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Visual Artist, Art Handler/Gallery Worker, Educator, Co-Organizer for Undocumented Projects

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Education

School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Bachelors in Fine Arts, 2015 - 2018, Chicago

Harold Washington Chicago Community College, Associates Degree, 2012 - 2015, Chicago

Awards

- 2024 **Yollocalli Artist Fund For Alumni**, Yollocalli Arts Reach, Chicago
- 2022 **Breakout Artists 2022: Chicago's Next Generation of Image Makers**, Newcity, Chicago
- 2018 **One: Emerging Artists Grant**, Cleve Carney Art Gallery, College of DuPage, Glen Ellyn, IL.
Student Leadership Award, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago
- 2017 **Idea Grant**, Student Government from the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago
Caxton Club Grant, Newberry Library, Chicago

Residencies

- 2024 **Latitude Chicago**, One Month Residency In October, Chicago, IL
- 2023 **Center Program 10**, Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago, IL
- 2020 **Tanda Fall 2020**, Chuquimarca Projects, Chicago
- 2018 **Core Residency** (September 2018-April 2019), Chicago Art Department, Chicago
- 2017 **Yollocalli's Yollo Lab** (2017 – Present), Yollocalli Arts Reach, Chicago

Solo Exhibitions

- 2024 **Condition Report**, Yes Project Space, Chicago
- 2019 **Clearance**, Chicago Art Department, Chicago
- 2018 **WaiOng For Clearance**, Adler & Floyd Gallery, Chicago
- 2015 **Yearning**, Pilsen Outpost Gallery and Shop, Chicago

Selected Group Exhibition

- 2023 **Beneath the Visible**, Curated by Silvia Ines Gonzalez, Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago, IL
Design & Art 15, Curated by Dennissa Young, Dock 6, Chicago, IL
Giving Shape: Yollocalli Artistic Practice Through the Years, Curated by Marina M. Álvarez at the National Museum of Mexican Art, Chicago
Citizen, Curated by Sam Kirk at Lubeznik Center of the Arts, Michigan City, IN.
- 2022 **Magic of Community**, Chicago Art Department's Crystal Ball 2022, Chicago
Sequence, Iteration, and Permutations (SIP), Curated by Jasper Goodrich at Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago
Springboard, Alberto Aguilar's Mayfield Studio, Forest Park IL
Newcity Breakout Artists 2022, Chicago Artists Coalition, Chicago
- 2021 **Bridges Not Borders**, Curated by Chema Skandl at Dark Horse Art Bar, Madison WI
RAISIN, Curated by Asha Man Veal at 6018North Aligned with The Available City as a partner program of the Chicago Architecture Biennial, Chicago
Arte Cultura y Resistencia, Curated by Brown 'n' Loud at Chicago Art Department, Chicago
Same But Different, School of the Arts Gallery at Indiana University Northwest, Gary IN.
- 2020 **The Long Dream**, work presented by Quarantine Times Magazine, Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago.
Templates for Public Art Volume 3, Limited Time Engagement, Chicago
In Flux: Chicago Artists and Immigration, collaboration Project with Silvia Inés Gonzalez and Patricia Nguyen, Chicago Cultural Center, Chicago
Voting Kits for the Disenfranchised!, collaboration with Aram Han Sifuentes, Chicago, LA, Denver
- 2019 **Recalentada**, CAD Think-Tank Program, Chicago Art Department
Chicago Art Book Fair, with Flatland Press, Chicago Athletic Assoc., Chicago
Depart, Terrain Exhibitions, James Jankowiak's residence, Chicago
Lit & Luz Festival, as part of Undocumented Projects, Comfort Station, Chicago
Port of Call, Chicago Art Department, Chicago
- 2018 **Living – Architecture**, collaboration Project with Silvia Inés Gonzalez and Patricia Nguyen, North 6018, Chicago
Base Line: The Next Stop, Axis Lab, Chicago
Core Residents Exhibition, Chicago Art Department, Chicago
One Emerging Artist Exhibit, Cleve Carney Art Gallery, College of DuPage, Glen Ellyn, IL.
Peeling the Grey, National Museum of Mexican Art's Chicago Gallery, Chicago
Missingless (SAIC BFA Select Curated Show), LeRoy Nieman Lobby at SAIC, Chicago
In Motion: Performance and Unsealing Borders, Northwestern University, Chicago
Spring BFA Show, Sullivan Galleries of the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago
- 2017 **Rise from the Rubble, Weather the Winds: Fundraiser/Auction**, Chicago Artist Coalition, Chicago
"NO": Igniting Oppositional Consciousness, URI-EICHEN Gallery, Chicago
Underground Justice, Fuerza del Sol at St. Paul Basement Hall, Chicago
Somos Sur/ Somos Norte/ Somos UNIDX, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago
- 2016 **In - Between**, Gallery X, Chicago
Official Unofficial Voting Station, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago
Official Unofficial Voting Station, James Addams Hull-House Museum, Chicago
Everything Was Beautiful (Pilsen Open Studios), La Catrina Café, Chicago
Immigration, Julia De Burgos Lang Cultural Center, New York City

