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BLACKNESS IN DANCE



Ellsworth Ausby
Untitled, 1970
Painted wood
82 x 34 x 24 in.
Eric Firestone Gallery, New York



Eldren Bailey
Dancers, 1960s
Concrete, plaster, paint
29 1/2 × 29 × 17 in.
Whitney Museum of American Art, New York;
Purchase, with funds from the Katherine
Schmidt Shubert Purchase Fund E.2023.0980



Richmond Barthé

African Dancer, 1933

Plaster
42 ¾ x 16 7/8 x 14 ¼ in.

Whitney Museum of American Art, New York
33.53



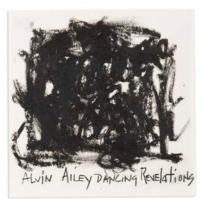
Barkley Hendricks

Dancer, 1977

Oil on canvas
47 7/8 x 36 in.

Collection of Jeff and Leslie Fischer









Jacob Lawrence

Figure Study, c. 1970
Ink and pencil on paper
24 x 18 in.
Collection of Beth Rudin DeWoody

Ralph Lemon

Alvin Ailey Dancing Revelations #3, 1999
Oil stick on paper
8 x 8 in.
Collection of the artist

Senga Nengudi

R.S.V.P., 1975

Nylon mesh and sand
82 ½ x 113 ½ x 4 ½ in.

The Museum of Contemporary Art Los Angeles; purchased with funds provided by the Acquisition and Collection Committee 2005.35

Senga Nengudi

Studio Performance with R.S.V.P., 1976 Gelatin silver print 30 x 40 in. Museum of Modern Art, New York 1120.2014









John Outterbridge

The Elder, Ethnic Heritage series, 1971–72
Wooden hat forms, fabric, wooden beads, twine, metal, paint, human hair
28 ½ x 11 7/8 11 3/8 in.
Whitney Museum of American Art, New York; purchase, with funds from David Cancel and an anonymous donor 2022.189

Jennifer Packer
Not Yet Titled, 2024
Oil on canvas
57 x 55 in.
Collection of the artist

Lorna Simpson
Momentum, 2011
2-channel video installation, color, sound
6:56 min. (looped)
Collection of the artist

Blaise Tobia

Ellsworth Ausby studio rehearsal, 1978 Archival inkjet print Image: 6 x 9 in.; Sheet: 8 ½ x 11 in. Collection of the artist



Blaise Tobia

Documentation of Ellsworth Ausby performance, Union Square, 1978 Archival inkjet print Image: 6 x 9 in., Sheet: 8 ½ x 11 in. Collection of the artist



Kandis Williams

Black Box, 4 points: Horton, Ailey, McKayle contractions and expansions of drama from vernacular — arms outstretched and entangle, 2021

Xerox collage and ink on paper
Unframed: 41 ½ x 29 ½ in., Framed: 44 5/8 x 32 5/8 x 2 7/8 in.

Mohn Family Collection



Lynette Yiadom-Boakye

A Knave Made Manifest, 2024 Oil on linen 78 ¾ x 70 ¾ in. Collection of the artist



Lynette Yiadom-Boakye

Fly Trap, 2024
Oil on canvas
Diptych; 78 ¾ x 51 in. each
Collection of the artist





James Van Der Zee

Dancer, 1925 Gelatin silver print Sheet: 8 x 5 in.

Image: 6 ¾ x 4 15/16 in.

Whitney Museum of American Art, New York;

gift of an anonymous donor 2001.38

Purvis Young Love Dance, 1991 Housepaint on mylar, mounted on wood, with wood frame 96 ½ x 43 in. Souls Grown Deep Foundation

SOUTHERN IMAGINARY



Kevin Beasley
Haze, 2023
Polyurethane resin, raw Virginia cotton, Sharpie transfer, fiberglass
54 x 74 x 2 ½ in.
Casey Kaplan Gallery, New York



John Biggers
Sharecropper, 1945
Oil on canvas
24 x 18in. (60.96 x 45.72 cm)
Los Angeles County Museum of Art; purchased with funds from the Ducommun and Gross
Endowment and the Robert H. Halff
Endowment



Beverly Buchanan
Family Tree House, 2009
Cedar and acrylic paint
17 x 10 x 14 ½ in.
Collection of Cameron Art Museum,
Wilmington, NC; Claude Howell Endowment for
the purchase of North Carolina Art



Beverly Buchanan
House from Scraps, 2011
Wood and copper
18.5 x 20.5 in.
Nevada Museum of Art



Beverly Buchanan
Lillington, NC Harnett Co., 2007
Acrylic on foamcore
8 ½ x 10 ½ x 11 in.
Brooklyn Museum; Williams K. Jacobs, Jr. Fund
2017.32.2



Beverly Buchanan Old Colored School, 2010 Wood on paint 20 $\frac{1}{4}$ x 14 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 18 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York; purchase, Larry Mohr Gift, 2017-2017.270a, b



Beverly Buchanan

Orangeburg County Family House, 1993
Paint, sharpie, garland, necklace, wood chips, bark, buttons, bottle caps, license plate, film canister, thumbtacks, clay pot, glass bottle, thread and glue on wood
14.25 x 14 ¾ x 10 ½ in.
Minneapolis Institute of Art



Beverly Buchanan

Tom's House, 1995 Wood and tin

Overall: 15 x 9 ½ x 16 ¼ in.

