



Antillean Visions: Maps and the Making of the Caribbean

Opens February 2 at the Lowe

Rare and beautiful maps provide fascinating views of the political, social, and economic influences that have shaped the region.

Miami, FL, (January 11, 2017) - The Lowe Art Museum unveils a spectacular exhibition of rare and historically significant maps of the Caribbean on February 2, 2018: *Antillean Visions: Maps and the Making of the Caribbean*. The almost 200 works in the exhibition are culled from the Lowe's permanent collection; University of Miami Libraries – Special Collections; UM's Cuban Heritage Collection and the Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Science library; as well as various other institutions including HistoryMiami Museum, the La Jolla Map Museum, FIU's Wolfsonian Museum, and the Kislak Foundation. A free public reception will open the exhibition on Friday, February 2 at 7:00 pm (rsvp@lowemuseum.org).

By tracing the making of maps over five centuries, *Antillean Visions* shows how various historical actors have sought to navigate, explore, profit from, and assert dominion over the Caribbean. This holds true whether the map was used for colonial claims in the 16th century or to sell vacation real estate in the 20th. Indeed, the political, ideological, economic, and social resonances of maps continue to influence our views of the region today.

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About Lowe Art Museum

The Lowe Art Museum (www.lowe.miami.edu) is located on the campus of the University of Miami at 1301 Stanford Drive, Coral Gables, Florida. With a permanent

collection of 19,000 objects spanning 5,000 years of world culture, the Lowe is committed to serving as a vital resource for education and enrichment through art. Its dynamic permanent and temporary exhibitions establish the Lowe as a keeper of memories, a showcase for masterworks, an igniter of awe and wonder, and a bridge between yesterday and today.

Museum gallery hours are Tuesday to Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. The Museum is closed on Mondays and University holidays. General Admission (not including programs) is \$12.50, \$8 for senior citizens and non-UM students, and free for Lowe members, UM students, faculty and staff, and children under 12. Admission is free on Donation Day, the first Tuesday of every month. For more information, call 305-284-3535, follow us on Twitter at [@loweartmuseum](https://twitter.com/loweartmuseum), follow us on [Facebook.com/loweartmuseum](https://www.facebook.com/loweartmuseum), follow us on Instagram on loweartmuseum, or visit lowe.miami.edu.

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