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And My Spirit Said, Yes! ***The Photographic Art of Don Thompson*** **February 1-24**

Tulsa, OK Visions of spirit and life make up the foundation of this collection of photographs taken by local photographer Don Thompson. His photos aim to go beyond mere physical representations to capture the inner souls of people, places and objects.

Thompson is best known for his urban landscapes, Polaroid manipulations, and portraits of African Americans. A permanent exhibition of his work, titled *Black Settlers in Tulsa*, is on display at OSU Tulsa.

The artist, who began his career as a photographer and writer for the U.S. Army in the 1960s, recently exhibited in the Pearl Gallery Winter Show and wrapped up a touring exhibit, *Tulsa in a Parade of Color*, at the Tulsa Historical Society. *And My Spirit Said, Yes!* features new images and also gives the community an opportunity to sample his past works of black-and-white expressions.



Flower Beam
13" x 19" Polaroid manipulation

Thompson owns Don Thompson Photography and is a member of the Tulsa Artist Coalition and the Oklahoma Visual Arts Coalition. His work is available at Lovett's Gallery, The Frame Maker and Dwelling Spaces and can be seen at www.donthompsonimages.com.

And My Spirit Said, Yes! will be on display in the PAC Gallery February 1-24. The photographs are for sale through the artist's representative, Barbara Eikner. The public is invited to attend the artist's reception on Thursday, February 7, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the Gallery.

The PAC Gallery, located downtown at 3rd and Cincinnati, is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and during Chapman Music Hall events. Admission is free.

The Tulsa Performing Arts Center is a department of the City of Tulsa.