Alida Cervantes

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Alida Cervantes (born in 1972) is a Mexican artist who lives and works between Tijuana, Mexico and San Diego, California. Her artwork is an exploration of power relationships. Her paintings, drawings, and mixed media work examine hierarchies, question dominant historical narratives, and create imagined spaces where sex, love, and emotions both flow and are repressed. As an inheritor of Mexico's colonial cultural discourse, her work draws from her own experiences of oppression and desire as a white upper class Mexican woman. Her daily commute across the Mexico/US border provides the springboard into her investigations of racial, gender, and class relationships and perceptions on both sides of the border. She uses fantasy, the grotesque, and dark humor in semi narrative, ambiguous works that implicate wider narratives of colonial and post-colonial representation.

Alida Cervantes studied at Florence's Scuola di Arte Lorenzo de' Medici in Italy and earned her MFA from the University of California, San Diego. Her work is part of the Museum of Contemporary Art, San Diego, the Charles Saatchi Collection, London, as well as the Jorge Perez collection in Miami.

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Installation



La pina se parte y se comparte, installation, oil on wood and oil on aluminium, 8x10ft, 2019



Detail installation - Oil on wood - 92x70x2 inches



Detail installation - Oil on aluminium sheet – 42x48 inches



Detail installation - Oil on aluminium sheet - 16x12 inches



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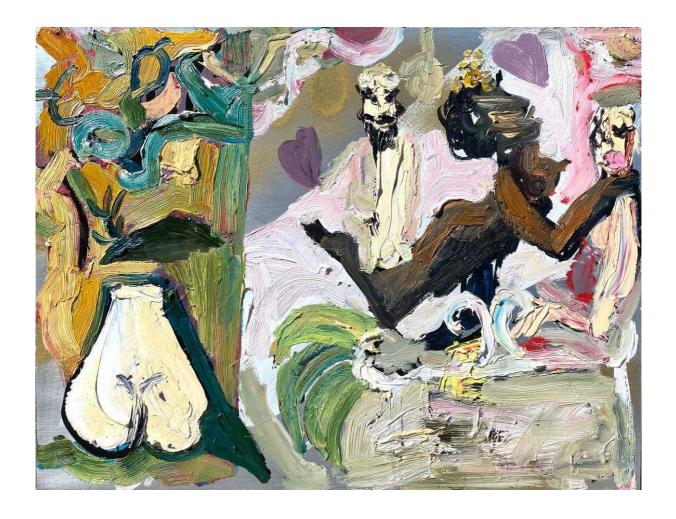
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Single works

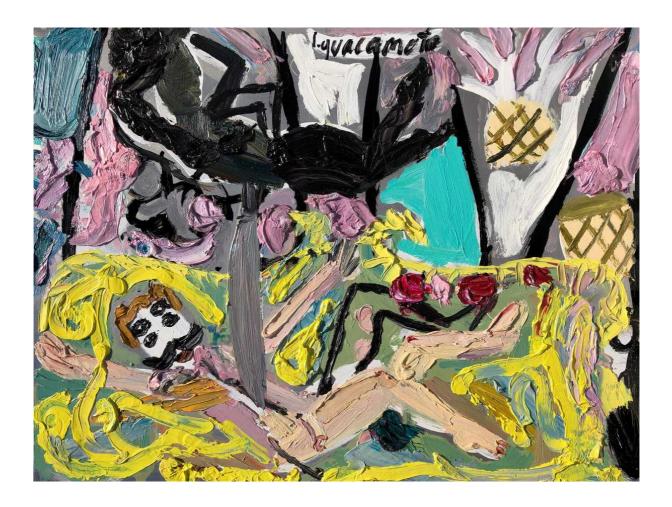
















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Biography

Mexican artist born in 1972 in San Diego, USA, Alida Cervantes lives in San Diego and works in Tijuana, Mexico.

