

THE KWAME BRATHWAITE ARCHIVE

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Kwame Brathwaite
Untitled (Grandassa Models in Studio), 1972 c.
Archival pigment print, mounted and framed
30 x 30 in
76.2 x 76.2 cm

You can support the mission of The Kwame Brathwaite Archive. As Brathwaite's son, Kwame S. Brathwaite, writes, "Kwame Brathwaite was about empowering people to see the beauty in themselves. We continue to do this work through the Kwame Brathwaite Archive, the 501(c)3 we formed in his honor. In order to fully realize the breadth of his work, we will continue to catalogue, preserve, educate and inspire."

The Kwame Brathwaite Archive, a 501(c)3, was established to preserve the works of photographer Kwame Brathwaite and to further his mission to show "the beauty of our people" and to preserve black culture. With a career spanning over six decades, Brathwaite became known as the "Keeper of the Images". His archive documents the history of African and African American culture, throughout the diaspora. With a global reach and a focus on the intersection of politics, fashion, music and activism, his work provides a view into history that is vital to the present day conversation around equity and empowerment. The goal of the organization is to preserve, educate and elevate. In doing so the Archive aims to serve as a source of education while continuing to inspire the next generation of creators in whatever form they choose to empower others.