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SOLO/TWO-PERSON EXHIBITIONS

2017

Thank You Thank You, Gracias Gracias, Rancho Palos Verdes, CA

2016

Patrimonio, City Hall Grand Gallery, Las Vegas, NV

Mi Casa es Mi Casa, OXS Gallery, Carson City, NV

Big Load, with Mikayla Whitmore, Southwestern Michigan College, Dowagiac, MI

2015

Chop Shop, Alios Inc., Las Vegas, NV

Car Show, with Sean Slattery, Clark County Government Center, Las Vegas, NV

2014

Mark Twain's Suicide Table Blood Bucket Ghost Bonanza Amen, St. Mary's Art Center, Virginia City, NV

2013

The Mini Market: Grand Opening, El Porvenir, North Las Vegas, NV

2012

Justin Favela: "Newer Paintings", Gamma Gamma Gallery, Las Vegas, NV

2011

CountyCenter, Clark County Government Center, Las Vegas, NV

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2017

Shonky: The Aesthetics of Awkwardness, Touring Exhibition, United Kingdom

The High Art of Riding Low: Ranflas, Corazón e Inspiración, Petersen Automotive Museum, Los Angeles, CA

Mi Tierra: Contemporary Artists Explore Place, Denver Art Museum, Denver, CO

2016

Tilting the Basin: Contemporary Art of Nevada, Nevada Museum of Art, Reno, NV

Con Cariño, New Mexico Museum of Art, Santa Fe, NM

NorthEast, Left of Center Gallery, North Las Vegas, NV

Taste, Contemporary Arts Center, Las Vegas, NV

2015

Recent Acquisitions, Marjorie Barrick Museum, Las Vegas, NV

Basin and Range, Donna Beam Fine Art Gallery, Las Vegas, NV

Transient Landscapes, Nevada Humanities, Las Vegas, NV

Roll, BLVDS Gallery, Las Vegas, NV

2014

State of the Art: Discovering American Art Now, Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art, Bentonville, AR
MAS Attack 6, Torrance Art Museum, Torrance, CA
comedians and magicians, Trifecta Gallery, Las Vegas, NV
Of Love and Longing, Maxine's Tap Room, Fayetteville, AR

2013

Greetings from Las Vegas, Gateway Motel, Las Vegas, NV
Indelicate, (curated by JW Caldwell) Contemporary Arts Center, Las Vegas, NV
Space//Time//Engagement, Fifth Wall, Las Vegas, NV
Celebration, City Hall Gallery, Las Vegas, NV

2012

Off the Strip, Contemporary Arts Center, Las Vegas, NV
TOTE, (collaboration with Thomas Willis) Southwest Michigan College, Niles, MI
Anniversary Show!, Kleven Contemporary, Las Vegas, NV

2011

MEATumental, Trifecta Gallery, Las Vegas, NV
Radiant City, CCAI Courthouse Gallery, Carson City, NV

2010

Kith, SNC/FA Tahoe Gallery, Incline Village, NV
Bachelor of Fine Arts 2010 Exhibition, UNLV, Las Vegas, NV
tomorrowpeople, Contemporary Arts Center, Las Vegas, NV
National Invitational Postcard Exhibit, traveling exhibition, USA

2009

minUMENTAL, Trifecta Gallery, Las Vegas, NV
Inscribed/Messages, Clark County Rotunda Gallery, Las Vegas, NV
Skin and Other Stories, Vagus Nerve Gallery, Las Vegas, NV
Camping, (organized by Stephen Hendee) Grant Hall Gallery, Las Vegas, NV
The Drawing Room, (curated by Fay Ku), Fallout Gallery, Las Vegas, NV
20th Annual Juried Show, Contemporary Arts Center, Las Vegas, NV

2008

Never Damage, Vagus Nerve Gallery, Las Vegas, NV
The Organ of Emotion, The Arts Factory, Las Vegas, NV
19th Annual Juried Art Exhibition, Contemporary Arts Collective, Las Vegas, NV
Water Smart Art Exhibition, Springs Preserve, Las Vegas, NV

2007

One Night Stand, Palms Hotel and Casino, Las Vegas, NV

CURATORIAL PROJECTS

2015

Rafael Espino: El Internacional, Rhizome Gallery, Las Vegas, NV

2013

Greetings From Las Vegas, Gateway Motel, Las Vegas, NV

2011

Justin Favela: "New Paintings", Kleven Contemporary Las Vegas, NV

2008

Take Note, Marjorie Barrick Museum, Las Vegas, NV

Nerve Damage, Vagus Nerve Gallery, Las Vegas, NV

Weights and Measures, The Arts Factory, Las Vegas, NV

APPRENTICESHIPS AND COLLABORATIONS

2016

Christ Coy- artist (studio assistant), Las Vegas, NV

2015

Colby Does America, installation and performance with artist Colby Keller, Las Vegas, NV

2014

Special Western Special Special, sculpture with Jesse Smigel, Life is Beautiful Festival, Las Vegas, NV

2013

GULCH, Battle Born collective with artists Jennifer Kleven, Mikayla Whitmore and Krystal Ramirez

