ANGEL QUESADA

The role of an artist is to produce high-quality aesthetic and educational spectacles for the public by concentrating on the presentation and perception of art and culture. Art should remain authentic to the original impulse of the artist and convey the humanity we share. Art should play a central role in contributing to society and building a more connected society. Art investigates, instigates, and is always guided by beauty. Art saves lives!

EDUCATION

2021 University of Houston–Downtown. Houston, TX; BA Humanities (Anthropology), Minor Fine Arts

1999 Massachusetts College of Art, Boston, MA; Associates Degree, painting

1995 School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA

1993 Austin Community College, Austin, TX

- 1992 Laredo State University, Laredo, TX
- 1990 Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX

SELECTED COLLECTIONS

University of Notre Dame	Cheech Marin
University of Houston-Downtown	Ricardo Romo
University of Texas - San Antonio	Gil Cardenas
Contemporary Museum of Art Houston	City of Baytown
Legacy Community Health	City of Austin

City of Pasadena Mexic-Arte Museum Art Museum of South Texas Serie Project Coronado Print Studios Harris County Juvenile Probation Dept.

SELECTED ARTISTIC PRODUCTION + COLLABORATIONS

2025 Mural: "Sacrificial Lamb" 9' x 7'. Divine Shine Art Coalition. Houston, TX 2024 Murals: Houston Grand Opera + Boys & Girls Club. Educational youth collaborative, 8 each 4' x 8'. Houston, TX 2024 Mural: "Jungle in Here" 11' x 8' x 11' The Opportunity Center. HCJPD Educational youth collaborative. Houston, TX 2024 Public Mosaic Mural: "Mi Familia: 45 Years of Villa Arcos" 12' x 20'. Houston, TX 2024 Public Mural: Art in Public Places. Mexic-Arte Museum. Collaborative with Fidencio Duran. Austin, TX 2024 Public Mural: "El Organismo". Harrisburg Art Museum. Collaborative with Verny Sanchez. Houston, TX 2024 Co-Curator: "PlaticARTE" Latinx Artists, presenting their work in an intimate way. Houston, TX 2023 Public Concert: Sonidos de Houston - A musical revue of Chicano Music in Houston. Discovery Green. Houston, TX 2023 Public Mural: "Weed Wall" 15' x 55' The Opportunity Center. HCJPD Educational youth collaborative. Houston, TX 2023 Official Artist Dia de los Muertos City of Houston Parade and Festival. Houston, TX 2023 Public Artwork: Holocaust Museum. Educational youth collaborative. Houston, TX 2023 Public Artwork: Community Altar: Día de los Muertos. Installation/performance at Discovery Green. Houston, TX 2023 Exhibition of paintings/ studio work with Elias Lytton. "Beautropism," Two-person exhibition. Box 13 Artspace. Houston, TX 2023 Public Artwork: "Arbol Sabio" 40' x 19' Golfcrest Elementary. Houston, TX 2023 Public Artwork: "Child's Play" 25' x 9' Spark Park Mural at Golfcrest Elementary. Houston, TX 2023 Public Intervention: "Houston SLAB" at the NAACP GALA, Hilton Las Americas 2nd Floor. Houston, TX 2022 Public Artwork: "Jungleplosion" Outdoor art mural at Seismique. Educational youth collaborative. Katy, TX 2022 Public Mural: "Portal for Success" HCJPD Educational youth collaborative. Houston, TX 2022 Commissioned art project: "Protest Signs" National US Women's Convention. Houston, TX 2022 Public Concert: "A Tejano Music Revue" Discovery Green, featuring: Avizo, Los Monarchas, La Fiebre. Houston, TX 2022 Public Mural: "Voices of a Community" 40' x 20' CHAT Shearn Elementary. Houston, TX 2022 Public Mural: "Health is Wealth" 60' x 30'. CHAT (Cultivating Health Advancing Together), Milne Elem. Houston, TX 2022 Public Mural: "Tela nueva". Street Mural, Public Library System. Baytown Engage! Baytown, TX. 2022 Public Mural: "Ram Spirit Wall" Spark Park. 2 Murals (120' x 5' each), Kashmere Gardens Elem. Houston, TX 2021 Public Mural: "Tres Matitas." PSG – Old downtown revival, EDC Grant. City of Pasadena. Pasadena, TX 2021 Public Mural: "Box of Flowers" 4-sided mural at Discovery Green Park. Downtown, Houston, TX 2020 Public Mural: "Eyes of Bouma." Spark Park. mosaic. Arabic Language Immersion Magnet, HISD. Houston, TX 2020 Community Altar: Día de los Muertos. Public art sculpture installation/performance. Discovery Green. Houston, TX 2020 Public Mural: "Together with the Sun." Mosaic art. Legacy Community Health Clinic - Gulfton. Houston, TX 2020 Public Mural: "Aztek Revival" Mural at University of Houston-Downtown, Student Center. Houston, TX 2020 Public Mural: Dimensions vary (9' x 120'ft). Northwest Assistance Ministries. Bimbo Breads. Houston, TX 2019 Editor: Short Film Debut (15 mins) Part 3. Juneteenth. Miller Theater, Hermann Park. Houston, TX 2019 Public Mural: "TODOS" mural banner, public art installation. Contemporary Art Museum. Houston, TX 2018 Editor: Short Film Debut (15 mins) Part 2. Juneteenth. Miller Theater, Hermann Park. Houston, TX

