

Art in California

Stan Padilla, an artist of many talents has been making art since the age of sixteen. A world traveler, Stan has drawn inspiration from places like the Temple of Heaven in China, the Blue Mosque in Turkey and the Greek and Mediterranean blue doors of monasteries. For over 25 years, Padilla has been making his own paints. As a jeweler and gemologist, he is familiar with finding and using natural materials to create artwork. He taught himself how to make paints and went on to teach a course in making handmade inks, paints, crayons, pastels, brushes and paper. A student of universal symbols he creates visual work that all people can understand. "While my work expresses itself through specific cultural forms it seeks to express a universal language. I attempt to express ancient wisdom through contemporary forms using new and experimental materials and I look to the natural world for spiritual understanding and discipline. I respect discipline and order and express them through my work. I am a multi-disciplinary artist working in whatever materials or forms will best express my feelings."



Mandala, oil



Deer Dancer, oil

Padilla received his Master of Fine Art Degree at San Francisco Art Institute and has had a distinguished career not only as a painter, muralist and educator but has produced many books describing his native Yaqui culture in terms of traditional myths and legends. His paintings of Yaqui tribal culture are a personal statement of deep respect for the old Yaqui ways of life.

**Vigil's
Collection**

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presents:

Spirits of Native Traditions

A Fall Show

Sat., November 5th, 5-8pm

Sun., November 6th 11am-4pm

Stan Padilla - Yaqui • David Rosales - Mestizo

Sam Dimmic - Inupiat

Artists Reception Saturday 5pm-8pm