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Women Photographers International Archive (WOPHA) Announces the 2024 WOPHA Congress Programming Highlights

October 23-26, 2024

Pérez Art Museum Miami (PAMM) and various locations across South Florida

Register now for the WOPHA Congress in-person or virtual.

September 4, 2024 (Miami, Florida) – Women Photographers International Archive (WOPHA), in partnership with the **Pérez Art Museum Miami (PAMM)**, is pleased to present the second edition of the WOPHA Congress, a creative convening and exhibition series, taking place across South Florida, titled **“How Photography Teaches Us to Live Now,”** happening from October 23 - 26, 2024. Conceptualized by Latinx art historian and curator **Aldeide Delgado**, the Congress presents the indelible contribution of women and non-binary photographers in contemporary art and explores how we can pioneer new approaches to foster photography education.

The Congress programming opens to the public on Wednesday, October 23rd with the **WOPHA Assembly: Technologies of Companionship**, held at and in partnership with the **Norton Museum of Art**, which will provide participants with opportunities for networking, discussing best teaching practices, and examining the role of educational institutions in society. Among the representatives from women’s photography organizations attending are **Laylah Amatullah Barrayn**, Co-founder of MFON: Women Photographers of the African Diaspora (USA), **Anna Fox**, Co-founder of Fast Forward: Women in Photography (UK), and **Velia de la Cruz**, Founder of Fotógrafas del Norte (Mexico).

On Thursday, October 24th, the day begins with three, bilingual (English/Spanish) **photowalks** led by South Florida women photographers **Clara Toro**, **Rose Marie Cromwell**, and **Nicole Combeau**, throughout Miami. Following the photowalks, the **WOPHA Congress** at **PAMM** kicks off with a group portfolio review session. The program brings together leading photography experts from South Florida and beyond, including **Noelle Flores Théard**, Senior Digital Photo Editor at The New Yorker, **Verónica Sanchis Bencomo**, Founder and Curator of Foto Féminas and Photo Editor at The New York Times, and **Éline Gourgues**, Co-director and Curator of La Station Culturelle, Fort de France, Martinique. The evening will conclude in the

main auditorium at PAMM with welcoming remarks by **Sarah Meister**, Executive Director of Aperture Foundation, and panel discussions with South Florida and national preeminent artists such as **Silvia Lizama**, **Maria Martínez Cañas**, **Susan Meiselas**, and **Wendy Ewald**.

The WOPHA Congress continues the next day on Friday, October 25th with a series of panel discussions at PAMM with speakers from Japan, Canada, Spain, and Vietnam who will reflect on photography, ecology, and materiality. The event closing remarks will be offered by venerable artist, author and curator, **Deb Willis**. The day will conclude with the **WOPHA Congress Party**, an evening of music, networking, and celebration at the **JW Marriott Miami**.

During the 2024 WOPHA Congress, additional programs and exhibitions, including ***What They Saw: Historical Photobooks by Women Reading Room*** at the **Miami Dade Public Library** (Main Branch), as well as ***Women Photographers —Shared Documentary Narratives*** at the **HistoryMiami Museum**, will be on view throughout Miami and will continue to be on view during Miami Art Week and run through 2025.

Entry to the Congress at PAMM is free with RSVP. American Sign Language interpretation and live translations to Spanish and Creole will be available at PAMM and the Congress will be accessible online via livestream on PAMM's YouTube channel. For more information, please visit <https://wophacongress.org/>

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22

6:30 pm – 7:30 pm: **“Visual Epistolary Diaries” Opening reception** presented by Tout-Monde Art Foundation in collaboration with La Station Culturelle, in partnership with Atlantic Arthouse.

Location: JW Marriott Marquis Miami

Tickets: Free

7:30 pm – 10:00 pm: **WOPHA Congress Welcoming Dinner —Honoring Susan Meiselas**

Location: JW Marriott Marquis Miami

Tickets: \$1,000 - \$2,500 per person - <https://givebutter.com/congressdinner>

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23

2:00 pm - 4:30 pm: **WOPHA Assembly: “Technologies of Companionship”**

Location: Norton Museum of Art

Tickets: \$18.00 museum admission / Free for WOPHA Members* - <https://rb.gy/mhv350>

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm: **“No Looking Back” Opening Reception**

Location: Girls' Club

Tickets: \$15.00 - \$30.00 / Free for WOPHA Members - <https://rb.gy/hbcjyZ>

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24

8:30 am – 10:30 am: **WOPHA Photowalks**

Location: Wynwood, Miami Design District, Downtown Miami

Tickets: Free (Sponsored by MPB) - <https://rb.gy/mb2yok>

11:15 am - 8:45 pm: **WOPHA Congress at PAMM**

Location: Pérez Art Museum Miami

Tickets: Free with registration - <https://shorturl.at/HnZl2> (For events at PAMM, a one-time registration is required to attend all events at this location over the two days free of cost.)

Group Portfolio Review Session - 11:15 am - 1:30 pm

Location: Learning Auditorium

Networking Lunch - 1:45 pm - 2:50 pm

Location: Verde Restaurant

Panel Discussions - 3:00 pm - 8:45 pm

Location: Main Auditorium

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

9:00 am - 10:30 am: **Congress Breakfast and “Atlas of Imagined Ecologies” exhibition tour**