Whitney Museum of American Art, New York;

gift of Alexandra Wheeler 2019.427



Beverly Buchanan
White Shacks, 1987
Wood and paint
14 x 13 x 18 in.
Collection of Beth Rudin DeWoody



Elizabeth Catlett

printed 1989 Linoleum cut Image: $8 \frac{3}{4} \times 6 \frac{1}{16}$ in., Sheet: $10 \frac{1}{8} \times 7 \frac{1}{2}$ in. Whitney Museum of American Art, New York; purchase, with funds from the Print Committee 95.190

I have always worked hard in America, 1946,



Elizabeth Catlett

printed 1989
Linoleum cut
Image: 10 1/8 x 7 5/8 in., Sheet: 9 x 6 1/16 in.
Whitney Museum of American Art, New York;
purchase, with funds from the Print Committee
95.191

I have always worked hard in America, 1946,



Thornton Dial

Shadows of the Field, 2008
String, twine, synthetic cotton batting, wood, burlap, sheet metal, cloth rags, nails, staples, and enamel on canvas on wood 79 x 105 x 5 in.

Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York; gift of Souls Grown Deep Foundation from the Williams S. Arnett Collection 2014-2014.548.4









Sam Doyle

Frip, St. Helena's Best, 1970s Housepaint on roofing tin 45 15/16 x 54 ¾ x 1 ¾ in. High Museum of Art, Atlanta; T. Marshall Hahn Collection

David Driskell

Bahian Ribbons, 1987 Acrylic on canvas 20 x 24 in. Courtesy of Estate of David C. Driskell and DC Moore Gallery, New York

David Driskell

Festival Bahia, 1985 Gouache and mixed media on paper 24 ½ x 30 in. Frame: 29 1/8 x 36 5/8 x 1 ½ in. Courtesy of Estate of David C. Driskell and DC Moore Gallery, New York

Rotimi Fani-Kayode

Adebiyi, ca. 1989 Chromogenic print Image: 24 3/16 x 23 ¾ in., Sheet: 26 ¾ x 27

Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York; purchased with funds contributed by the Photography Council 2017.34



Fon peoples

Female Drum, 19th–20th century Wood, hide, pigment, cane, cord 58 ½ (height) x 20 ¼ in. (diameter) Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York; gift of Robert H. and Ruth S. Smith, 1982



Fon peoples

Male Drum, 19th–20th century Wood, hide, pigment, cane, cord 58 ¾ (height) x 20 ¼ in. (diameter) Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York; gift of Robert H. and Ruth S. Smith, 1982



David Hammons

Delta Spirit, 1985
Pen and ink on paper
Sheet: 6 1/6 x 9 in.
Whitney Museum of American Art, New York;
purchase, with funds from the Jack E.
Chachkes Endowed Purchase Fund and the
List Purchase Fund 2020.118



Hector Hyppolite

The Congo Queen, 1946
Enamel, oil, and pencil on cardboard
20 x 27 5/8 in.
Museum of Modern Art, New York; gift of Mr.
and Mrs. Walter Bareiss 852.1956



William H. Johnson

At Home in the Evening, c. 1940

Oil on canvas

52 ³/₄ x 47 in.

Collection of halley k harrisburg and Michael

Rosenfeld



Loïs Mailou Jones

Africa, 1935
Oil on canvas board
23 7/8 x 19 7/8 in.
The Johnson Collection, Spartanburg, South
Carolina



Loïs Mailou Jones Marche-Haiti, 1982 Watercolor 26 x 32 in. Howard University Gallery of Art



Loïs Mailou Jones
Veve Voudou II, 1963
Mixed media
21 1/8 x 25 1/4 in.
Howard University Gallery of Art



Al Loving Untitled, c. 1975 Mixed media 66 x 74 in Collection of Beth Rudin DeWoody



Horace Pippin

Cabin in the Cotton, c. 1931–37 20 x 33 ½ in.

Frame: 27 3/8 x 3 ½ in.

Art Institute of Chicago; purchased with funds provided by Thomas F. Pick and Mary P. Hines in memory of their mother Frances W. Pick

1990.417



Horace Pippin

Knowledge of God, 1944

Oil on canvas

21 x 29 1/2" in., Frame: 30 15/16 x 39 1/16 x 3

Collection of Leslie Ann Miller and Richard

Worley



Horace Pippin

School Studies, 1944 Oil on fabric

24 1/8 x 30 3/16 in.

National Gallery of Art, Washington D.C.; gift of Mr. and Mrs. Meyer P. Potamkin in honor of the Fiftieth Anniversary of the National Gallery of Art, 1991









Noah Purifoy

Untitled, 1970

Wood, leather, brass, and copper Overall: 49 $3/8 \times 28 5/8 \times 21 \frac{1}{4}$ in.

Whitney Museum of American Art, New York

71.170

Rubem Valentim

Untitled, 1956-62 Oil on canvas 27 5/8 x 19 ¾ in.

Museum of Modern Art, New York; gift of Patricia Phelps de Cisneros through the Latin American and Caribbean Fund in honor of

Lisette Stancioff 876.2016

Carrie Mae Weems

Untitled, 1992 Gelatin silver print

Image: 19 3/8 x 19 3/8 in.

Whitney Museum of American Art, New York; gift of Carrie Mae Weems P.P.O.W.

97.97.1

Carrie Mae Weems

Untitled, 1992 Gelatin silver print Sheet: 19 3/4 x 19 3/4 in.