- 2015 **Unidos**, Side Street Studio Arts, Elgin, IL
Brown Profile (Spring of Latino Art Now), Benton House, Chicago
Sketchmas, Pilsen Outpost Gallery and Shop, Chicago
- 2014 **Hood Surreal (10th Annual Villarte)**, Las Artelitas, Chicago
I Left My Wallet En La Cermak, Pilsen Outpost Gallery and Shop, Chicago
Noche De Familia, Northeastern Illinois University, Chicago
Community & Luchadores (9th Annual Villarte), Ageless Arts Tattoos, Chicago
South Side, Our Side: The Beautiful Struggle, Las Artelitas, Chicago
- 2013 **The Cardboard Show**, Project Onward, Chicago
Life On Paper (Chicago Artist Month), Nite Cap Coffee Bar, Chicago
- 2012 **Pilsen Open Studios**, Yollocalli Arts Reach, Chicago

Performances

- 2018 **In Progress: A Last, A Loved, A Long**, collaboration with Uditah Upadhyaya and Lindsey Barlag Thornton, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago
Base Line: The Next Stop, Axis Lab, Chicago
Brown People Are the Wrens in the Parking Lot: Body Be-Longing, Reva and David Logan Center for the Arts, Chicago
- 2017 **Thawalls**, Navy Pier Chicago, Chicago
- 2016 **The Drifting Body: Mythical Selves and Ghosting**, Garland Gallery, Chicago Cultural Center, Chicago
The Drifting Body: Subjectivity and The Law, MANA Contemporary, Chicago
The Arts Club of Chicago at 100: Centennial Open House, The Arts Club of Chicago, Chicago
Mexico Film Festival: Censorship and Free Speech, OPEN Center for the Arts, Chicago
Conscious Rise: Exploring and Challenging Social Community Issues, Las Artelitas, Chicago
- 2015 **Corner Store: A Co-op to Help Feed the People**, Carlos and Dominguez Gallery, Chicago
Crossing Boundaries, The Arts Club of Chicago, Chicago

Public Art

- 2022 **Needed, But Not Wanted (In Masses)**, Mana Contemporary's Mind Maps, Chicago
- 2019 **Lit & Luz Festival**, as part of Undocumented Projects, Comfort Station, Chicago
Depart, Terrain Exhibitions, James Jankowiak's residence, Chicago
Anonymous Recording Booth, as a part of the Undocumented Projects and The Nomadic Cube Project, 18th Street and Pauline Street
- 2017 **Ready? Set? Go! Postcard Typewriting Intervention**, as a part of the Undocumented Projects, Chicago
 - La Catrina Café
 - School of the Art Institute of Chicago
 - National Museum of Mexican Art**Far Beyond**, Corkery Elementary School, Chicago
Mother Nature, McCormick Elementary School, Chicago
Together We Fly Higher, Cardenas Elementary School, Chicago
- 2015 **Away**, Bucio Residence, Chicago
Vámonos, Pilsen Outpost Gallery and Shop, Chicago
Coffee at Nite, Nite Cap Coffee Bar, Chicago
- 2014 **Chicago**, Harold Washington Chicago Community College, Chicago
Remembering Mayahuel (Collab), Morenos Liquor Store, Yollocalli Arts Reach, Chicago
Bonita Finca de Adobe (Collab), Tony's Fashion, Yollocalli Arts Reach, Chicago
Bidi Bidi Bom Bom (Collab), Supermercado Cuauhtemoc, Yollocalli Arts Reach, Chicago

Published Material

- 2019 **Clearance: A Drawn Zine Catalog**, Chicago
- 2018 **Survival Kit (Artist Book)** as part of the Undocumented Projects, Chicago
- 2017 **Undocu-Ally (zine)**, as part of the Undocumented Projects, Chicago
- Scored On The Go (zine)**, Chicago
- Napkin Maps (zine)**, Chicago
- DUAL (zine)**, Chicago

Lectures

- 2023 **How To Sell Your Work**, Marwen, Chicago, IL
- 2018 **Galeria Night**, St. Laurence High School, Burbank, IL.
- 2017 **Research Studio Class**, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago
- 2016 **Borders and Barriers**, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago
- Art Class Visiting Alumni Arts**, St. Laurence High School, Chicago

