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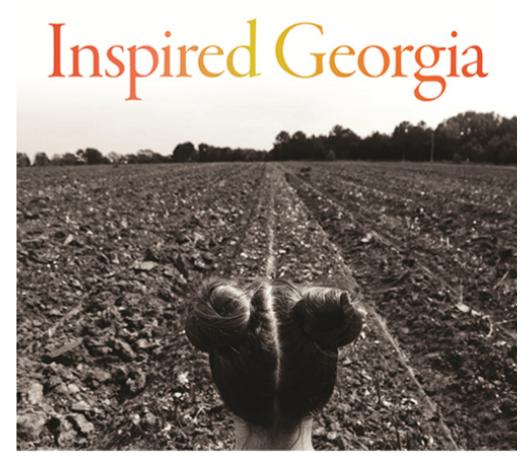
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'Inspired Georgia' photography exhibition coming to Georgia Southern

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Georgia Southern University is one of only six locations across the state selected to host "Inspired Georgia," a traveling photo exhibition sponsored by the Georgia Council for the Arts.

Pulling from the pages of the recently published book "Inspired Georgia," edited by Judson Mitcham, Michael David Murphy and Karen L. Paty, the exhibition features a powerful collection of contemporary work by Georgia photographers and poets highlighting the rich culture and dynamic landscapes of the Peach State. Photography by Georgia Southern Professor Jessica Hines and poetry by Assistant Professor Sean Hill are among those included in the book and exhibition.

The exhibition will be on view at the Georgia Southern Center for Art & Theatre's Contemporary Gallery from Jan. 9 to Feb. 1. An opening reception will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 9, from 5 to 7 p.m. and will include a special readings by Mitcham, Georgia's poet laureate, and Hill at 6 p.m. in the Gallery.

"Featuring a diverse range of photographic styles and approaches to landscape and image, 'Inspired Georgia' is a must-see exhibition," said Gallery Director Jason Hoelscher. "Georgia has a bit of everything, from sandy beaches to farm fields and rolling hills, a range matched by the photographs here. The passion and inspiration for our state come across quite strongly in these works, and I know gallery visitors will walk away greatly inspired."

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