Image: 19 9/16 x 19 9/16 in. Mount: 19 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 19 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 1/16 in.

Whitney Museum of American Art, New York; gift of Carrie Mae Weems P.P.O.W. 97.97.2







Carrie Mae Weems

Untitled, 1992
Gelatin silver print
Sheet: 19 3/4 x 19 3/4 in.

Image: 19 9/16 x 19 9/16 in. Mount: 19 ¾ x 19 ¾ x 1/16 in.

Whitney Museum of American Art, New York; gift of Carrie Mae Weems P.P.O.W. 97.97.3

Hale Aspacio Woodruff

African Headdress, c. 1931–1946, printed 1996 Linoleum cut with chine-collé,

Image: 6 x 4 in., Sheet: 6 1/16 x 4 1/16 in. Whitney Museum of American Art, New York; gift of E. Thomas Williams, Jr. and Auldlyn

Higgins Williams 98.22.1

Purvis Young

Ocean, 1975
Paint on wood on Masonite
16 x 14 ¼ in.
Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York; gift of
Souls Grown Deep Foundation from the William
S. Arnett Collection, 2014

BLACK SPIRITUALITY









Benny Andrews

The Way to the Promised Land, 1994 Oil on canvas with painted fabric collage 72 x 50 ¾ in. Michael Rosenfeld Gallery, New York

Rotimi Fani-Kayode

Every Moment Counts (Ecstatic Antibodies), 1989 Digital chromogenic print on Fuji Crystal Archive 20 x 24 in. Hales Gallery, New York

William Greaves

Excerpts from First World Festival of Negro Arts, 1966
Video, color, sound, looped
4:28 min.
The William Greaves Estate

Palmer Hayden

Spirituals (Dreams), c. 1935
Watercolor and graphite pencil on paper
Sheet (sight): 14 11/16 x 9 ½ in.
Image: 14 11/16 x 9 ½ in.
Whitney Museum of American Art, New York;
purchase, with funds from the Drawing
Committee 2015.270a–b

BLACK SPIRITUALITY CONT.



Clementine Hunter

Cane River Baptism, c. 1950–56
Oil on paperboard
19 x 23 7/8 in.
Frame: 22 ½ x 27 1/8 x 1 ½ in.
The Johnson Collection, Spartanburg, South Carolina



Jacob Lawrence

Tombstones, 1942
Opaque watercolor on paper
30 7/8 x 22 13/16 in. (78.4 x 57.9 cm)
Whitney Museum of American Art, New York,
43.14



James Van Der Zee

Choir Boy, 1937
Gelatin silver print
8 x 5 in.
Frame: 14 ¼ in. x 11 ½ x 1 ½ in.
The Studio Museum in Harlem; gift of The Sandor Family Collection, Chicago



Meta Vaux Warrick Fuller

Te Adoremus Domine, 1921
Painted plaster
14 ¾ x 13 ½ in.
Danforth Art Museum, Framingham,
Massachusetts

BLACK SPIRITUALITY CONT.









Charles White

Preacher, 1952

Pen and ink and graphite pencil on board

Sheet: 22 13/16 x 29 15/16 in. Image: 22 13/16 x 29 15/16 in.

Whitney Museum of American Art, New York

52.25

Hale Aspacio Woodruff

Old Church, c. 1931–1946, printed 1996 Linoleum cut with chine–collé Image: 6 7/16 x 9 in., Sheet: 6 5/8 x 9 1/16 in. Whitney Museum of American Art, New York; gift of E.Thomas Williams, Jr. and Auldlyn Higgins Williams 98.22.5

Hale Aspacio Woodruff

Sunday Promenade, 1939, printed 1996 Linoleum cut with chine-collé Image: 9 9/16 x 7 11/16 in., Sheet: 9 13/16 x 7 13/16 in.

Whitney Museum of American Art, New York; gift of E. Thomas Williams, Jr. and Auldlyn Higgins Williams 98.22.7

Meta Vaux Warrick Fuller Te Adoremus Domine, 1921

Painted plaster
14 ¾ x 13 ½ in.
Danforth Art Museum, Framingham,
Massachusetts

BLACK SPIRITUALITY CONT.



Purvis Young
Our Father, 1997
Paint, Masonite, wood, on wood
64 ¾ x 48 in.
Currier Museum of Art, Manchester, New
Hampshire

BLACK MIGRATION







Ellen Gallagher

Ecstatic Draught of Fishes, 2022
Oil, pigment, wax, palladium leaf and paper on canvas
89 ¾ in x 118 1/8 in.
Whitney Museum of American Art, New York; gift of The George Economou Collection 2023.74

Theaster Gates

Minority Majority, 2012
Decommissioned fire hoses and vinyl on plywood
Overall: 66 x 111 ½ x 3 ¾ in.
Whitney Museum of American Art, New York; gift of Barbara and Michael Gamson 2016.262

Nikki Giovanni

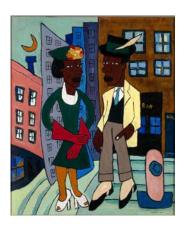
Quilting the Black-Eyed Pea (We're Going to Mars), 2002
Poem printed on panel
Courtesy the artist and HarperCollins

Lonnie Holley

Sharing the Struggle, 2018 Wood rocking chairs, fire hoses 40 x 65 x 40 in. Collection of Beth Rudin DeWoody

BLACK MIGRATION CONT.









