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Gerardo Nigenda: Thresholds-Retrospective



February 19, 2015 - June 7, 2015

Location: Main Gallery

Artist: Gerardo Nigenda

McAllen, TX- The International Museum of Art & Science (IMAS) will welcome its latest exhibit Thresholds: Retrospective by photographer Gerardo Nigenda (1968-2010) from February 19, 2015 to June 7, 2015. Members of the museum and visitors are invited to join IMAS on Thursday, February 19, 2015 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for an opening reception.

Thresholds is unlike any other photography exhibit presented before at IMAS, due to the artist's loss of sight at the age of 25. For Nigenda, photography was not a literal description of an image but the sensation he had based on the experiences that led him to take photographs. In one of his last interviews, Nigenda explained, "The photos I take are experiences, what I smell, touch and listen to. The memories of these experiences are my negatives. I have them in my mind. When I read [Braille], I remember and locate where it was or what it is. It does not matter if I do not visually describe what is in the photo as long as I describe the feeling I had when I took it. So I selected the material to print. It did not matter if one image was better than the other technique or better aesthetically; the point was to express what I felt."

Nigenda began his trajectory in photography in 1999 at the age of 32, when he would photograph with a pocket Yashika camera gifted to him by North American documentarian Mary Ellen Mark. He has exhibited in Mexico, Spain, U.S.A., Russia, and Ecuador

For more information please contact IMAS at (956) 682-0123 or info@imasonline.org. Admission to opening reception and to the exhibit is free for IMAS Members and included in the price of general admission; \$7/Adult, \$5/Senior & Student w/I.D., \$4/Child (4-12), Free for Minors (0-3). Thresholds: Retrospective by Gerardo Nigenda will be on display at IMAS from February 19, 2015 to June 7, 2015.

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