

SPACE

THE LINDA PACE
FOUNDATION GALLERY

SPACE - The Linda Pace Foundation opens the collection to the public on a permanent basis

(SAN ANTONIO, TX – March 16, 2014) – Maura Reilly, Executive Director, and the Board of Trustees of the Linda Pace Foundation, announce the opening of SPACE, a new exhibition space designed by San Antonio architect, Jim Poteet, FAIA. While the Foundation has previously presented exhibitions in Linda Pace’s private home on Camp Street, SPACE will be free and open to the public Wednesday through Saturday from 12PM–5PM, making the collection of late philanthropist and artist Linda Pace available for public view on an ongoing basis. Opening weekend festivities will be held Friday, April 18–19, 2014.

“This is truly a wonderful moment for the Linda Pace Foundation,” Reilly said. “The two-thousand square foot building, identified by a bold Daniel Joseph Martinez mural on the east-facing exterior wall, is conducive to a wide variety of exhibitions, and also anticipates a larger public space in the future on another of the Foundation’s properties. The opening date was chosen specifically to coincide with what would have been Linda Pace’s 69th birthday, as a reminder to all of us that exhibiting her collection publicly was one of her principal wishes. CHRISpark, which Pace built in memory of her son, has been extended to accommodate easy public access to SPACE.”

SPACE is located in the northeast corner of CHRISpark in a building that has served various functions in the history of the Foundation, each of which has been re-purposed and designed by architect Jim Poteet. The building first functioned as the studio of Linda Pace, then as the Foundation offices, and now as an exhibition space to accommodate exhibitions of contemporary art related to the permanent collection. As Poteet explains, “It means so much to us to be designing a new future for this humble building. Since Linda Pace acquired what we initially called ‘the stables’, its influence has belied its modest architecture: first as Linda’s studio, then as the first office of her foundation, now as a vehicle to share her collection with the public.”

For the inaugural exhibition at SPACE, Reilly has co-curated *Pace Gems*, to highlight a selection of works from the Foundation’s permanent collection. “I have mined the Linda Pace Foundation’s extraordinary collection of contemporary art and, with Kelly O’Connor as co-curator, have organized the exhibition to demonstrate its breadth, as well as Linda’s vision as a collector. *Pace Gems* aims to accurately reflect Pace’s overarching collection criteria, which focused on artists linked with the Artpace residency program and its related Hudson Show Room exhibitions, as well as other internationally recognized artists,” Reilly explains. In addition to local San Antonio and regional artists, such as Forrest Bess, Franco Mondini-Ruiz, John Pomara, Linda Pace, and Dario Robleto, other select artworks in *Pace Gems* include Catherine Opie, Donald Moffett, Lynda Benglis, Kendell Geers, Teresita Fernandez, Mona Hatoum, Jim Hodges, Yayoi Kusama, Daniel Joseph Martinez, Marilyn Minter, Glenn Ligon, Nancy Spero, and Wangechi Mutu. The Foundation’s newest acquisition, a monumental sculpture by Andrea Bowers, *Memorial to Arcadia Woodlands Clear-Cut* (2013), will

be included in the *Pace Gems* exhibition. *Pace Gems* will remain on view through Saturday, September 13, 2014.

OPENING WEEKEND SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, APRIL 18, 2014

Press Preview: 3PM–4PM

Opening Reception & Community Celebration: 7PM–9PM

SATURDAY, APRIL 19, 2014

Panel Discussion, 3PM: Maura Reilly will moderate a panel of select artists from the exhibition, including Andrea Bowers, Daniel Joseph Martinez, and Donald Moffett.

LOCATION

SPACE is located in the northeast corner of CHRISpark. Entrance is at 111 Camp Street, San Antonio, TX 78204.

SPACE GALLERY HOURS

Wednesday–Saturday, 12PM–5PM. SPACE is free and open to the public.

PACE GEMS

On view April 18–September 13, 2014

ABOUT THE LINDA PACE FOUNDATION

The Linda Pace Foundation is committed to the charitable vision of its founder. Guided by the donor's conviction that contemporary art is essential to a dynamic society, the Linda Pace Foundation fosters the creation, presentation, and understanding of innovative expression through contemporary art. Grants support the operation of Artpace, CHRISpark, the public exhibition of Pace's contemporary art collection, and the work of contemporary artists.

ABOUT CHRISPARK

CHRISpark is one-acre, public park located at 111 Camp Street, adjacent to the Linda Pace Foundation offices. The park features lush foliage, inviting walkways, areas of repose, sites of play and encounters with contemporary art. Maintained by the Linda Pace Foundation, the park celebrates the life of Linda's son Chris with examples of nature's beauty and artistic moments.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Artist Talk: Franco Mondini-Ruiz – Saturday, May 2, 2014, 2PM

Artist Talk: Dario Robleto – Saturday, June 14, 2014, 2PM

Artist Talk: Teresita Fernandez – Saturday, September 6, 2014, 2PM

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