William H. Johnson

Moon Over Harlem, 1943-1944 Oil on plywood 28 ½ x 35 ¾ in. (72.5 x 90.8 cm) Smithsonian American Art Museum, Washington D.C.; gift of the Harmon Foundation 1967.59.57

William H. Johnson

Street Life, Harlem, c. 1939-40 Oil on plywood 45 5/8 x 38 5/8 in. Smithsonian American Art Museum, Washington D.C., gift of the Harmon Foundation 1967.59.674

Samella Lewis

Migrants, 1968 Linocut on paper 17 ½ x 24 in. Support: 22 1/4 x 29 1/8 in.

Frame: 29 5/8 x 36 5/8 x 1 1/8 in.

The Johnson Collection, Spartanburg, South

Carolina

Martin Puryear

The Rest, 2009-10

Bronze

Overall: 45 3/4 x 35 5/16 x 20 5/8 in.

Whitney Museum of American Art, New York; gift of Gretchen and John Berggruen 2014.350

BLACK MIGRATION CONT.









Alma Thomas

Mars Dust, 1972
Acrylic on canvas
69 ½ x 57 1/8 in.
Whitney Museum of American Art, New York;
purchase, with funds from The Hament
Corporation 72.58

Paul Waters

Beautiful Life, 1969
Oil on cut linen collage on canvas
46 x 60 in.
Eric Firestone Gallery, New York

Hale Aspacio Woodruff

By Parties Unknown, 1935, printed 1996 Linoleum cut with chine-collé, Image: 12 x 9 in., Sheet: 12 x 9 in. Whitney Museum of American Art, New York; gift of E. Thomas Williams, Jr. and Auldlyn Higgins Williams, 98.22.2

Hale Aspacio Woodruff

Giddap, 1935, printed 1996 Linoleum with chine-collé, Sheet Image: 12 x 9 in., Sheet (irregular): 12 1/16 x 9 in. Whitney Museum of American Art, New York; gift of E.

Thomas Williams, Jr. and Auldlyn Higgins Williams 98.22.4

BLACK MIGRATION CONT.







Purvis Young

Black People Migrating West, late 1970s Paint, poster board, with wood frame 21.25 x 28.25 in.

Frame: 21 ½ x 28 ¼ x 2 in.

High Museum of Art, Atlanta; purchase and gift of the Souls Grown Deep Foundation from the William S. Arnett Collection 2017.80

Purvis Young

Here I Come, Freedom, late 1970s
Paint on mylar, mounted on found painting
31.5 x 27 in.
Souls Grown Deep Foundation

Purvis Young

I Love Your America, late 1970sPaint on mylar, mounted on found painting 25 ¼ x 17 ¼ in.Souls Grown Deep Foundation

BLACK LIBERATION









Jeff Donaldson

Soweto/So We Too, 1979 Mixed media 39 x 30 ½ in. Collection of Beth Rudin DeWoody

Aaron Douglas

Bravado, 1926

Woodcut

Image: 8 x 5 ½ in., Sheet: 10 x 8in.

Whitney Museum of American Art, New York; Promised gift of Crystal McCrary and Raymond J. McGuire to the Whitney Museum of American

Art, New York and The Studio Museum in

Harlem 2022.3.1

Aaron Douglas

Flight, 1926

Woodcut

Image: 8 x 5 ½ in. (20.3 x 14 cm), Sheet: 10 x 8

in. (25.4 x 20.3 cm)

Whitney Museum of American Art, New York; Promised gift of Crystal McCrary and Raymond J. McGuire to the Whitney Museum of American Art, New York and The Studio Museum in

Harlem 2022.3.2

Aaron Douglas

Surrender, 1970

Woodcut

Image: 8 x 5 ½ in. (20.3 x 14 cm), Sheet: 10 x 8

in. (25.4 x 20.3 cm)

Whitney Museum of American Art, New York; Promised gift of Crystal McCrary and Raymond J. McGuire to the Whitney Museum of American Art, New York and the Studio Museum in

Harlem 2022.3.3



Sam Doyle
Frank Capers, 2023
Paint and marker on wood
33 x 20.25 in.

Souls Grown Deep Foundation



Sam Doyle LeBe, 1970s Paint on tin 37.5 x 26.75 in. Souls Grown Deep Foundation



Robert Duncanson View of Cincinnati, Ohio from Covington, Kentucky, c. 1851 Oil on canvas 25 x 36 in. Cincinnati Museum Center 26.2002



Melvin Edwards Chitungwiza from the Lynch Fragment series, 1989 Steel 11 1/8 x 10 ½ x 10 3/8 in. Museum of Modern Art, New York 245.1990









Melvin Edwards

Cup of? From the Lynch Fragment series, 1988 Steel 112 7/8 x 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. (32.7 x 17 x 24 cm) Museum of Modern Art, New York 243.1990

Melvin Edwards

Katura from the Lynch Fragment series, 1986 Steel 11 ¾ x 5 7/8 x 4 7/8 in. (30 x 15 x 12.3 cm) Museum of Modern Art, New York 242.1990

Melvin Edwards

Utonga (Lynch Fragment), 1988
Welded steel
8 1/8 x 13 ½ x 9 in., 18 lb.
Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York; gift of
Clara Diament Sujo, 1991

Sam Gilliam

Untitled (Black), 1978
Acrylic, yarn, and cut canvas on stained canvas 89 ¾ x 120 ½ in.
Whitney Museum of American Art, New York;
Gift of Suzanne and Bob Cochran 94.161









David Hammons

Untitled, 1992

Human hair, wire, metallic mylar, sledge hammer, plastic beads, string, metal food tin, panty hose, leather, tea bags, and feathers

Dimensions variable

Whitney Museum of American Art, New York; purchase, with funds from the Mrs. Percy Uris Bequest and the Painting and Sculpture Committee 92.128a-z

Maren Hassinger

River, 1972/2012

Mixed media installation with steel chains and

7 x 89 x 358 in.

