In this workshop for high school photo classes, students will examine the work of New York-based photographer Jon Henry and create their own photographic stories that draw from the history of art.

Participants will be invited to submit their photographs to be considered for an exhibition at the California Museum of Photography in Spring 2024. Book here.

Image: Jon Henry, Untitled #42, Central Los Angeles, CA. Image courtesy of the artist.
Storytelling Through Photography Workshop inspired by Jon Henry
Instructor: Steffanie Padilla
Offered: October 1-December 15, 2023

Group of up to 35 students and 3 chaperones.
Fee: $375 per group

Schedule:

1 hour: Guided tour of Jon Henry, Stranger Fruit and David C. Driskell & Friends: Creativity, Collaboration & Friendship

1 hour: Storytelling Through Photography Workshop with Steffanie Padilla

~20 minutes – Students will reflect on Jon’s work and see other examples of common motifs throughout art history, photo history, etc. They will consider how these motifs are used to tell a story.

~30 minutes - Students will then practice creating their own tableau based on examples provide and taking photos.

~10 minutes - Students are given their assignment: choose a motif they want to recreate (either one of our examples or do research to find one they like). They can work with classmates, friends, or family members to recreate a group photo or portrait. Their photos must tell a story or communicate a vision. This assignment can be homework or the teacher can choose to work on the assignment in class.

Students are encouraged to submit photos for the student exhibition inspired by Jon Henry at the California Museum of Photography in Spring 2024.

To book, complete the form or email lindsey.hammel@ucr.edu.

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