2018 Community Altar: Día de los Muertos. Public art sculpture installation/performance. Discovery Green. Houston, TX
2018 Public Mural: Houston Astros Baseball World Series Finals "Take it Back" Campaign. Houston, TX
2018 Public Mural: "Muertos Mural" 111 N. Ennis Street. Houston, TX
2017 Murals: Bimbo Breads. Variable dimensions (9' x 120'ft). Cullen Middle School, HISD. Houston, TX
2017 Group exhibit: ArtBridge. Koelsch Haus Gallery. Curated by Sharon Englestein. Houston, TX
2017 Editor: Short Film Debut (15 mins) Part 1. Juneteenth. Miller Theater, Hermann Park. Houston, TX
2016 Curator: "Skin in the Game." Selected works by 26 artists from Spring Street Studios. Houston, TX
2016 Film Editor: Latino Film Festival. Selected Short: Virgen de Guadalupe and her feast day. Houston, TX
2016 Public Mural: "Indio de la Guardia." HUE Mural Fest. Special consultant. Leeland at St Emannuel. Houston, TX

SELECTED PRESS

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Digital, Print Media and live broadcas	t		
Austin Monthly	Texas Monthly	Houston Public Media	Telemundo
Austin-American Statesman	The Texas Observer	Houston Seminar	Univision
Austin Chronicle	Somos en escrito	Houston Press	Televisa
UH–Downtown Magazine	Nuestra Palabra	Houston Chronicle	Paper City
San Antonio Express News	Son Pacifica	ABC 13 News	NPR
San Antonio Current	Culturemap	FOX News	La Voz
Voyage Houston magazine	CITE Magazine	Fluentcollab	¡Arriba!
The Great God Pan is Dead	OUT Smart	Glasstire Art News	Axios

SELECTED DISTINCTIONS + LEADERSHIP + CONTRIBUTIONS

2024 Finalist - independent artist grant nominee. BANF (BIPOC Arts Network Fund). Houston, TX 2024 Grant panelist. Houston Arts Alliance. Houston, TX 2024 Awardee - National Endowment for the Arts. "Collecting Community" Project team. "Sonidos" The Library of Congress: "Sonidos: Tejano Music of Houston" 2024 Steering Committee Member and founding member of Houston Alliance of Latinx Arts. Houston, TX 2023 Speaker for the Rotary Club guarterly meeting, awarded coin. Houston, TX 2023 Special Committee Member: American Folklore Society, visual arts liaison, Texas. Bloomington, IN 2023 Steering Committee Member: Houston Alliance of Latinx Arts, Houston, TX 2022 BIPOC Arts Network Fund Grant recipient. Houston Alliance for Latinx Arts. Houston, TX 2022 Award recipient: Library of Congress - Community Collections Grant. "Sonidos de Houston." Houston, TX 2022 Special Committee Member: American Folklore Society, visual arts liaison, Texas. Bloomington, IN 2022 Steering Committee Member: Houston Alliance of Latinx Arts. Houston, TX 2021 Grant panelist. National Endowment for the Arts - museums. Washington, D.C. 2021 Steering Committee Member: Houston Alliance of Latinx Arts. Houston, TX 2021 Nominated 2021 Mayor's Hispanic Arts in the Community Award. Houston. TX 2020 Steering Committee Member: Houston Alliance of Latinx Arts. Houston, TX 2020 Committee Member: University of Houston Public Art System. Houston, TX 2020 Moderator and Panel organizer: Houston Seminar; What's with that Wall? Street Art in Houston, TX 2019 Official Proclamation from Mayor Turner: City of Houston, Gulfton Story Trail documentary. Houston, TX 2019 Steering Committee Member: Houston Alliance of Latinx Arts. Houston, TX 2019 Committee Member: University of Houston – Public Art System. Houston, TX 2019 Juror: Zócalo a National Arts Residency Program panelist. Houston, TX 2019 Digital Archivist University of Houston Libraries Special Collections. Folklife digital archives from 2009-2017. Houston, TX 2019 Committee: Community liaison for ¡LAN! / IUPLR at UH Center Latinx American Studies. Houston, TX 2019 Grant panelist. National Endowment for the Arts – Folk & Traditional Arts. Washington, D.C. 2018 Official Proclamation from Council Member Carla Cisneros, "Muertos Mural." Houston, TX 2018 Artwork chosen for a city tourism brand campaign. GHCVB. Houston, TX 2018 Steering Committee Member: Houston Alliance of Latinx Arts. Houston, TX 2018 Committee Member: Appointment by UHD President. U of H – Public Art System. Houston, TX 2018 Grant panelist. National Endowment for the Arts-folk & traditional arts. Washington, D.C. 2017 Steering Committee Member: Houston Alliance of Latinx Arts. Houston, TX 2017 Grant panelist: Houston Arts Alliance. Houston, TX 2017 Proclamation from Council member Robert Gallegos, "Muertos Mural." Houston, TX 2017 Co-produced a major NEA Placemaking "Our Town" Grant called Bayou Trails. Houston, TX 2016 Lecturer: "Latino Art Now! Inter-University Program for Latino Research. U of H Auditorium. TX 2016 Staff member: "Latino art Now!" artist community liaison. Houston, TX