



Resiliency: A Blooming Diaspora

Nevada Humanities Virtual Exhibition Opens October 1, 2020

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September 28, 2020—LAS VEGAS, NV— As part of the ongoing *Nevada Humanities Exhibition Series*, a new exhibition, [*Resiliency: A Blooming Diaspora*](#), opens online on October 1, 2020 at nevadahumanities.org and will be on display as a virtual exhibition indefinitely. A *Resiliency: A Blooming Diaspora* curator's talk will take place live on Thursday, November 5, 2020, at 7 pm on the Nevada Humanities Facebook page at: facebook.com/nevadahumanities. View the exhibition online at nevadahumanities.org.

Resilience is exemplified by life in the desert. The flora and fauna of southern Nevada is some of the most resilient on this earth, scratching an existence a hairline from desolation. Thriving in the harshest of conditions is familiar to the people belonging to the African diaspora. Blackness within the United States as is no simple thing. *Resiliency: A Blooming Diaspora* explores a vivid tapestry of multidisciplinary artists of African descent who have made this place their home, each with their own story to share. This exhibition features the following artists: Jordan Collins, Ashley Hariston Doughty, LaRon Emcee, Florish, Q'Shaundra James, Tyler Lewis, Anthony Moore, Sloan Siobhan, Erica Vital-Lazare, and Phatsimo Wenzel. This exhibition is part of the Illustrated Word Series of the [*Las Vegas Book Festival*](#).

"The goal of this exhibition is to explore the idea of blackness and resilience whether it be in the face of great cultural upheaval, internal/psychological difficulty, or that of the physical environment," said Brent Holmes, exhibition curator. "To bring together a vivid tapestry of multidisciplinary artists of African descent that all inhabit a similar space, painters, poets, sculptors, writers, filmmakers, musicians and anything beyond or in between."

"Nevada Humanities is committed to all the ways to connect to each other through the stories, histories, experiences, and future aspirations of the people who find their way to Nevada and make it the place they call home," said Bobbie Ann Howell, Program Manager, Nevada Humanities.

About Nevada Humanities: Nevada Humanities is one of 56 independent, nonprofit state and territorial humanities councils affiliated with the National Endowment for the



Humanities. With offices in Reno and Las Vegas, Nevada Humanities creates public programs and supports public projects statewide that define the Nevada experience and facilitate the exploration of issues that matter to the people of Nevada and their communities. For more information about Nevada Humanities visit nevadahumanities.org.

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