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PUBLIC ART & COMMISSIONS

- 2025 *Resilience*, North Boston Avenue Underpass Tulsa Oklahoma
Permanent outdoor tile, steel, and paint mosaic mural, made in collaboration with Will Geusz
- 2024 *Rest//Room*, Solemente at the B Ruppe, Albuquerque New Mexico
Permanent indoor bathroom installation with mosaics, furniture, and largescale digital murals, made in collaboration with Will Guesz
- 2023 *Portal*, Permanent outdoor cement arch, with steels and handmade ceramic mosaic, made in collaboration with Jane Gordon, and the Apprenticeship for Arts & Social Justice
- 2022 *Mullein & Mallow*, Fort Logan Mental Health Institute, Denver Colorado
Permanent outdoor Mosaic murals & bench inlays in collaboration with Will Geusz
- Camino*, Mesa Verde Park, Albuquerque, New Mexico
Permanent outdoor steel sculpture and mosaic bench, made in collaboration with Ryan Henel, and the Apprenticeship for Arts & Social Justice
- 2021 *Care*, Lowe's Home Improvement Albuquerque New Mexico
Outdoor Mural as part of the "Lowe's 100 Murals Project"
- Hive*, Kennedy Heights Art Center, Cincinnati, Ohio
Permanent outdoor mosaic sculpture in collaboration with Will Geusz
- 2020 *Nuestras Voces Son Sus Voces*, Albuquerque, New Mexico
Permanent outdoor mural in collaboration with Nazario Wemfer, organized by Secret Gallery
- Cambio*, Mesa Verde Park, Albuquerque, New Mexico
Permanent outdoor mosaic bench, made in collaboration with Ryan Henel, and the Apprenticeship for Arts & Social Justice
- 2019 *Unidos*, Mesa Verde Park, Albuquerque, New Mexico
Permanent outdoor steel sculpture, made in collaboration with Ryan Henel, and the Apprenticeship for Arts & Social Justice
- Breaking Borders*, National Hispanic Cultural Center, Albuquerque, New Mexico
Temporary outdoor mural, made in collaboration with the "Voces" youth group
- Nexus Blue Mosaics*, Nexus Tap Room South Broadway, Albuquerque, New Mexico
Permanent indoor & outdoor mosaics
- Connected Ecosystems*, Animal Care Center, Albuquerque, New Mexico
Indoor mural, made in collaboration with Garfield and Hayes Middle School students
- 2018 *Collective Fragments*, Mesa Verde Community Center, Albuquerque, New Mexico
Mural in collaboration with Adelina Cruz with Garfield and Hayes Middle School students
- Migrations*, Trumbull Village Art Parklet, Albuquerque, New Mexico
Outdoor acrylic mural, made in collaboration with Artful Life's International District Youth Team
- They Are Us and We Are Them*, Albuquerque Museum, Albuquerque, New Mexico
Acrylic on mirror, made for Burque Noirs' event *Making Africa*

My Albuquerque, The Albuquerque Museum, Albuquerque, New Mexico
Collaborative mosaic, made in partnership with Catholic Charities

2016 *Alma Mater*, University of New Mexico Student Union Building, Albuquerque, New Mexico
Permanent outdoor ceramic mosaic mural, made in collaboration with the ASUNM Arts and Crafts Studio

CURATORIAL EXPERIENCE

2020-Present Harwood Art Center, Director of Opportunity, Albuquerque, NM

Fall 2021 & 22 Secrete Gallery, Guest Curator, Albuquerque, NM

2015-2019 Patrician Design, Gallery Manager & Co-Curator, Albuquerque, NM

COMMUNITY ARTS & TEACHING

2023-Present OFFCenter Arts, Board Secretary, Albuquerque, NM

2018-23 The Albuquerque Museum Board of Trustees, Vice Chair Albuquerque, NM

2020-23 516 Arts, Albuquerque NM Governing Board Secretary, Albuquerque, NM

2021 Kennedy Heights Art Center, Community Engaged Artist in Residence,
Cincinnati, OH

2019-2020 OFFCenter Arts, Programs Manager, Albuquerque, NM

2017-2018 Albuquerque Health Care for the Homeless, Art Street, Mentoring Artist in
Residence, Albuquerque, NM

2018 Artful Life, International District Youth Team Coordinator Albuquerque,
NM

2012-2017 The Mayor's Art Institute, Lead Apprentice, Albuquerque, NM

2017 CasaQ, Teaching Artist, Albuquerque, NM

2014-2016 Associated Students of the University of New Mexico, Arts and Crafts
Studio, Executive Director, Albuquerque, NM

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2021 *Fragility*, Secrete Gallery, Albuquerque, NM

