

Notions of the body

Photography is one of the most popular mediums of visual art in Cayman. Over the last few years the National Gallery has held arts summer shows that invite local photographers to contribute around a set theme. Attendance numbers for these exhibitions have been among the largest to date and a similar exhibition will be hosted this summer entitled *Body Talk*.

More than any other means of visual communi-

cation photography has done much to shape our notions of the human body, determining how we think about others and ourselves. While photographs may seem straightforward documents of the visual world, they often carry strong symbolic content, both intentional and unintentional, on the part of the photographers. From the simplest to the most symbolically complex depictions a range of issues emerge, including ones of per-

sonal identity, culture, sexuality, politics, morality and gender.

This exhibition invites all local artists and photographers to explore this range of issues through photographic representations of the body.

For those interested in participating in the show there will be a meeting at the National Gallery, Harbour Place on Tuesday 16 March at 5.30pm. For information call 945 8111 or emmaillcurator.ng@candw.ky.