

Join AAUW Tarrant County Branch
In Partnership with the Fort Worth Library
Celebrating Women's History Month

Thursday, MARCH 20, 2014

(Yes, **Thursday** this month only)

5:30 Registration - 5:45 Dinner (YWCA catered)

Chappell Meeting Room - off Art Gallery

6:30-7:30 Program- Tandy Lecture Hall

Fort Worth Central Library
500 West Third - downtown Fort Worth
(see map for directions and parking)

Guest Speaker: **Dr. Andrew Walker**, Director, Amon Carter Museum of American Art

**"From Idea to Institution: Ruth Carter Stevenson and the Invention of the
Museum Experience in Fort Worth"**

Amon Carter Sr. died shortly after deciding that an art museum, free to all, would be built to house his collection. His daughter, Ruth (Carter Stevenson), took up the challenge to realize that dream, and over the course of five decades made the Amon Carter Museum of American Art not only a national treasure for important masterworks of American art, but also the origin of Fort Worth's Cultural District. As she once said, "For America's first settlers, the East was the West...and we will build [a collection] to include the whole concept of the term 'Western'." Balancing regional strength with national ambition, Mrs. Stevenson's determination and strategic thinking turned her father's idea into an institution and made Fort Worth a city of international cultural distinction. This presentation looks at how that transformation occurred, and why the Amon Carter Museum of American Art continues to influence the American art world!

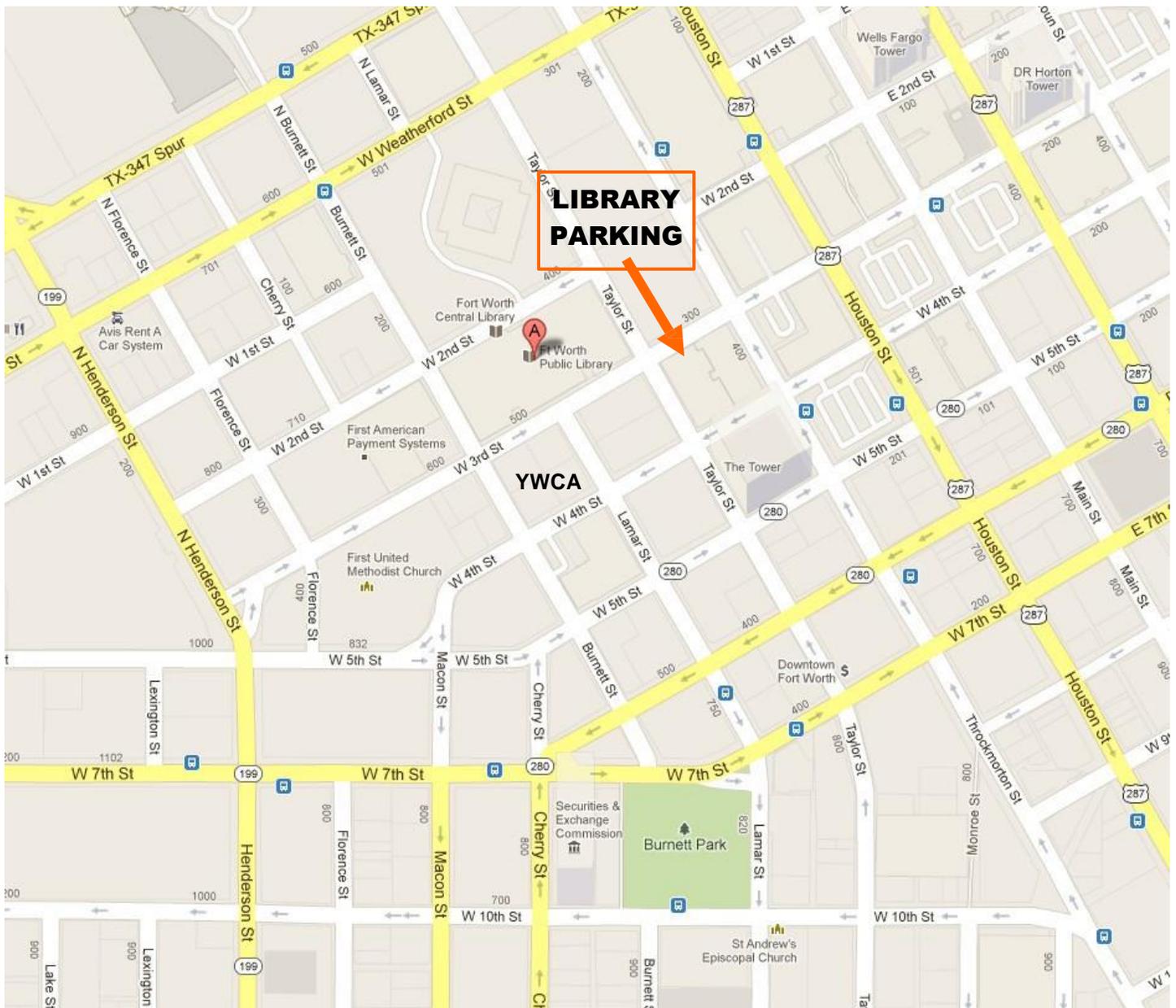
COST: \$15.00 per person (no shows will be billed)

RSVP: Reservations due by Monday, March 17 by 6pm.

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PARKING: map and directions are attached

FORT WORTH CENTRAL LIBRARY MAP



The Central Library is located downtown at the intersection of 3rd and Taylor at 500 W. Third St. (817-871-7323) and is open until 8pm. Recommended **parking** is the 3rd Street Garage at 3rd & Taylor (past the Quiznos sign). If you park in the garage, bring your parking ticket for Library validation. (2 1/2 hours) There are also parking meters around the library with free parking after 6pm.

Enter the Library front doors and proceed down the hall. Stop at the counter to get your parking pass validated- before or after lecture. At the end of hall, turn right and enter the Art Gallery. The Chappel Meeting Room is in this area.