F. Holland Day, 1890-1910." 24 September, Department of History, Northern Illinois University, Dekalb, Illinois.
- 2009 "Imag(in)ing Race and Nation: Augustus Washington and the Photographic Encounter." 3 July, Visual Cultures – Transatlantic Perspectives Conference, Bavarian American Academy, Munich, Germany.
- 2009 "Photographing Photography: Chansonetta Stanley Emmons." 12 June, Women in the Archives -- Maine Women Writers Collection 50th Anniversary Symposium, University of New England, Portland, Maine.

- 2009 "The Politics of Pictorialism: Another Look at F. Holland Day." Alumni Lecture, 14 May, Department of Literature, University of California, San Diego.
- 2009 "Seeing Sexuality: Another Look at F. Holland Day." 20 March, Bentley Historical Library, Visual Culture Workshop, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.
- 2008 "Seeing Sexuality: Another Look at F. Holland Day." 11 November, Department of English Colloquium, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky.
- 2007 "The Evidence of Lynching Photographs." 27 September, Centre for the Study of the United States, Munk Centre for International Studies, University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada.
- 2007 "The Evidence of Lynching Photographs." 22 February, American Seminar, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island.
- 2007 "Afterimages of Abu Ghraib: Remembering the Woman in the Pictures." 10 February, Abu Ghraib: The Pornography of Warfare Symposium, University of Illinois, Chicago.
- 2006 "The Evidence of Lynching Photographs." 22 September, Spectacular Fictions: Race and Visual Culture Conference, University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland.
- 2006 "The Evidence of Lynching Photographs." 25 April, Beinecke Library, Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut.
- 2006 "Studying Photography and Race." Seminar co-lead with Maurice Wallace, 25 April, Photography and Memory Workshop, Beinecke Library, Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut.
- 2006 "The Evidence of Lynching Photographs." 8 February, University of Northern Colorado, Greeley, Colorado.
- 2005 "Girls on Film." 7 December, Lunch and Learn lecture series, Contemporary Art Museum St. Louis, St. Louis, Missouri.
- 2005 "Lynching and Photography." 19 November, African American History Series, Missouri Historical Society, St. Louis, Missouri.
- 2005 "Race and Reproduction in Camera Lucida." 23 September, Department of English Colloquium, University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri.
- 2005 "Uncontrollable Archives: The Visual Culture of the War in Iraq." 7 April, American Studies Colloquium, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey.
- 2005 "Uncontrollable Archives: The Visual Culture of the War in Iraq." 1 April, College of Mass Communication and Media Arts Colloquium, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Illinois.
- 2004 "Uncontrollable Archives: The Visual Culture of the War in Iraq." 17 September, Gender in the Archive Workshop, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

- 2004 "Photography on the Color Line." 21 April, Material Culture/Visual Culture working group, David C. Driskell Center, University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland.
- 2004 "Photography on the Color Line." 16 February, John Hope Franklin Center, Duke University, Durham, North Carolina.
- 2003 "Nursing the Nation: The 1930s Public Health Nurse as Image and Icon." 16 October, Visual Culture and Public Health Symposium, National Library of Medicine, Bethesda, Maryland.
- 2002 "The Visual Culture of the Color Line." 5 April, New Work in 19th-Century American Literature and Culture lecture series, Department of English, University of California, Davis.
- 2000 "Spectacles of White Supremacy." 14 May, Lynching and the Cultures of the United States panel, New York Metropolitan American Studies Association, New York Historical Society, in conjunction with the exhibition "Without Sanctuary: Lynching Photography in America."

Conference Papers and Presentations:

- 2009 "Augustus Washington and the Civil Contract of Photography." 6 November, roundtable panel Visual Citizenship: Visual Culture and American Studies, Annual Meeting of the American Studies Association, Washington, D.C.
- 2008 "Framing Photographic Evidence." 18 October, Framing Visual Evidence: The Position of Visual and Popular Culture in American Studies, Breakfast Forum sponsored by the Graduate Students' Committee at the Annual Meeting of the American Studies Association, Albuquerque, New Mexico.
- 2006 Roundtable presentation, 12 October, "Moving Images: Transnational Circuits of Race and Photography," Annual Meeting of the American Studies Association, Oakland, California.
- 2004 "Race and the Optical Unconscious." 11 March, The Photograph: An International Interdisciplinary Conference, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Canada.
- 2001 "Spectacles of Whiteness." 28 December, Annual Meeting of the Modern Language Association, New Orleans, Louisiana.
- 2001 "Photography on the Color Line: W. E. B. Du Bois's Photographs for the 1900 Paris Exposition." 20 April, Annual Meeting of the Interdisciplinary Nineteenth-Century Studies Association, Eugene, Oregon.
- 2001 "Between the Archive and the Album: On Photographs and Function." 2 March, Annual Meeting of the College Art Association, Chicago, Illinois.
- 1999 "Double Consciousness and Second-Sight." 29 October, Annual Meeting of the American Studies Association, Montreal, Quebec.