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Bertha M. Roddey Center for Art, Research, and Education in Catawba, SC, Features Works by Jerry Taliaferro

Photographer Jerry Taliaferro will open his project, *Women Of A New Tribe*, at the new Bertha M. Roddey Center for Art, Research, and Education in Catawba, SC, on Oct. 2, 2002. The exhibit has just ended a very successful run at the Afro-American Center in Charlotte, NC, where it was embraced by an awestruck community. The exhibit which will run through Dec. 6, 2002, is a photographic celebration of the black American women we see around everyday.

The show will feature approximately 40 black and white images reminiscent of the classic glamour photographic style of 1930's and 1940's Hollywood. Included in this exhibit will be the images of a number of women from the Catawba, area who have made contributions to their respective communities. This study of African American women whose physical traits vary so widely is also an examination of how we define beauty.

The meticulous and dramatic lighting used in the making of these images lays bare for the viewer the very essence of the beauty of the subjects. The 'Women Of A New Tribe project is more than a celebration of black American beauty, it is a celebration of the beauty that God gives all women.

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