

## Art Scene

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include techniques designed to achieve both loose abstract images, as well as more traditional impressions. Diaz's contribution involves the use of alcohol inks on YUPO. She will demonstrate vibrant images that can be created with these materials, as well as how to use the inks on ceramic tile.

**Rubin Center** — UTEP's Stanlee and Gerald Rubin Center for the Visual Arts is off Dawson Drive next to the Sun Bowl. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday (open until 7 p.m. Thursday) and noon to 5 p.m. Saturday. Information: 747-6151, rubincenter.utep.edu or on Facebook at RubinCenter.

Showing **through Feb. 16** in the Project Space: "Duality of Presence," featuring 19 contemporary makers united by their concern with "material specificity" in their work, specifically as a way of looking at how material itself can communicate complex and distinct narratives. Each artist is represented by multiple pieces of jewelry. Artist-made videos can be viewed in the gallery via virtual reality platforms.

Showing **Feb. 1-April 6**:

- The 2018 UTEP Department of Art Biennial Faculty Exhibition. Also participating are students in the UTEP Department of Art.

- In the atrium is "Fiamma Montezelmomo: Passing," a solo exhibition of the artist installed on the US-Mexico border hosted by Proyectos Impala of Ciudad Juarez, and the immersive installation "Neon Afterward," featuring words of fluorescent LED blue lights extracted from the Borges' short story, "The Anthropologist."

Opening reception is 5 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, **Feb. 1**.

Showing **March 1-May 4** in the Project Space: winning pieces from the "Siqueiros-Pollock Bi-National Painting Exhibition."

Opening reception is 5 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, **March 1**.

**San Elizario Art District** — Several galleries and artist studios are located 1445 to 1501 Main Street near the San Elizario Plaza on the Mission Trail. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday. Information: 474-1800 or 851-0093.

Featured gallery artists include Albert Escamilla, Robert Dozal, Rob Mack, Palmira Lopez, Manuel Alvarado, Maria Branch, Bert Saldaña, Joanna Franco, Melissa Himes, M. Concepcion, Robert Lichlyter, Amado Pena Jr. and Arturo Avalos.

**Star City Studio** — The music studio and gallery is at 120 W. Castellano. Information: starcitystudioproductions.com, or 240-5756.

Showing **through Feb. 3**: "4 Diverse Women," featuring works by Estelle Goldman, Marie Livingston, Vanessa K. Clark and Lu Allen.

An opening reception is noon to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, **Feb. 10**, for "Sleeping with Lions," an exhibit of new works by gallery owner Pat Olchefski-Winston. The paintings are inspired by Pat's trip to Africa in October 2017, which included a five-day safari and another five days living on preserve for endangered giraffes. The exhibit, which includes images of lions, cheetahs, hippos, rhinos, Cape buffalo, crocodiles and even owls, runs through March 31.

## Las Cruces/Mesilla

**'For the Love of Art month'** — February is "For the Love of Arts Month" in Las Cruces, celebrating the city's various performing and visual arts. The month, sponsored by ArtForms, is highlighted by several special studio tours, exhibits, readings and performances. Information: artformsm.org.

See various gallery listings for event details.

Major events include:

- Studio tours 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays and noon to 4 p.m. Sundays each weekend is

February. See artformsm.org for map.

- ArtForms and Las Cruces Arts Association Member Exhibits at Mas Art, 126 S. Main; Rio Grande Theatre Gallery, 211 N. Main; Mesquite

- Art Gallery, 340 N. Mesquite; Tombaugh Gallery, 2000 S. Solano; Art Obscura, 3206 Harrelson; and The Big Picture, 2001 E. Lohman, Ste. 109.

- 20th Anniversary Gala, 7 to 9:30 p.m. Feb. 2, at Alma d'arte School, \$15 (via artformsm.org).

**Aa Studio** — 2645 Doña Ana Road (Calle de Oro). The gallery features emerging artists as well as the multimedia work by gallery owner Roy van der Aa. Information: (575) 520-8752.