Education

MFA Visual Arts University of California San Diego, Ca, USA (2013) Florence's Scuola di Arte Lorenzo de' Medici, Italy (during two years) BA Visual Arts University of California San Diego, Ca, USA (1995)

Solo exhibitions

2022

Future fair, New York, with Galerie Dix9

La nueva pastelera, National Art Center of Baja California, CEART, Tijuana, Mexico

2021

Historia de una relación amorosa, Cob Gallery, London, UK El Desastre Que Dejaste, Best Practice, San Diego, USA

2020

Untitled Art Fair, Online Edition

2018

Pare de sufrir, DESLAVE, Tijuana, Mexico

Figura en lo interior de la guayaba, Bread and Salt, San Diego, Ca, USA

2017

Majas, cambujas y virreinacas, Mills Gallery, Boston Center for the Arts, USA

2016

50 Sketches Using Unmixed Black, Athenaeum, La Jolla Ca, USA

2013

Historia de una relacion amorosa, Marcuse Gallery UCSD, La Jolla, Ca, USA

2011

Los mas barbaros, Steve Turner Contemporary, Los Angeles, Ca, USA

2007

About Me, Athenaeum, La Jolla, Ca, USA

Group exhibitions

2018

Known Unknowns, Saatchi Gallery, London UK

Do you Believe in Life After Love, DESLAVE, Tijuana, Mexico

Being Here With You / Estando aqua contigo, Museum of Contermporary Art, San Diego, Ca

2017

How to Read El Pato Pascual: Disney's Latin America and Latin America's Disney, MAK Center for Art and Architecture, Los Angeles, Ca, as part of the Getty Foundation's Pacific Standard Time: LA/LA initiative

Making Communities: Art and the Border, University Art Gallery, UC San Diego, Ca, USA

2016

Intersectionality, MOCA, Miami, Flo.

Short Films by or About Women, San Diego Art Institute, San Diego, Ca, USA

La distancia corta, Instituto de Cultura, Tuxtla Gutierrez, Chiapas

2015

Pangea II: New Art from Africa and Latin America, Saatchi Gallery London, UK Revision Glocal Beijing-Tijuana, El Cubo @ Centro Cultural Tijuana, Tijuana, Mexico Collection Elias Fontes, El Cubo@ Centro Cultural Tijuana, Tijuana, Mexico

2014

Hidden and Revealed: Representations of Women by Women, Angles Gallery, Los Angeles, Ca, US Forms of Temporal Permanence, TJinCHINA, Tijuana, Mexico

Occupy Thirdspace, Space for Art, San Diego, Ca, US

2013

SUR Biennial, Torrance Art Museum, Torrance, Ca, US

The Very Large Array, Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, Ca, US
Incomplete Survey, Space for Art, San Diego, Ca, US

2012

YOU: Investigating Identity, Oceanside Museum of Art, San Diego, Ca, US 2011

Obra negra, El Cubo, Tijuana, Mexico

Vantage Point: Visual Dialogues, Oceanside Museum of Art, San Diego, Ca, US

2010

Chewbacca to Zapata: Revisiting the Myth of the Mexican Revolution, Morno Kiang Gallery, Los Angeles, Ca, USA

Salon Summer Series, San Diego Museum of Art, San Diego, Ca, US

2009

Homing In, Mark Quint Gallery, San Diego, Ca, US

2008

Who Do You Love?, L Street Gallery, San Diego, Ca, US

2007

Viva Mexico!, Zacheta National Gallery, Warsaw, Poland People, Bobbie Greenfield Gallery, Santa Monica, Ca, US New Contemporaries, Simay Space, San Diego, Ca, US

2006

Strange New World/Extraño Nuevo Mundo, Perspectivas de Tijuana, San Diego Museum of Contemporary Art, Santa Monica Museum of Art

Collections

Contemporary Art Museum, San Diego, California, USA Saatchi collection, London, UK Jorge Perez collection, Miami, USA