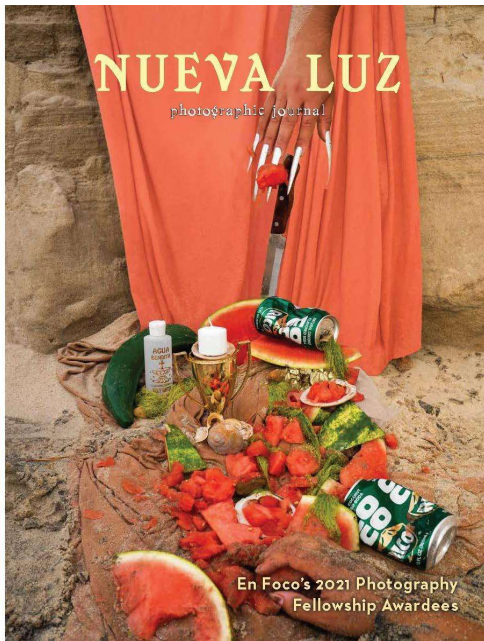




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En Foco Announces *Nueva Luz* Summer 2021 edition curated by artist/curator Elia Alba & featuring the 2021 Photography Fellowship Winners

Available June 1, 2021, in print and online editions with essays by Elia Alba and artist/activist Shellyne Rodriguez



(Bronx, NY - May 15, 2021) En Foco is proud to announce **Elia Alba** as curator of its summer 2021 issue of the *Nueva Luz* journal. Now in its 36th year, the journal features the work of both promising and accomplished photographers of color who have been awarded the prestigious annual En Foco Photography Fellowship. In addition to Alba's essay, "In Between Yesterday Today and Tomorrow," the issue also includes **Shellyne Rodriguez's** contribution, "On the Value of Visibility: Reflections on Decolonialized Attempts at Photography."

Bill Aguado, En Foco's Executive Director states: "*Nueva Luz's* long-standing mission of advancing the professional status of contemporary photographers of diverse backgrounds and cultures remains as relevant as ever as our 2021 summer edition addresses the imperatives of race, gender, and geography—issues at the fore of photography today."

The issue will also introduce En Foco's inaugural **Media Arts Work-In-Progress Fund**, an annual juried competition that recognizes five artists of color working in film, video, interactive processes, digital, sound, and experimental practices in photography and moving image that are not solely lens-based.

This year's En Foco Fellowship awardees include Richard Acevedo, Argenis Apolinario, Roy Baizan, Daveed Baptiste, Kevin Quiles Bonilla, Amarise Carreras, Vinay Hira, Sydney King, Spandita Malik, and Bashira Webb. The inaugural Media Arts Work-in-Progress Award winners are: Najiyah Edun, Janah Elise, Justine Reyes, Betty Yu, and the collective of Jaclyn Reyes, Diana Diroy, Will Simbol, and Joyelle Cabato.

The accompanying exhibition, "In Between Yesterday Today and Tomorrow," also curated by Alba will be on view from June 1 - June 30, 2021 at Wallworks New York, 15 Canal Place, The Bronx, NY 10451. Opening Reception June 1, 2021. Issues of *Nueva Luz* will be available for sale at the opening reception. Viewing is available by appointment Tues-Thur. at: <https://www.wallworksnyc.com/book-online> or by email at: info@enfoco.org.

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