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## **Education:**

MFA - The School of the Art Institute of Chicago. Chicago, IL. (2006) BFA - University of Texas at San Antonio. San Antonio, TX. (1999) Texas Secondary Level Certification (6-12) Texas A & M International University. Laredo, TX. (2002)

## **Upcoming Events:**

2024 2024 Border Biennial, El Paso Museum of Art. El Paso, TX. Curated by Claudia S. Preza.

2023 Group Exhibits: Son de Allá, Son de Acá, Chicano Park. San Diego, NM.

The exhibition is organized by Texas native Rigoberto Luna, California native Ricardo

Islas and New Mexico native Vicente Telles. (Oct)

Curate: The Border is a Weapon. Point of Contact Gallery. Syracuse, NY. (Sept)

Book: Texas Artists Today (Volume 2). Written by Catherine Anspon

## 1 or 2 Person Exhibitions:

2023 2<sup>nd</sup> Place. Gerald Peters Gallery. Santa Fe, NM.

CTRL+X Composed/desCompuestos. Gil Rocha & Cande Aguilar (2 Person Exhibit)

2023 SoCur. Fort Worth, TX. Curated by: Maritza Bautista

2022 Kirk Hopper Gallery (Dallas, TX.)

2 Person Exhibition: With Victor Calise Blanchard

Curated by: Susie Kalil

2020 Presa House Gallery; San Antonio, TX. Curated by Rigoberto Luna.

http://presahouse.com/portfolio/august-2020/

https://glasstire.com/2020/08/27/top-five-august-27-2020/

2019 Calzetiers (7.5' X 90' Mural). Laredo, TX.

Sponsored by The Laredo Arts Commission for the City of Laredo.

Cocinando Recuerdos (8' X 20 Mural). Laredo, TX.

Twofold. Rubio South Gallery; San Antonio, TX.

Curated by Nina Hassele

https://www.sacurrent.com/ArtSlut/archives/2017/07/06/twofold-brings-visual-destruction-to-rubio-gallery-south

2017 The Reason and the End. The Museum of Pocket Art. San Antonio, TX.

Curated by Robert Jackson Harrington

http://glasstire.com/events/2017/02/28/museum-of-pocket-art-gil-rocha-rochelli/

2015-16 The History of Cotulla (14' X 96' Mural). Cotulla, TX.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UPaflggZipM

2015 Masticando Color Candy con los Eyes. Estacion Palabra Gabriel Garcia Marquez.

Nuevo Laredo, Tam. Mexico

http://www.hoytamaulipas.net/notas/195410/Celebran-mes-de-la-Herencia-Hispana-en-Nuevo-Laredo.html

2014 The Tacos are Here. Zoya Tommy Contemporary. Houston, TX.

Exhibition Review by Robert Boyd

http://www.thegreatgodpanisdead.com/2014/01/burnt-plastic-abstraction-by-qil-rocha.html

### **Collective Exhibitions**

2023 In Pursuit of a Dream. Gerald Peters Gallery. Santa Fe, NM.

Son de Allá, Son de Acá; El Chante, Casa de Cultura; Albuquerque, NM. The exhibition is organized by Texas native Rigoberto Luna, California native Ricardo Islas and New Mexico native Vicente Telles. <a href="https://www.elchantecasadecultura.org/calendar/son-de-all-son-de-ac">https://www.elchantecasadecultura.org/calendar/son-de-all-son-de-ac</a>

When the Stones Speak. Sala Diaz, San Antonio, TX.

Curated by: Adonay Bermudez

Soy de Tejas. Centro de Artes Gallery, San Antonio, TX.

Curated by: Rigoberto Luna

2022 Desde la Frontera. Dock Space Annex @ Lonestar Art District; San Antonio, TX.

Curated by Juan de Dios Mora

Son de Allá, Son de Acá. El Chante, Casa de Cultura; Albuquerque, NM.

