

C U R R I C U L U M V I T A E

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BIO

Maria Mijares is a contemporary realist painter known for conceptually 'lived-out' stories relayed in 'poetic precision' and public art.

EDUCATION

Rutgers University / Livingston College, NJ, BA Fine Art, 1978
Art Students League, Woodstock, NY, 1975
New England School of Art, Boston, MA, 1970 -71

PUBLIC ART

NEWARK LIBERTY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (2024-25)

Terminal A Digital Art Program / New Jersey - Sense of Place

NJ TRANSIT (2015 - in-progress)

Paterson Bus Station Ticket Hall Two paintings "A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A BUS"

CITY OF WORCESTER (2020-21)

Wayfinding Signage DINERS: THEN & NOW (4 panels in porcelain enamel on steel)

LinkNWK kiosks: (April - July 2019)

Six paintings LIVE on 15-second play along Broad Street, Newark, NJ

PARSONS BRINCKERHOFF QUADE & DOUGLAS (1997- 2006)

Hudson-Bergen Light Rail Transit System / NJ TRANSIT

"BETWEEN MANHATTAN AND MEADOWLANDS" Bergenline Avenue Station, Union City, NJ;

Four architecturally integrated street level murals in porcelain enamel on steel:

Clocktower marquee (13'6" x 8') and three murals. each 10'6" x 11' (Budget: \$165,000)

AWARDED:

Ridgewood Station, NJ Transit (2002, 2003, 2004) PROJECT STOPPED

UNREALIZED PROJECTS:

Mercer County Courthouse, Trenton, NJ (2018), Rowan University Bank Addition, Camden, NJ

(2017, 2016), Newark Light Rail Bloomfield Avenue Station (2012), Florida International

University/College of Law (Miami, FL) (2007), Iowa City Recreation Center (2007)

NY Penn Station—31st St. Entrance (2006, 2005), Mount Arlington Station (2006)

South Amboy Station (2003), Secaucus Transfer Station (2000), Plainfield Station (1999)

FELLOWSHIPS

Puffin Foundation for MORRIS MUSEUM exhibition, 2013

Rutgers Center for Innovative Print & Paper, 2000

Heart Grant, Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders, 1998, 1999

New Jersey State Council on the Arts (Painting), 1987, 1982

Ludwig Vogelstein Foundation, Inc. (Painting), 1985

Union County Cultural & Heritage (Painting), 1985

RADIO

WNYC "All Of It" with Alison Stewart, October 7, 2024, 12:30pm Interview

COLLECTIONS

Museo de Arte Moderno y Contemporáneo de Santander, Spain • Newark Museum
Montclair Museum • Jersey City Museum • Morris Museum • Noyes Museum
Zimmerli Museum • NJ State Museum • The estate of John Cardinal O'Connor • New
Brunswick City Hall (NJ Senator John Lynch), And private collections

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

MONTCLAIR ART WALK, World Flats, April 11, 2024
"ESSEX COUNTY ESCAPADES" West Orange Public Library, April 15 - May 23, 2021
"TWO SHIPS ESPERANDO"
SIBONEY Galeria, Santander, Spain, August 16 – September 14, 2013
"IMMORTAL STRUCTURES: Here & There After" (retrospective)
MORRIS MUSEUM, Morristown, NJ, January 31–March 31, 2013 (Artist Talk)
"We Are Transported" Kuran Arts Center, Fanwood, NJ, October 2005
"Like a foreign movie" Fairleigh Dickinson University, January 1989
"Casino Nocturnes" New York University, April-May 1987
"I can't hear the Spanish people" Marymount Manhattan College, NYC Sept-Oct 1986
"Maria Mijares" Museo de Arte Moderno y Contemporáneo de Santander, Spain, June 1984

COLLECTIVE EXHIBITIONS

NJ ARTS ANNUAL "Exploring Our Connections"
Montclair Museum September 2024 - January 2025
"Galería de Bellas Artes" Gallery on Grant, Axelrod Performing Art Center, Deal Park, NJ
May 31-August 31, 2024
ART THAT TRACKS, Barron Arts Center, May 2024
"STREET" Papermill Playhouse, Mill-run, NJ April 11- July 3, 2023
31st Miniature Show, Abend Gallery, Denver, CO December 4, 2021 - January 4, 2022
"AMERICANA" 33 Contemporary, Chicago, online and catalog exhibition ARTSY July 2021
"ALIENS" Hamilton Street Gallery, Bound Brook, NJ, June 27 - August 19, 2021
30th Miniature Show, Abend Gallery, Denver, CO December 5, 2020 - January 23, 2021
LUXURY BOOM, Hamilton Street Gallery, Bound Brook, NJ, March 28 - June 7, 2020
"KILLING FROST" Hamilton Street Gallery, Bound Brook, NJ, Nov 16, 2019 -January 2, 2020
"CAST A SHADOW" Hamilton Street Gallery, Bound Brook, NJ Sept 14 -October 31, 2019
Superior Court of NJ Monmouth Vicinage, Freehold, NJ October 11, 2019 Hispanic Heritage
"Personal Visions" The Gallery Space, Rahway, NJ September 15 - October 15, 2019
"(ALL YOU NEED IS) Satisfaction" Emerge Gallery, Saugerties, NY August 3 - September 1, 2019
5 x 5 PROJECT Abend Gallery, Denver, Co June 8 -July 6, 2019
ARBORESCENCE, Hamilton Street Gallery, Bound Brook, NJ March 24 - May 2, 2019
LATINX VISIONES, Mayo Performing arts Center, Morristown, NJ February 2019
HOPE IS MAYBE: Munich International Airport, Jesuit Refugee Home, Gasteig Munich's cultural
center, Ostbayerische Technische Hochschule Regensburg, Munich School of Philosophy
TRENTON HISTORY: 1719 Trent House, Trenton, NJ January-February 2019
WAGING PEACE! Florida State University Museum May 11-July 8, 2018
Mirada's en el Tiempo: Creators de Cantabria, Biblioteca Central de Cantabria Santander, Spain
March 8 - April 3, 2017
Holy Apostles Gallery Chelsea, NY, 2017 NY OPENING FASHION WEEK Feb 9,
ART BALL March 24, FILM FEST April 28
"When a Church Dies :QUEEN of ANGELS," Newark, NJ 2016- 2018
"BACK STORY" SMI Galleries @ Academy Square, Montclair, NJ, 5.4 - 8.12, 2016
"A MAN'S WORLD" Hamilton Street Gallery, Bound Brook, NJ, March 20 - April 28, 2016
"OF COLOR: THE AFRICAN AMERICAN EXPERIENCE" Trenton City Museum, summer 2015