2012

Paper Tiger, Collaborative sculpture with Shannon Eakins, The Mini Market, N Las Vegas, NV

2011

Too Soon, Art installation with artist Sam Reza, Mundo, Las Vegas

2010

David Ryan - artist (studio assistant), Las Vegas, NV

2008

Aaron Sheppard- artist (curated performances for 'Midway'), CAC, Las Vegas, NV

2007

Wendy Kveck- artist (studio assistant), Las Vegas, NV

SPECIAL PROJECTS

2017

Latinos Who Lunch, podcast co-host, Las Vegas, NV

Family Fiesta: Neon Museum, Las Vegas, NV

Family Fiesta: Denver Art Museum, Denver, CO

2016

Family Fiesta: Nevada Museum of Art, Reno, NV

2015

Family Fiesta: Double Negative, Moapa Valley, NV

2014

Family Fiesta: Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art, Bentonville, AR

PURO JALE, Las Vegas Backyard Wall, Las Vegas, NV

TIME CAPSULE 2014, contributor to project by Ash Ferlito. Marjorie Barrick Museum, Las Vegas, NV

2013

Loft, Alios Gallery, Las Vegas, NV

2008

NIACA, Nevada Institute for the Advancement of Contemporary Art, Admissions Chair, Las Vegas, NV

2007

Lustre Flux, Co-host and collaborator of monthly variety show, Thunderbird Lounge, Las Vegas, NV

RELATED WORK EXPERIENCE

2017

Curator/Gallery Director, Clark County Galleries, Las Vegas, NV

2016

Writer, Vegas Seven, Las Vegas, NV

Social Media Manager, settlersandnomads.com, Las Vegas, NV

Advisory Board Member, Capital City Arts Initiative, Carson City, NV

2014

Exhibition Manager, The Liberace Foundation, Las Vegas, NV

2013

Programs Administrator (from 2007), The Neon Museum, Las Vegas, NV

2010

Board Member, Vagus Nerve Art and Literary Journal, UNLV

Visual Arts Instructor, City of Las Vegas Theater and Arts Camp, Las Vegas, NV

2009

Friends of Winchester Public Art Committee, Member, Las Vegas, NV

2008

Curatorial Committee Member, Vagus Nerve Gallery, Las Vegas, NV

Editor in Chief/Publications Director, Vagus Nerve Art and Literary Journal, UNLV

2007

Fine Arts Senator, Consolidated Students of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas

Assistant Editor, Vagus Nerve Art and Literary Journal, Las Vegas, NV

EDUCATION

2010

BFA Fine Arts (Sculpture), UNLV

AWARDS/RESIDENCIES

2017

Unlisted Projects, Museum of Human Achievement, Austin, TX

National Hispanic Cultural Center, Albuquerque, NM

Fountainhead Residency, Miami, FL

2016

Juhl Artist in Residence, Las Vegas, NV

Brush Lake Residency Program, Eu Claire, MI

TEAMVVORK artist in residence, Las Vegas, NV

Nevada Arts Council Artist Fellowship Grant Recipient

2015

Arquetopia, Puebla, Mexico

Chop Shop, Alios, Las Vegas, NV

2014

P3 studio, Cosmopolitan of Las Vegas, NV
St. Mary's Art Center, Virginia, City, NV

2011

Citizen of the Month, October, City of Las Vegas, NV

2010

DeVos Fine Art Scholarship

2009

Arts Bridge of America Scholarship

WORKSHOPS/LECTURES

2017

The Art of Resistance, Moderator, RuPaul's Drag Con, Los Angeles, CA
Visibility is Essential, Lincoln High School, Denver, CO
Artist as Cultural Producer, Panelist, Barrick Museum of Art, Las Vegas, NV

2016

PCCLAS Conference, Keynote Speaker, UNLV, Las Vegas, NV
Hispanic Identities, Southern Utah University, Cedar City, UT
Barrick Talks, Marjorie Barrick Museum, Las Vegas, NV
Alt. Lecture KC, University of Missouri, Kansas City, MO

2015

Flora and Fauna sculpture workshop, The Writer's Block, Las Vegas, NV

2014

Paper Workshop, Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art, Bentonville, AR
We Might Should Could, Capital City Arts Initiative, Carson City, NV

2013

Sculpture Workshop with GULCH, ActionRed, Las Vegas, NV
First Friday, WorkInProgress, Las Vegas, NV

2010

Kith, Sierra Nevada College, Incline Village, NV

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2017

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2016

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Carter, Geoff. "Taco Boulevard." Vegas Seven. Feb 18

Baude, Dawn-Michelle. "CAC's 'Taste' Showcases the Range of Talented Las Vegas Artists." Las Vegas Weekly. Jan 20

2015

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Whitmore, Mikayla. "Justin Favela's 'Family Fiesta' at Double Negative." Las Vegas Sun. May 27

Baude, Dawn-Michelle. "Cultural Memory." Las Vegas Weekly. April 24

Peterson, Kristen. "Car Show: Remembering Tupac, Selena, and the OJ Spectacle." LV Weekly. March 18

2014

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Las Vegas Weekly Staff. "Best Artist, Social Commentary." Las Vegas Weekly: Best of Issue. July 17

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