2020 *Soft*, Harwood Art Center, Albuquerque, NM

2019 *Body Memory*, Red Door Brewing Downtown, Albuquerque, NM

Plates Against Patriarchy, Harwood Art Center, Albuquerque, NM

2018 *Resilience*, Patrician Design, Albuquerque, NM

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2025 Paseo Project, Taos, NM

2023 Fronteras Micro Film Fest, FUSION, Albuquerque, NM

2022 *Wo/Manhouse 2022*, Through the Flower, Belen NM

- Crisis Intervention* , AC2 Gallery, Albuquerque NM
- 2021 *of shoes and ships and sealing wax*, Matrix Fine Art Gallery, Albuquerque, NM
- Altar*, Secret Gallery, Albuquerque, NM
- Cuerpo*, Secret Gallery, Albuquerque, NM
- 2020 *Polycephaly* Sanitary Tortilla Factory, Albuquerque, NM
- Reset : birds+ Richard*, Albuquerque, NM
- 2019 *Altar*, Secret Gallery, Albuquerque, NM
- Remnants*, OT Circus, Albuquerque, NM
- Lady's Club: A Room For One's Own: birds + Richard*, Berlin, Germany
- Passages*, Open Space Visitor's Center, Albuquerque, NM
- 2018 *Box*, Santa Fe, NM
- Passages Pauses and Pulses*, The CFA Downtown Studio, Albuquerque, NM
- Surface: Emerging Artists of New Mexico*, Harwood Art Center, Albuquerque, NM
- 2017 *What Becomes*, Sanitary Tortilla Factory, Albuquerque, NM

EDUCATION

- 2016 Bachelors of Arts in Art Studio from the University of New Mexico

AWARDS

- 2021 Gateway Fund Albuquerque Edition, supports emerging BIPOC artists, designers, activists, and public intellectuals, Mitchell Squier Albuquerque, NM
- 2021 Bernalillo County Tiny Home Village Public Art Finalist
- 2018 Makeshift Grant Project, Albuquerque Downtown Arts and Cultural District, Albuquerque, NM
- Shine Award, Women and Creativity, Albuquerque, NM
- Reggie Gammon Memorial Award, The Harwood Art Center, Albuquerque, NM

PUBLICATIONS

- 2024 "At Your Service" Highlight, ABQ the Magazine, June 2024 Issue
- 2022 "Wo/Manhouse" Review by Lauren Tresp, SouthWest Contemporary, Vol.6 Rooted: Poetics of Place, Southwest Contemporary Magazine August 26, 2022
- "Judy Chicago's Wo/Manhouse 2022 Could Use Some More Diversity" Review by Annie Bielski, Hyperallergic, July 24, 2022
- "Art Heals at Secret Gallery" Article by Ashley M. Biggers, New Mexico Magazine, May 2022
- 2021 "The Place Where Your Heart Is" Public art celebrates community in Albuquerque's International District. Article by Karie Luidens, South Westness Society & Culture Website, September 2021

Vol. 1 Bodies//Boundaries Southwest Contemporary Magazine, Feature, Spring e

- 2020 "Belly Up" Harwood exhibition ode to tummies of all shapes and sizes. Article By Kathleen Roberts, *Albuquerque Journal*, October 18, 2020
- 2019 "Changing the narrative: Artist unite to create 'Plates Against patriarchy' at Harwood Art Center," Article by Kathleen Roberts, *Albuquerque Journal*, September 1, 2019
- "Through the Fire" Ceramics show draws parallels between women and clay," Article by Alisa Valdez, the Alibi, February 7, 2019
- "Recycled Heart" Artist's portraits aims to dismantle invisibility of homelessness," Article by Kathleen Roberts, *Albuquerque Journal*, January 27, 2019
- 2018 "Rising stars shine in emerging artist show," Review by Wesley Pulka, *Albuquerque Journal*, July 8, 2018
- "Women of Radiance, Celebrating impact and community" Article by David Sanchez *Edible Magazine*, Women and Food Issue, May 30, 2018

PUBLIC SPEAKING

- 2022 *Wo/Manhouse* Artists in Conversation with Apolo Gomez & JP, Through the Flower Art Space, Belen, NM
- 2020 "Soft" Artist Talk, The Harwood Art Center, Albuquerque, NM
- "For the Record: Albuquerque Artists During COVID-19" Local Origination Channel 26 Albuquerque, NM.
- "Episode 4: Helen Atkins Painter, Ceramicist, Art, Educator, and Activist" High School Daze podcast
- "Hidden Histories," Artist Talk, History Festival, National Hispanic Cultural Center Albuquerque, NM
- 2019 "Exploring Identity Through Art" *Bi-Racial Unicorns* podcast
- "Plates Against Patriarchy," Artist Talk, Harwood Art Center, Albuquerque, NM