The Studio Museum in Harlem; gift of the artist 2012.34

Wadsworth Jarrell

Revolutionary (Angela Davis), 1972 Screenprint, Sheet (sight) Sheet (sight): 25 13/16 x 32 1.2 in. Whitney Museum of American Art, New York; purchase, with funds from Kenneth Alpert 2020.152

Wadsworth Jarrell Together We Will Win, 1973 Acrylic and foil on canvas 60 x 84 in.

Jenkins Johnson Gallery, Brooklyn, NY





Untitled Anxious Men, 2016 Ceramic tile, black soap, wax 47 ½ x 34 ¼ in. Collection of the artist



Glenn Ligon

Stranger in the Village #12, 1998
Enamel, oil, acrylic, gesso, coal, dust, and glitter on cotton
Overall: 96 x 72 1/8 in. (243.8 x 183.2 cm)
Whitney Museum of American Art, New York; gift of the artist and purchase, with funds from Joanna Leonhardt Cassullo and the Dorothea L. Leonhardt Fund at the Communities
Foundation of Texas and the Painting and Sculpture Committee 98.55



James Little

Stars and Stripes, 2021

Oil and wax on linen
72 ¼ x 72 ¼ in.
Whitney Museum of American Art, New York;
purchase, with funds from Marcia Dunn and
Jonathan Sobel 2022.207



Thomas Nast

Emancipation of the Negroes – The Past and the Future (from "Harper's Weekly"), 1863 Wood engraving Sheet: 14 5/8 x 20 11/16 in. Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York 29.88.4(10)









Joe Overstreet

Purple Flight, 1971
Acrylic on constructed canvas with metal grommets and cotton rope
Dimensions variable; 66 x 101 x 25 ¾ in
(canvas size (present overall installation: 136 x 117 x 47in.)
Eric Firestone Gallery

Faith Ringgold

United States of Attica, 1971
Offset lithograph
Sheet (sight): 21 3/8 x 27 3/16 in. (54.3 x 69.1 cm)
Whitney Museum of American Art, New York; gift of ACA Galleries in honor of Faith Ringgold 2017.16

Meta Vaux Warrick Fuller

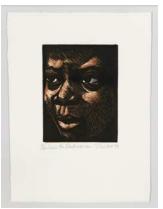
Mold for Crusaders for Freedom, 1962 Plaster with mold release agent 36 ½ x 36 x 2 ¼ in. Danforth Art Museum, Framingham, MA

James Van Der Zee

Marcus Garvey Rally, 1924
Gelatin silver print
Sheet: 8 1/16 x 10 in.
Image: 7 1/8 x 9 3/8 in.
Gift of Manny and Skippy Gerard 2003.416

BLACK WOMEN









Emma Amos

Judith Jamison as Josephine Baker, 1985 Acrylic on canvas 100 x 32 in. Ryan Lee Gallery, New York

Elizabeth Catlett

I am the Negro Woman, 1947, printed 1989 Linoleum cut Image: 5 3/16 x 4in., Sheet: 10 1/8 x 7 9/16in. Whitney Museum of American Art, New York; purchase, with funds from the Print Committee 95.189

Elizabeth Catlett

freedom, 1946, printed 1989 Linoleum cut Image: 9 1/8 x 7 1/16 in., Sheet: 10 $\frac{1}{4}$ x 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ in. Whitney Museum of American Art, New York; purchase, with funds from the Print Committee 95.194

In Harriet Tubman I helped hundreds to

Elizabeth Catlett

In Sojourner Truth I fought for the rights of women as well as Negroes, 1947, printed 1989 Linoleum cut

Sheet: 10 ¼ x 7 3/8in. Image: 8 7/8 x 5 5/16in.

Whitney Museum of American Art, New York; purchase, with funds from the Print Committee

95.195

BLACK WOMEN CONT.









Elizabeth Catlett

In Phillis Wheatley I proved intellectual equality in the midst of slavery, 1946, printed 1989 Linoleum cut

Image: 1/8 × 6 1/16in., Sheet: 10 9/16 x 7 9/16in.

Whitney Museum of American Art, New York; purchase, with funds from the Print Committee 95.196

Karon Davis

Dear Mama, 2024
Plaster strips, plaster, metal, wire, and glass eyes
95 x 47 x 36 in.
Collection of the artist

Beauford Delaney

Marian Anderson, 1965
Oil and egg tempera emulsion on canvas
66 3/16 x 53 ½ x 1 7/8 in.
Virginia Museum of Fine Arts

Geoffrey Holder

Portrait of Carmen de Lavallade, 1976 Oil on canvas with artist frame 60 x 40 in., 60 ½ x 40 ½ in. framed James Fuentes Gallery, New York

BLACK WOMEN CONT.