"ISSUES" Art Guild of New Jersey, Rahway, NJ, APRIL 26 – May 22, 2015
 "ENDANGERED" Hamilton Street Gallery, Bound Brook, NJ, March 15 – April 23, 2015
 METRO SHOW City Without Walls, Newark, NJ
 'NEW JERSEY IMPRESSIONS' DRUMTHWACKET NJ Governor's Mansion, 2013 – 2015
 "INDUSTRIALISM" Art Factory Dolphin Gallery, Paterson, NJ May 25 – August 17, 2013
 "NOCTURNES" Maloney Art Gallery, College of St. Elizabeth, Morristown, NJ, June–Sept 2013
 "HOLY LIVES" Maloney Art Gallery, College of St. Elizabeth, Morristown, NJ 9.20 - 11.21, 2012
 "THE NEWARK SCHOOL" Seton Hall University School of Law, Newark, NJ, 1.10 – 4.29, 2011
 BROOKLYN COLLEGE, Brooklyn, NY, NOVEMBER 18, 2010 – MARCH 3, 2011
 UBS INVESTMENT BANK HEADQUARTERS, Stamford, CT, 9.16 –10.15, 2010
 GENERAL ELECTRIC HEADQUARTERS, Fairfield, CT, SEPTEMBER 13 – October 29, 2010
 "THEATRE TOWN" NJIT School of Architecture, Curated by Matthew Gosser 2009
 "WESTINGHOUSE PROJECT" NJIT School of Architecture, Curated by Matthew Gosser
 "SPRAWL" Jersey City Museum, New Jersey Arts Annual, MARCH 20 - August 24, 2008
 "NEW" Woodstock Byrdcliffe Guild KLEINERT/JAMES ARTS CENTER Woodstock, NY,
 "WOODSTOCK BIENNIAL" Woodstock Byrdcliffe Guild, NY Curated by Nohra Haime

PAST EXHIBITION VENUES

Henry Luce III Center for Arts and Religion, Washington DC • Noyes Museum
 NJ Institute of Technology/School of Architecture • CITY SPACE, San Francisco, CA
 Kenkeleba Gallery, NYC • Jersey City Museum • Mason Gross School of the Arts, Rutgers, NJ
 University of Georgia, Lamar Dodd School of the Arts Gallery • Sala Luz Norte, Santander, Spain
 El Museo del Barrio, NYC • New Jersey Center for Visual Arts • St. Patrick's Cathedral, NYC
 The Consul General of Italy, NYC • Progressive Culture Works, Jersey City
 Hudson River Museum • Bronx Museum of the Arts • Center for the Fine Arts, Miami
 Millicent Rogers Museum, Taos, NM • Triton Museum of Art, Santa Clara, CA
 Arvada Center for the Arts & Humanities, CO • Southwest Museum, LA, CA
 Instituto Cultural Mexicano, San Antonio, TX • Monmouth Museum • Hudson River Club, NYC
 Hoyt Institute of Fine Art, New Castle, PA • Casa de España, NYC • Mongerson Gallery, Chicago
 Catholic Museum of America, NYC • Jacob Javits Federal Plaza, NYC • A.I.R. Gallery
 Pindar Gallery, NYC (John I. H. Baur, juror) • Ramapo College • Middlesex County College
 University of Pennsylvania, Arthur Ross Gallery • 80 Washington Square East Galleries
 Stedman Gallery, Rutgers Camden • Brookdale Community College • Tweed Gallery
 Prudential • Schering-Plough • Bell Laboratories • Merck • Exxon

PUBLICATIONS

Munster Records "12 in a Room" Marc Jonson vinyl record cover & sleeve paintings, 2018

POETS Artists magazine "Cornelia Street Studio" Idiosyncratic Monochromes, June 2017, Lorena Kloosterboer, Publisher: Didi Menendez GOSS 183 Publishing Group, Bloomington, IL D'Arte,

D'Arte, "Maria Mijares, una pintora Americana con alma español, Gema Sanchez" 2009

"Memoria de un Fin de Siglo" Fernando Zamanillo Peral, 2001, Gobierno de Cantabria, Spain,

"Fearless Creating" (Dr. Eric Maisel, 1995, G.P. Putnam's Sons, xv, p.189

"Artists Observed" Harvey Stein, 1986, Harry N. Abrams, Inc., NYC, p. 30-31.

"7 City Subway" a hand-colored lithograph of Newark's retired subway cars published by Rutgers Center for Innovative Print & Paper with a fellowship from the New Jersey State Council on the Arts