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Héctor is an influential gallerist based in Zapopan, Jalisco, Mexico, one of the most economically dynamic cities in Latin America.

The gallery founder, born on the border between Mexico and the United States, is a multifaceted figure: entrepreneur, art dealer, and curator.

Díaz's journey into the art world began with his work as a private biographer and documentarian, where he developed an appreciation and passion for the stories of unique people.



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After 7 years of running his company "The Art of Preserving Memories," he decided to close operations and start an international art gallery.

The experience gained in preserving stories is evident in his gallery, since the transcendence of his artists is one of the fundamental axes of Hector's vision.

Héctor, the driving force behind the gallery, has gained recognition in the art world for his ability to represent international contemporary artists, creating a space that encourages admiration, contemplation, and collecting.

He has an exceptional gift for forming meaningful connections with artists, regardless of their age or where they are in their career. From emerging talents in their 20s to seasoned creators in their 70s, Héctor brings a personalized and compassionate approach to each relationship. He takes the time to truly understand the individual paths and aspirations of the artists he represents, recognizing that their needs and creative processes evolve with time.

This human-centered focus allows him to provide the right kind of support at every stage, helping artists feel valued, understood, and empowered to reach their full potential. His genuine care for their success, both personally and professionally, creates a foundation of trust that drives long-lasting collaborations.

He has made significant contributions as a gallerist and curator, helping to elevate the careers of numerous artists through the gallery's initiatives and projects, thereby positioning his gallery as a center for contemporary art in North America.

It specializes in high-quality painting, which sets it apart from the more prevalent conceptual art galleries in the world.

It is characterized by innovative and carefully curated, museum-like exhibitions, reflecting Díaz's avant-garde approach, attracting the attention of global collectors, critics, and art enthusiasts.

Despite launching just before the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, the gallery managed to thrive by focusing on building a diverse portfolio of artists from around the world.

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He opened his gallery in 2020 challenging the standards of art exhibitions in the region, positioning itself in a very short time as one of the most innovative galleries in Mexico.

The gallery's inaugural exhibition, "The Mona Lisa Project," is a testament to its ambitious and inclusive vision. This exhibition featured 16 works of art by artists from 8 countries, each creating their own interpretation of Leonardo da Vinci's "Mona Lisa."

Díaz has noticed a crisis in the international gallery scene, where few galleries operate with a long-term vision for their artists. Instead, many focus on short-term sales, which he believes limits the potential for artists to gain meaningful recognition. He advocates a business model that focuses not only on selling art, but also on improving the credibility and value of artists.

He gained significant notoriety in the art industry by saying that galleries not only represent artists, but their collectors, making collectors valued within the industry not only as buyers, but as part of the ecosystem.

Díaz's writings in renowned media outlets reflect his deep understanding of the art world and his commitment to supporting artists not only through exhibitions, but also by participating in the broader discourse on art and culture.

The articles highlight Díaz's role as a cultural influencer who creates bridges between art and business, using his platforms to foster artistic talent and preserve legacies.

Díaz positions himself in Latin America as a transformer of the traditional gallery model, by integrating corporate strategies and high standards for his artists and collectors in the international market.

His story is that of a visionary who has successfully integrated his passion for art with innovative business models, which has earned him recognition as a leader in both fields.