



El Paso Museum of Art to Celebrate Black History Month with Lecture

EL PASO, Texas – As part of Black History Month, the El Paso Museum of Art welcomes the public to enjoy a lecture and reception on the life of African-American artist, Jacob Lawrence at 2 p.m. on February 23 at the museum.

The event is related to the exhibition *Jacob Lawrence's: "Toussaint L'Ouverture" Series: The Haitian Revolution* that is on view through February 27 in the Peter and Margaret de Wetter Galley at the museum. The exhibition comes from the Collection of Harriet and Harmon Kelley and features 15 prints that Lawrence produced from his first series about the Haitian Revolution.

Art historian, Dr. Leslie King-Hammond will lead audiences through the world of Jacob Lawrence as he chronicled the lives and exploits of African American leaders and heroes. Dr. Leslie King-Hammond brings her experiences as an artist, curator and founding director of the Center for Race and Culture at the Maryland Institute College of Art to EPMA. Dr. King-Hammond produced many exhibitions and catalogues that include *Celebration: Myth and Ritual in African American Art* (Studio Museum, Harlem, 1982). In addition, she has also contributed an essay to *Over the Line: The Art and Life of Jacob Lawrence*, the definitive monograph on Jacob Lawrence.

Museum visitors can discover, learn, and consider Jacob Lawrence's skill at addressing racial inequality through image. For more information on the lecture, visit the El Paso Museum of Art at <https://epma.art/>.

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