Teaching

- 2021 **Zine Design on Procreate**, Apple Chicago, Chicago
- Zine Making**, Yollocalli Arts Reach, Chicago
- 2019 **Residency Facilitator**, Responding to Immigration and Displacement, Chicago Art department, Chicago
- Teaching Artist in Residence**, Yollo Lab, Bookmaking Class, Yollocalli Arts Reach, Chicago
- 2018-21 **Teaching Artist**, Visual Art, St. Laurence High School, Burbank, IL.
- 2018 **Co-Teaching Artist**, Advance Painting and Drawing, After School Mahers' Lutz Family Center, Chicago
- 2017 **Teaching Assistant**, Spray Runners, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago
- Co-Teaching Artist**, Mural Internship, Yollocalli Arts Reach, Chicago
- Teaching Assistant**, Drawing Studio, Early College Program, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago
- 2016 **Co-Teaching Artist**, Walls of Hope, Elevarte, Chicago
- Teaching Assistant**, Experimental Drawing, Early College Program, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago
- Teaching Assistant**, Art and Street Culture, Early College Program, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago
- 2015 **Co-Teaching Artist**, Walls of Hope, Elevarte, Chicago
- 2014 **Lead Teaching Artist**, Drawing and Painting, ENLACE Chicago, Chicago
- 2013 **Co-Teaching Artist**, Street Art and Graffiti, Socorro Sandoval Elementary School, Yollocalli Arts Reach, Chicago
- 2012 **Teaching Assistant**, Mural Painting, Socorro Sandoval Elementary School, Yollocalli Arts Reach, Chicago

2011 **Teaching Assistant**, Comic Book, Socorro Sandoval Elementary School, Yollocalli Arts Reach, Chicago

Curatorial

- 2017 **YOLLOCALLI'S 20TH BIRTHDAY PARTY**, (Curator Assistant/Installer), Co-Prosperity Sphere, Chicago
- HOME**, (Co-Curator), SITE Galleries, Chicago
- Art Pavilion 2017** (Co-Chair), Fiesta del Sol, Pilsen Neighbors Community Council, Chicago
- 2016 **Art Pavilion 2016** (Co-Chair), Fiesta del Sol, Pilsen Neighbors Community Council, Chicago
- 2014 **St. Paul Art Expo** (Co-Curator), St. Paul Roman Catholic Church, Chicago

Related Occupations

2022 - Present **SAIC Department of Exhibitions and Exhibition Studies**, Assistant Director of Exhibitions and Staff Advisor for SITE Galleries and INCUBATOR, Chicago

2021 **SAIC Department of Exhibitions and Exhibition Studies**, Gallery Technician, Chicago

2017 **National Museum of Mexican Art**, Art handler, 1852 W 19th St, Chicago

2016 **SITE Galleries**, Director of Installatoin, 37 S. Wabash Ave, Chicago
SITE Galleries, Installation and Gallery Assistant, 37 S. Wabash Ave, Chicago

Collections

Carlos and Dominguez Fine Arts Gallery, Public collection, Chicago

Eduardo Juarez, Private collection, San Antonio, TX

Elaine Miller, Private collection, Chicago, IL

Frank Lopez, Private collection, New Jersey, NJ

Hinda Seif, Private Collection, Urbana Champaign

Hope Wang, Private collection, Chicago, IL

Illinois State Museum, Private Collection, Springfield IL

Isabel Servantes, Private collection, San Antonio, TX

James Jankowiak, Private collecGon, Chicago, IL

Joan Flasch Artists' Book Collection, Public collection, Chicago

National Museum of Mexican Art, Special collection, Chicago, IL

Nicholas Zeppeda, Private collection, Chicago, IL

Bibliography

- 2022 Parker Yamasaki, Breakout Artist 2022: Chicago's Next Generation of Image Makers, **Newcity Magazine**, Apr. 4th
- 2020 Joseph Josue Mora: Undocumented Projects, **Contra Tiempo Radio**, Nov. 3rd
Reassuring Disposition, **The Quarantine Times**, Mar. 31st
- 2019 Broken Pencil, **F*ck 45: 10 Zines That Talk Back to Trump**, Issue #82, Feb. 5th
- 2017 ABC 7 Chicago, **ñ Beat**, ABC 7 Special, Sept. 24th
Telemundo Chicago, **Arte en Fiesta del Sol**, Telemundo, Jul. 27th
- 2016 Gabriel Perez, **EP. 70 Joemama & Sarita**, Intellectual Nonsense Podcast, Aug. 9th
Ilene Palacios, **The Arts of the Brown Profile Exhibit**, Gozamos (Podcast), Apr. 9th
Rocio Anestesia, **The Artist of the Brown Profile Exhibit**, WBEW (93.1 FM), Apr. 4th
- 2015 Rocio Anestesia, **JoeMama Discusses His Solo Show, Yearning**, WBEW (93.1 FM), Aug. 30th
Irene Tostado, **Festival de Arte Quetzal Inaugura Exhibición**, La Raza, July 10th
- 2014 Rachel Hoffman, **Local Painter JoeMama Brings Whimsy Art To Life On The SW Side**, The GateNews, Dec. 14th
Rocio Anestesia, **Joseph "Joemama" Mora an Aspiring Young Artist**, WBEW (93.1 FM), Jul. 20th