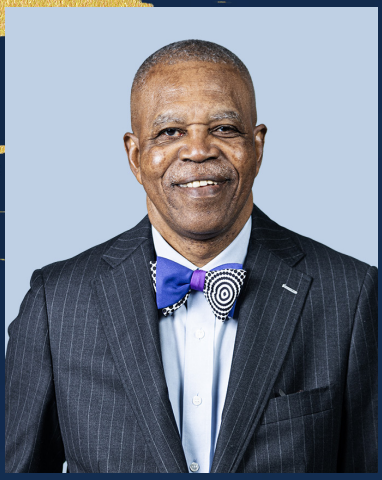


# Eluster Richardson

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Eluster Richardson has been creating art that profoundly resonates with viewers for decades. His work, often described as 'uplifting, inspiring, and enlightening,' masterfully captures the soul of his subjects, showcasing his exceptional skill in watercolor.

Growing up in the Lake Jackson area during the 1950s, Eluster attended both Tallahassee Community College and Florida State University. A lifelong painter, his career has been marked by numerous accolades and prominent exhibitions, including the Museum of Florida History, the LeMoyne Art Foundation, the Florida State Museum of Art, and the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C.

In 2019, Eluster presented his critically acclaimed show, "From the Forgotten Coast to the Red Hills," at the Phipps Gallery of the Tallahassee Museum. The exhibition explored the ecological and natural history of two distinct yet interconnected regions: the biologically rich Forgotten Coast, stretching from Mexico Beach to St. Marks, and the scenic pine uplands of the Red Hills between Thomasville, Georgia, and Tallahassee. Through these evocative landscapes, Eluster preserved the fading traces of these environments, safeguarding their memory for future generations.

Today, Eluster works from his art studio in his hometown of Tallahassee. He is a former President of the Tallahassee Watercolor Society and has served as Artist in Residence at the Riley House Museum and Resource Center of African American History and Culture, where a collection of his historical works is housed.