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Curator and Artists Panel
NeoHooDoo: Art for a Forgotten Faith
February 22, 2009 3-5PM

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WHERE: Miami Art Museum Auditorium, 101 West Flagler, Miami

WHEN: Sunday February 22, 2009, 3-5pm

BACKGROUND:

Franklin Sirmans, curator of the exhibition, will moderate a panel of four of the artists whose work is on view in *NeoHooDoo*: **Amalia Mesa-Bains** and **Radcliffe Bailey** along with Miami-based **José Bedia** and **William Cordova**. Panelists will discuss several of the central themes represented in the exhibition, including the ways spirituality informs contemporary issues, the role of spirituality or “spirit” in modern art, and the distinctive qualities of these concerns in the Americas.

Franklin Sirmans is curator of modern and contemporary art at Houston's Menil Collection. In 2007, he received the David C. Drickell Prize from the Atlanta High Museum of Art. Named after the renowned African American artist and art scholar, the Driskell Prize recognizes a scholar or artist in the beginning or middle of his or her career whose work makes an original and important contribution to the field of African American art or art history.

Admission:

\$5 for MAM members and students with valid ID; \$10 for nonmembers. Includes Museum admission

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