



***New Exhibit—Behold the People: R.C. Hickman’s Photographs
of Black Dallas, 1949-1961—
Opens at Old Red on Saturday, January 30***

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(Dallas, Texas)—Beginning January 30, 2010, the Old Red Museum of Dallas County History & Culture will present “Behold the People: R.C. Hickman’s Photographs of Black Dallas, 1949–1961,” an exhibition by the Dolph Briscoe Center for American History, The University of Texas at Austin, presented in partnership with Humanities Texas, the state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

R.C. Hickman was a Dallas photographer whose thousands of images produced from 1949 to 1961 document aspects of life in an African American community in Texas. His photographs depict a community largely invisible to white Americans—thoroughly a part of mainstream America by virtue of accomplishment and lifestyle but excluded from it because of race.

Mr. Hickman worked as a commercial portrait photographer, a photojournalist for several black newspapers in Dallas, a freelance photographer for national black publications such as *Jet*, *Sepia* and *Ebony* and a photographer for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP). His images reveal his awareness of a community within which individuals survive, grow and understand themselves.

The exhibition will be available to the public from January 30 – April 25. For more information about viewing hours or to arrange group visits, contact Old Red’s Group Sales department at (214) 757-1949.

Humanities Texas develops and supports diverse programs across the state, including lectures, oral history projects, teacher institutes, museum exhibitions and documentary films. For more information, please visit Humanities Texas online at <http://www.humanitiestexas.org> or call 512.440.1991.

The Old Red Museum of Dallas County History & Culture is located in the West End of downtown Dallas at 100 South Houston Street in the beautifully restored Old Red Courthouse built in 1892. Dedicated to inspire and educate visitors about the rich and varied cultural, economic, political and social history of the Dallas County area, the 2nd floor of Old Red is filled with interactive exhibits, an educational learning center, and four mini theaters. The special exhibit gallery is located on the first floor. Admission to *Behold the People* is included in general admission. General admission is \$8 for adults, \$6 for seniors, and \$5 for children ages three to sixteen. Admission to *Behold the People* without general admission is \$3 for adults and \$1 for children. Admission is **free for Museum members**. The Museum is open seven days a week, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Early Bird admission pricing of \$5 is offered on Sundays from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. For group reservations, corporate meetings/outings or weddings call 214-757-1949. For more information, visit www.oldred.org.