

[CFP: Image and Identity: Representing Texas, the Lower South, and the Southwest before 1900](#)

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Call for Papers

Date:

September 15, 2022

Location:

Texas, United States

Subject Fields:

Art, Art History & Visual Studies, American History / Studies, Local History, African American History / Studies, Indigenous Studies

Bayou Bend is accepting proposals for papers on the relationship between imagery and identity in material culture and visual art in pre-1900 Texas, the Lower South, and the Southwest, to be presented at the 2023 David B. Warren Symposium. The ninth biennial symposium explores how images created in and of Texas, the Lower South, and the Southwest constructed, represented, dismantled, or concealed the identity of the people who lived there. Subjects could include, but are not limited to, makers or consumers of imagery; reproduction of images in various media; intended or received messaging; absences or gaps in imagery. Papers that explore Black, Brown, and Indigenous histories, identities, and images are of special interest. Proposals focusing on Texas and those presenting previously unpublished research receive particular consideration. Papers are published in the symposium proceedings in 2024.

Participants are invited to submit a 300-word abstract proposal for a paper to be presented as an illustrated oral lecture 25 or 50 minutes in length. A current CV should accompany the abstract, and a suggested presentation length should be included. In general, 25-minute lectures are more appropriate for emerging scholars, and 50-minute lectures are appropriate for senior scholars. Proposals are due to Bayou Bend by September 15, 2022. Those whose papers are accepted receive transportation expenses, an honorarium for speaking, and a fee for preparing their manuscript for publication.

The overall theme of the symposium series is "American Material Culture and the Texas Experience." The goal is an ongoing forum that examines pre-1900 Texas, as well as the Lower South and Southwest, through the lens of American material culture.

More Information

To ask questions and submit papers, contact warrensymposium@mfah.org via email.

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