

On exhibit
November 1 - November 19, 2011

The Legacy: A Daughter's Experience of the Holocaust

A Photo Essay by Beth Burstein

The Hampshire College Art Gallery
Johnson Library Center
893 West Street
Amherst, MA 01002

M-F 10:30-4:30, Sat-Sun 2-5
Opening reception November 1, 5-7 pm
Artist's talk 5:30 pm

www.hampshire.edu/library/gallery.htm
www.adaughterslegacy.com



From "I Thought It Would Feel Like Home"



From "The Family Heirloom"

"Two related series of color photographs explore Burstein's dual identity as an American born well after World War II and as the daughter of a Holocaust survivor. Intimate and public, these images function at the margins of both the documentary and fine art.

"The Family Heirloom" is comprised of images Burstein took of her father's concentration camp uniform and her relationship to this family heirloom.... The second, related series "I Thought It Would Feel Like Home", focuses on the 2005 pilgrimage Burstein made with a small group of her relatives to their family's former homeland in Lithuania. In her search to find the remnants of her father's and his family's lives in Lithuania, Burstein juxtaposes townscapes and images of the sometimes hidden memorials to Lithuania's Jewish victims of the Holocaust with her evocative writing about memory, history, presence, and erasure."

-Sura Levine, curator
Professor of Art History
Hampshire College