'AFRICA FORECAST: Fashioning Contemporary Life' | September 15 – December 3, 2016



The Spelman College Museum of Fine Art is proud to announce AFRICA FORECAST: Fashioning Contemporary Life, an original exhibition that will launch its 20th anniversary. The exhibition will position fashion through two overlapping perspectives: an ever-changing global marketplace and the unique ways that black women throughout the African Diaspora construct their lives. AFRICA FORECAST features work by black women artists and designers who shape, imagine, and redefine the impact of lifestyle in highly imaginative ways.

For the groundbreaking artists and designers in AFRICA FORECAST, style serves as endless inspiration for new approaches to dressing, social relationships, and activism. They stretch the boundaries of fashion's influence in art and design, reflecting its ability to communicate complex social and cultural perspectives. As a result, the exhibition will encourage visitors to explore fashion's changing shape in art and in their daily lives. AFRICA FORECAST will provide a dynamic snapshot of this global reflection on style through garments, photography, video, painting, and sculpture.

AFRICA FORECAST: Fashioning Contemporary Life is curated by Andrea Barnwell Brownlee, Ph.D. and Erika Dalya Massaquoi, Ph.D.