Loïs Mailou Jones Jennie, 1943 Oil on canvas 35 ¾ x 28 ¾ in. Howard University Gallery of Art



Mary Lovelace O'Neal Race Woman Series #7, c. 1990s Mixed media on canvas 84 x 60 in. Jenkins Johnson Gallery, Brooklyn



Mickalene Thomas Katherine Dunham: Revelation, 2024 Rhinestones and acrylic paint on canvas mounted on wood panel 96 ½ x 120 in. Collection of the artist



Kara Walker African/American, 1998 Linoleum cut on paper Sheet (sight, irregular): 45 7/8 x 60 ½ in. Plate (sight, irregular): 35 ¾ x 43 1/8in. LP 4, Ed. 40 Whitney Museum of American Art, New York; promised gift of the Fisher Landau Center for Art 2010.339

BLACK WOMEN CONT.



Meta Vaux Warrick Fuller
Mother and Child (Secret Sorrow), c. 1914
Bronze
5.75 x 5 x 5 in.
Danforth Art Museum, Framingham,
Massachusetts

AILEY'S COLLABORATORS



Romare Bearden

"The Bayou" from the *Bayou Fever* series, 1979 Collage, ink, pencil, and acrylic on fiberboard Courtesy of the Estate of Romare Bearden and DC Moore Gallery, New York



Romare Bearden

"The Father Comes Home" from the *Bayou Fever* series, 1979
Collage on fiberboard
Courtesy of the Estate of Romare Bearden and DC Moore Gallery, New York



Romare Bearden

"Wife and Child in Cabin" from the *Bayou Fever* series, 1979
Collage on fiberboard
Courtesy of the Estate of Romare Bearden and DC Moore Gallery, New York



Romare Bearden

"The Herb Woman" from the *Bayou Fever* series, 1979
Collage and acrylic on fiberboard
Courtesy of the Estate of Romare Bearden and DC Moore Gallery, New York

AILEY'S COLLABORATORS CONT.



Romare Bearden

"The Mother Hears the Train" from the *Bayou Fever* series, 1979
Collage and acrylic on fiberboard
Courtesy of the Estate of Romare Bearden and DC Moore Gallery, New York



Romare Bearden

"The Swamp Witch" from the *Bayou Fever* series, 1979
Collage and acrylic on fiberboard
Courtesy of the Estate of Romare Bearden and DC Moore Gallery, New York



Romare Bearden

"The Blue Demons" from the *Bayou Fever* series, 1979
Collage, acrylic and pencil on fiberboard
Courtesy of the Estate of Romare Bearden and DC Moore Gallery, New York



Romare Bearden

"The Wart Hog" from the *Bayou Fever* series, 1979

Collage, acrylic and pencil on fiberboard Courtesy of the Estate of Romare Bearden and DC Moore Gallery, New York

AILEY'S COLLABORATORS CONT.









Romare Bearden

"The Lizard" from the *Bayou Fever* series, 1979 Collage, acrylic, and pencil on fiberboard Courtesy of the Estate of Romare Bearden and DC Moore Gallery, New York

Romare Bearden

"The Hatchet Man" from the *Bayou Fever* series, 1979
Collage, acrylic and pencil on fiberboard
Courtesy of the Estate of Romare Bearden and
DC Moore Gallery, New York

Romare Bearden

"The Buzzard and the Snake (The Conjur Woman)" from the *Bayou Fever* series, 1979 Collage on fiberboard with attached string and safety pin

Courtesy of the Estate of Romare Bearden and DC Moore Gallery, New York

Romare Bearden

"The Conjur Woman" from the *Bayou Fever* series, 1979
Collage and acrylic on fiberboard
Courtesy of the Estate of Romare Bearden and
DC Moore Gallery, New York

AILEY'S COLLABORATORS CONT.



Romare Bearden

"The Swamp Witch, Blue-Green Lights and Conjur Woman" from the *Bayou Fever* series, 1979

Collage and acrylic on fiberboard Courtesy of the Estate of Romare Bearden and DC Moore Gallery, New York



Romare Bearden

"Earth and the Magic Drummer" from the *Bayou Fever* series, 1979
Acrylic, collage, and pencil on fiberboard
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The Magic Root (Spotted Deer and the Father)" from the *Bayou Fever* series, 1979 Collage and acrylic on fiberboard Courtesy of the Estate of Romare Bearden and DC Moore Gallery, New York



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"Star (Star from the Heavens)" from the *Bayou Fever* series, 1979
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"Past-Present-Future and Beautiful Dreams" from the *Bayou Fever* series, 1979 collage and acrylic on fiberboard Courtesy of the Estate of Romare Bearden and DC Moore Gallery, New York

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"Wisdom" from the *Bayou Fever* series, 1979 Collage and acrylic on fiberboard Courtesy of the Estate of Romare Bearden and DC Moore Gallery, New York

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"The Emperor of the Golden Trumpet" from the Bayou Fever series, 1979
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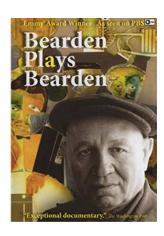
"All Come Back" from the *Bayou Fever* series, 1979
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Nelson Breen

Excerpts from Bearden Plays Bearden, 1980 Featuring Dianne McIntyre's Ancestral Voices (1971) and Alvin Ailey, James Baldwin, Romare Bearden, and Albert Murray 16mm film, color, sound; 17:26 min. (looped) Collection of the artist



Antonio Lopez and Juan Ramos

Slideshow of photographs from Studio 54 opening night, 1977 Slide projection The Antonio Archives