Location: Green Space Miami

Tickets: Free

11:15 am - 5:50 pm: **WOPHA Congress at PAMM**

Location: Pérez Art Museum Miami

Tickets: Free - <https://shorturl.at/HnZl2>

Panel Discussions (Morning session) - 11:15 am - 12:55 pm

Location: Main Auditorium

Networking Lunch - 12:55 pm - 2:30 pm

Location: Verde Restaurant

Panel Discussions (Afternoon session) - 2:30 pm - 5:50 pm

Location: Main Auditorium

8:00 pm - 11:30 pm: **WOPHA Congress Party**

Location: JW Marriott Miami

Tickets: \$25 - \$50 / Free for WOPHA Members* - <https://rb.gy/f4gtqe>

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26

8:00 am – 9:00 am: **Yoga Class**

Location: JW Marriott Miami

Tickets: \$25 / Free for WOPHA Members - <https://rb.gy/3fa3ja>

10:00 am – 10:30 am: ***What They Saw: Historical Photobooks by Women Reading Room***

Location: Miami Dade Public Library (Main Branch)

Tickets : Free

10:45 am – 12:15 pm: **Foto Feminas Mobile Library Performance**

Location: Miami Dade Public Library (Main Branch)

Tickets : Free

12:30 pm – 3:00 pm: ***Women Photographers —Shared Documentary Narratives Opening reception and panel discussion***

Location: HistoryMiami Museum

Tickets : Free

The 2024 WOPHA Congress is co-presented by Women Photographers International Archive (WOPHA) and Pérez Art Museum Miami (PAMM), and organized by the WOPHA team: **Aldeide Delgado, Francisco Maso**, Co-Founder and Creative Director, and **Amanda Bradley**, Associate Curator of Programming.

Lead support is provided by the **National Endowment for the Arts, Bechily - Hodes Family Foundation, Green Family Foundation, The Jorge M. Pérez Family Foundation** at The Miami Foundation, and Miami Downtown Development Authority.

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Additional support is provided by **Beth Rudin DeWoody** and **MPB**, the world's largest online platform for used photo and video equipment.

Cultural Partners include **HistoryMiami Museum, Norton Museum of Art, 10x10 Photobooks, The**

Betsy Hotel, El Espacio 23, PAMM's Caribbean Cultural Institute, Green Space Miami, Girls' Club, Miami-Dade Public Library System (Main Library), Miami-Dade Art In Public Places, Miami International Airport, Miami Design District, Palm Film Lab, Concept Aware, Maison de la Photographie de Guyane-Amazone, Foto Féminas, and Lucie Foundation.

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About WOPHA

Women Photographers International Archive (WOPHA) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization founded to research, promote, support, and educate on the contributions of women and non-binary photographers to modern and contemporary art in order to rewrite the artistic canon and provoke social change. WOPHA fosters a more diverse and equitable world by providing a permanent archive for future generations that preserves, documents, and promotes women photographers' work while being a driving force for innovative thinking and discussion about the role of women in photographic arts.

About Aldeide Delgado

Aldeide Delgado is a Cuban-born, Miami-based independent Latinx art historian and curator, founder & director of Women Photographers International Archive (WOPHA).

She has eight years of experience writing, curating, and presenting at art history forums centered around photography, including lectures at institutions such as the Tate Modern, The Clark Institute, the University of Pennsylvania, Pérez Art Museum Miami (PAMM), DePaul Art Museum, King's College London, California Institute of the Arts (CalArts), and The New School. Delgado is a recipient of the 2023 Ellies Creator Award, 2019 Knight Arts Challenge award, the 2018 School of Art Criticism Fellowship by SAPS - La Tallera, and the 2017 Research and Production of Critic Essay Fellowship by TEOR/ética. Delgado conceptualized the world's first-ever feminist photography collective conference, WOPHA Congress: Women, Photography, and Feminisms (November 17-20, 2021). She publishes and curates from feminist and decolonial perspectives on crucial topics of the history of photography and abstraction within Latin American, Caribbean, and Latinx contexts. She is also the author of "Becoming Sisters: Women Photography Collectives & Organizations" (2021). Prior to founding WOPHA, Delgado created the online feminist archive Catalog of Cuban Women Photographers, the first comprehensive survey of Cuban photography history highlighting women's contributions from the nineteenth century to the present. She is an active member of PAMM's International Women's Committee and PAMM's Latin American and Latinx Art Fund, US Latinx Art Forum, the Lucie Foundation Advisory Board, and the steering committees of the Feminist Art Coalition and Fast Forward: Women in Photography. Currently, she is pursuing an MA in Liberal Studies at Rutgers University.

About Pérez Art Museum Miami

Pérez Art Museum Miami (PAMM), led by Director Franklin Sirmans, promotes artistic expression and the exchange of ideas, advancing public knowledge and appreciation of art, architecture, and design, and reflecting the diverse community of its pivotal geographic location at the crossroads of the Americas. The 40-year-old South Florida institution, formerly known as Miami Art Museum (MAM), opened a new building, designed by world-renowned architects Herzog & de Meuron, on December 4, 2013, in

Downtown Miami's Maurice A. Ferré Park. The facility is a state-of-the-art model for sustainable museum design and progressive programming and features 200,000 square feet of indoor and outdoor program space with flexible galleries; shaded outdoor verandas; a waterfront restaurant and bar; a museum shop; and an education center with a library, media lab, and classroom spaces.

About JW Marriott Marquis Miami

Experience unparalleled luxury at JW Marriott Marquis Miami, nestled in the heart of Downtown Miami. Our recently renovated property offers 313 exquisitely designed guestrooms, including 56 luxurious suites, and boasts unique amenities such as Chef Daniel Boulud's Mediterranean gem, Boulud Sud restaurant. Offering a diverse setting for business, meeting, and pleasure travel pursuits, the 41-story hotel showcases 80,000 sq. ft. of versatile function space, including a 20,000 sq. ft. Grand Ballroom, along with a unique entertainment complex featuring an NBA-approved basketball arena, Mariano Bartolome Golf School, duckpin bowling, billiards, Enliven Spa, and more. Located at 255 Biscayne Boulevard Way, Miami, FL. Visit [JW Marriott Marquis Miami](#) for more information and bookings.

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