Curated by Rigoberto Luna, Ricardo Islas and Vicente Telles.

https://www.elchantecasadecultura.org/calendar/son-de-all-son-de-ac

2021 "Across" in Collaboration w/ MariconX. Urban Arts Center; Dallas, TX.

Curated by: Jose Villalobos

Museo del Barrio (New York)

"ESTAMOS BIEN -LA TRIENAL 20/21"

March 13 – September 26, 2021

Curated by El Museo's Chief Curator Rodrigo Moura; Curator, Susanna V. Temkin; and Guest

Curator, Elia Alba. Exhibited under the collaboration of "The Museum of Pocket Art"

(Curator: Roberto Jackson Harrington)

Presa House Gallery; San Antonio, TX.

"5th Year Anniversary Exhibition"

2019 MOPA Traveling Spring Exhibit. Tryon Arts & Crafts School; Tryon, NC.

Curated by Robert Jackson Harrington

2018 5<sup>th</sup> Transborder Biennial. El Paso Museum of Art; El Paso, TX. & Museo de Art de Ciudad Juarez;

Ciudad Juarez, Mexico.

Curated by Kate Green.

https://epma.art/art/border-biennial

Icons and Symbols of the Borderlands. Brownsville Museum of Fine Arts; Brownsville, TX.

Curated by Diana Molina.

https://glasstire.com/events/2018/01/23/icons-and-symbols-of-the-borderland-2/

2017 Texas Biennial 17. Independent Space; Austin, TX. Curated by Leslie Moody Castro

http://texasbiennial.org/

https://www.austinchronicle.com/arts/2017-10-27/2017-texas-biennial/

Show Up. Zoya Tommy Contemporary; Houston, TX.

IV Art Space Retrospective (1998-2002): Presa House Gallery; San Antonio, TX.

2015 Selections from the Mexic-Arte Museum Contemporary Art Collection.

Mexic-Arte Museum. Austin, TX.

http://www.mexic-artemuseum.org/images/uploads/education/Contemporary Collection Gallery Guide.pdf

Gently Fried. Mexican American Cultural Center. Austin, TX.

Curated by: Los Outsiders

http://diversity.utexas.edu/news/2015/06/12/gently-fried-art-exhibition-sparks-dialogue-about-austin-gentrification/

#### **Curatorial Experience**

2023 *Contemporary Art Month "CAM" Perennial*, Trinity University – Michael and Noemi K. Neidorff Art Gallery, San Antonio, TX.

2022 The Border is a Weapon. Laredo Center for the Arts; Laredo, TX. (July-Aug.)

Video Tour: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uO1WM8foz3k">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uO1WM8foz3k</a> Art Talk: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t1a7dQWp9Js">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t1a7dQWp9Js</a>

The Border is a Weapon. Gallery 937; Pittsburgh, PA. (January)

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https://www.otherborderwallproject.com/the-border-is-a-weapon

2018 Young Latino Artists 23; Beyond Walls – Between Gates – Under Bridges. Mexic-Arte Museum of Art; Austin, TX.

#### Conferences/Lectures/Art Talks/Residencies

2023 Residency: Flower Shop Residency. Brownsville, TX.

Art Talk: Material, Motive, & Multiplicity. The Contemporary Austin.

Moderator: Michael Anthony Garcia

2022 Lecture: Works of Gil Rocha. University of Texas in San Antonio. Fine Arts Dept.

Hosted by Juan de Dios Mora.

Conference: International Sculpture Conference (Online) "Identity, Race & Culture: Misconceptions along la Frontera" With Angel Cabrales, Jose Villalobos, Salvador de la Torre.

2021 Conference: "Walls, Bridges & Borders in the Americas" (Online)

Texas A&M International University (Laredo, TX.)
With Marcela Moran, Maritza Bautista & Adolfo Mora

# **Published Work**

2021 Issue 6. <a href="http://passagevision.com/">http://passagevision.com/</a> Curated by Susie Kalil

2020 Maake Magazine Online: Issue 11 "Conversations" Section.

Curated by Tanya Gayer. Interview by Nancy Kim.

https://www.maakemagazine.com/gil-rocha