

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:****Beth Burstein's "The Legacy: A Daughter's Experience of the Holocaust" in the Library Gallery, Hampshire College, 1 November – 19 November, 2011**

Beth Burstein, *The Family Heirloom*, 1997

Beth Burstein 78F, an alumna of Hampshire College, will present a photographic and textual exhibition entitled "The Legacy: A Daughter's Experience of the Holocaust" from 1 to 19 November, 2011 in the Main Gallery in the Library at Hampshire College. 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. She has written of this project: "I have been working on ['The Family Heirloom'] since 1997 when I first donned my father's concentration camp uniform (which he kept since his liberation in 1945). Perhaps it was no accident his uniform fit me perfectly as his family's experiences during that time are a deep part of me and always will be." 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