BLACK MUSIC



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Terry Adkins

Other Bloods (from The Principalities), 2012 Drum, rope, zebra pelt and parachute 62 x 19 x 12 in. Paula Cooper Gallery, New York

Jean-Michel Basquiat

Hollywood Africans, 1983
Acrylic and oil stick on canvas
84 1/16 x 84 in.
Whitney Museum of American Art, New York;
gift of Douglas S. Cramer 84.23

Roy DeCarava

Coltrane and Elvin, 1960
Gelatin silver print
Dimensions
Whitney Museum of American Art, New York;
purchase, with funds from the Photography
Committee 98.12.3

Roy DeCarava

Elvin Jones, 1961
Gelatin silver print mounted on board
Sheet (sight): 12 11/16 x 8 ¾in.; Image (sight):
12 11/16 x 8 ¾ in.
Whitney Museum of American Art, New York;
gift of Sherry DeCarava 2014.134









Beauford Delaney

Charlie Parker Yardbird, 1958
Oil on canvas
39 ½ x 29 ½ in.
Smithsonian American Art Museum,
Washington D.C.

Thornton Dial

Soul Train, 2004
Clothing, tin, rope carpet, bicycle horn, oil, enamel, spray paint, and Splash Zone compound on canvas on wood 78 x 71.5 x 5 in.
Hood Museum of Art, Hanover, New Hampshire

Charles Gaines

Sound Box: Nina Simone and Billie Holiday, 2021
Poplar, vinyl records, rubber, felt, MP3 player, rechargeable battery 25 ½ x 15 ½ x 12in.
Collection of Beth Rudin DeWoody

Sam Gilliam

Swing 64, 1964
Acrylic on canvas
37 9/16 x 37 1/8 x 1 ½ in.
Collection of Beth Rudin DeWoody



Lyle Ashton Harris

Billie #21, 2002

Dye diffusion transfer (Polaroid)

Image: 24 x 20 in., Sheet: 33 ¾ x 22 1/16 in.

Whitney Museum of American Art, New York; purchase with funds from the Photography

Committee 2002.563



Ralph Lemon
Bongos and Djembe, 1999
Oil stick on paper
8 x 8 in.
Collection of the artist



Ralph Lemon Untitled (Miles Davis), 2006 Ink and watercolor on paper 5 ¼ x 7 ¼ in. (Framed: 8 ½ x 10 ½ in.) Hudgins Family Collection



Ralph Lemon Untitled (On Black music), 2001-07 Ink and watercolor on notebook paper, 41 drawings 7 ½ x 5 ¾ in. Collection of the artist



Ralph Lemon

Walter with record player, 2005 Video, color, sound; 1:53 min. (looped) Collection of the artist



Norman Lewis

Jazz, 1943–44 Lithograph in black on wove paper 14.37 x 11.22 in. Michael Rosenfeld Gallery, New York



Norman Lewis Phantasy II, 1946

Oil on canvas 28 1/8 x 35 7/8 in. Museum of Modern Art, New York; gift of The Friends of Education of the Museum of Modern Art 528.1998



Kerry James Marshall

Souvenir IV, 1998
Acrylic, glitter, and screenprint on paper on tarpaulin with metal grommets
107 5/8 x 157 ½ in.
Whitney Museum of American Art, New York; with funds from the Painting and Sculpture Committee 98.56



Archibald John Motley Jr. Getting' Religion, 1948 Oil on linen 32 x 39 7/16in. Purchase, Josephine N. Hopper Bequest, by exchange 2016.15



Gordon Parks Music-That Lordly Power, 1993 Gelatin silver print 19.3 x 14 in. Gordon Parks Foundation



I've Got Rhythm, 1972 Mechanical metronome with wood case, plastic toy, American flag pin, paint and paper collage Overall: 8 9/16 x 4 7/16in.

Whitney Museum of American Art, New York; purchase, with funds from the Painting and Sculpture Committee



Bill Traylor

Betye Saar

Untitled (Man in a Blue House), date unknown Pencil and poster paint on paperboard 17 ½ x 11 1/8 in.

Frame: 24 3/8 x 18 3/8 x 1 in.

The Johnson Collection, Spartanburg, South

Carolina



Hale Aspacio Woodruff

Blind Musician, 1935/1998 Woodcut

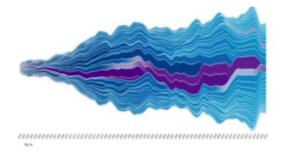
Image: 6 x 4 1/16 in., Sheet: 19 3/16 in x 15 1/16 in.

Whitney Museum of American Art, New York; gift of Auldlyn Higgins Williams and E. Thomas Williams, Jr. 2004.631

AFTER AILEY









Josh Begley and Kya Lou, with Adrienne Edwards

Alvin Ailey video surround, 2024 18-channel installation

Missa Marmalstein and other makers unknown

Block 1871 of the AIDS Memorial Quilt, 1987 Mixed media 144 x 144 in. National AIDS Memorial, Washington D.C.

Kate Elswit and Harmony Bench (Moving Data), with Antonio Jiménez-Mavillard and Tia-Monique Uzor

Generations of Embodied Knowledge: The Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater's Dance Artists, 1958-2023 (Radical Accounting series), 2024

Kate Elswit and Harmony Bench (Moving Data), with Antonio Jiménez-Mavillard and Tia-Monique Uzor

Global Architectures The Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater, City by City and Year by Year, 1958-89 (Radical Accounting series), 2024

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Repertory as Living Dance Museum: The Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater's Performance History, 1958-89 (Radical Accounting series), 2024

AILEY'S INFLUENCES

Note: After artworks, time-based media is organized alphabetically by subject.



Sphinx maquette for Metropolitan Opera production of *Antony and Cleopatra*, 1966 Painted plaster Metropolitan Opera Archives, New York



Carl Van Vechten Portraits of *Alvin Ailey*, 1955

Exhibition copies, dimensions variable
Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library,
Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut



JACK COLE

Excerpt of Jack Cole dancing from Lydia Bailey, directed by Jean Negulesco, 1952 Film, color, sound 6:16 min. (looped)



JACK COLE

Jack Cole performing *Sing, Sing, Sing* on *Perry Como's Kraft Music Hall*, September 30, 1959 Video, black-and-white, sound 5:10 min. (looped)









CARMEN DE LAVALLADE AND GEOFFREY HOLDER

Excerpt of Carmen de Lavallade and Geoffrey Holder dancing in *House of Flowers* (1954), featured in *Ethnic Dance: Roundtrip to Trinidad*, directed by Greg Harney, 1959 Film, color, sound 1:17 min. (looped)

CARMEN DE LAVALLADE AND GEOFFREY HOLDER

Excerpts from *Carmen and Geoffrey*, directed by Nick Doob and Linda Atkinson, 2005 Video, color, sound 14:23 min. (looped)

MAYA DEREN AND TALLEY BEATTY

Maya Deren and Talley Beatty
A Study in Choreography for Camera, 1945
Video, black-and-white
3 min. (looped)
Anthology Film Archives, New York

KATHERINE DUNHAM

Choros, danced by the Katherine Dunham Company, filmed by WDR Fernsehen, 1960 Video, black-and-white, sound 1:57 min. (looped)



KATHERINE DUNHAM

Cumbia, danced by the Katherine Dunham Company, filmed by WDR Fernsehen, 1960 Video, black-and-white, sound 2:08 min. (looped)



KATHERINE DUNHAM

Katherine Dunham at home in Martissant, Haiti, 1962 Video, black-and-white, sound 5:59 min. (looped)



KATHERINE DUNHAM

Katherine Dunham on *Shango*, 2002 Digital video, color, sound 5:59 min. (looped)



KATHERINE DUNHAM

Negro Ballet, danced by the Katherine Dunham Company, 1948 Video, black-and-white, sound 1:21 min. (looped)



Shango, danced by the Katherine Dunham Company, footage by Ann Barzel, 1947 Video, black-and-white, sound

1:21 min. (looped)



KATHERINE DUNHAM

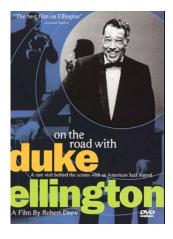
KATHERINE DUNHAM

Urban Social Dance, Jamaica Fieldwork, footage by Katherine Dunham, 1936 16mm film transferred to video, black-and-white 0:54 min. (looped)



KATHERINE DUNHAM

Washerwoman, danced by the Katherine Dunham Company, 1956 8mm film transferred to video, black-and-white 0:48 min. (looped)



DUKE ELLINGTON

Excerpts from On the Road with Duke Ellington, directed by Robert Drew, 1967 Video, color, sound 14:06 min (looped)



MARTHA GRAHAM

El Penitente (1940), choreographed by Martha Graham, directed by Dwight Godwin, 1964 Video, black-and-white, sound 19:41 min (looped)



MARTHA GRAHAM

Martha Graham technique demonstration, 1975 Video, black-and-white, sound 17:02 min (looped)



MARTHA GRAHAM

Primitive Mysteries (1931), choreographed by Martha Graham, directed by Dwight Godwin, 1964 Video, black-and-white, sound 7:20 min (looped)



LESTER HORTON

Camera Three: Tribute to Lester Horton, directed by Nick Havinga, 1963
16mm film, color, sound
28:20 min. (looped)







LESTER HORTON

Fandango / Rheingold Presents, danced by the Lester Horton Dance Theater, directed by Alex Runciman, 1955
Video, color, sound
29 min. (looped)

PEARL PRIMUS

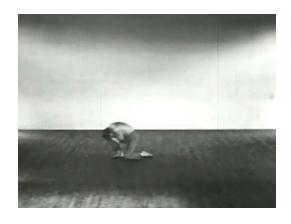
Excerpts from *An African American Dance Forum*, directed by James Briggs Murray, 1983
Video, color, sound
5:38 min. (looped)

PEARL PRIMUS

Excerpts of Pearl Primus dancing, 1981 Video, color, sound 19:09 min. (looped)

PEARL PRIMUS

Spirituals, danced by Pearl Primus, 1950 Video, color, sound 1:14 min. (looped)
Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival Archives



TED SHAWN

Nobody Knows, danced by Ted Shawn, 1938 Video, color, sound 1:21 min. (looped) Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival Archives



THEATER/HOLLYWOOD

Excerpt from *Carmen Jones*, directed by Otto Preminger, 1954
Film, color, sound
5:10 min. (looped)
20th Century Studios, Inc.



THEATER/HOLLYWOOD

Excerpt from *Porgy and Bess*, directed by Joe Layton, 1961 Video, black-and-white, sound 1:41 min. (looped)