**Art Obscura Gallery** — The fine arts, antiques and collectibles shop and gallery is at 3206 Harrelson in Las Cruces at Mesilla Park. Hours are 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday through Saturday and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. Information: (575) 494-7256, Artobscuragallery.com or on Facebook.

Showing **through Feb. 4**:

- "Silierscape: Photographs of the Southwest" by Nick Gialanella.

- in the Upstairs Tiny Room: "Complex Relations," paintings by Felicia Castro.

**ArtForms Studio Tour** — The Las Cruces-based ArtForms Artist Association of New Mexico presents its annual Studio Tours 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, **Feb. 3-4, Feb. 10-11, Feb. 17-18 and Feb. 24-25**, in celebration of "For the Love of Art Month." The tour features area artists at Las Cruces galleries and studios, many not normally available to the public. Go to artformsm.org for list of participating galleries and studios, and which will be open on which weekends.

**ArtRageous** — Doña Ana Arts Council offers community art classes 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. evenings in February, at DAAC Arts & Cultural Center, in Bulletin Plaza, 1740 Calle de Mercado, Suite D. Classes include materials, light refreshments and a glass of wine. No experience is necessary; all levels welcome. Cost \$25 per class, plus materials (about \$5). Class size limited. Proceeds support the non-profit's community art programs for children. Registration: (575) 523-6403 or daarts.org.

- **Feb. 7**: Sally Quillin; acrylic painting of Josephina's Gate, a Mesilla icon.

- **Feb. 14**: Judy Licht, painting on silk

- **Feb. 21**: Pat Black, gourd painting

- **Feb. 28**: Sally Quillin, pen and ink with watercolor.

**Chaos Collaboration** — Las Cruces Parks and Recreation Department's Teen Programs annual art show for teens by teens, aimed at bringing a fresh perspective to local culture is 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, **Feb. 24**, at Frank O'Brien Papan Community Center, 304 W. Bell. Information: (575) 541-2454.

An artist reception with musical performances will be from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Friday, **Feb. 23**.

**DAAC Arts & Cultural Center** — The gallery at the new Arts Council Arts & Culture Center, 1740 Calle de Mercado. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Information: (575) 523-6403 or daarts.org.

Showing in February in celebration of For the Love of Art Month is works by "The Insiders," a group of artists who get together to discuss art and periodically show as a group. The Insiders include Christina Campbell, C. C. Cunningham, Sherri Doil-Carter, Flo Dougherty, Linda Elkins, Tomi LaPierre, John Northcutt, and Roy van der Aa offering a diverse collection of art, which includes paintings, collage, prints, and sculpture.

Opening reception and artist meet and greet is 5 to 7 p.m. Saturday, **Feb. 3**. Refreshments served.



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**Tom Lea**



**Manuel Acosta**



**Jose Cisneros**



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**ARTalk Feb. 22, 5-7 pm**      on display thru April 13

## 2018 "Amor sin Fronteras" Calendars

**\$5**

**450 works online**



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Doil Assemblages by Ho Baron  
The Unseen Figures by DaVinci HS Students

**Crossland Gallery 500 W. Paisano**  
On display through Saturday, February 24

EPAA  
General Meeting  
& Demo by  
Rene B. Sanders  
Saturday, FEB. 10<sup>th</sup>  
10am - 12pm

EPAA General Meeting  
& Demo by Rene B. Sanders  
Sat, February 10, 10am-12pm  
Fundamentals of  
Life Drawing & Portraiture  
Bring your own supplies  
to draw along with the artist.

Pensive Little  
By Diana Dieguez  
Second Place

**CALL-to-ARTISTS-of-all-mediums**  
Deadline to enter Wednesday, March 28  
Prospectus & Online-Entry [www.elpasoartassociation.com](http://www.elpasoartassociation.com)

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**DRAWING WORKSHOP SATURDAY'S FEB 3, 10, 17 9am-4pm \$150 with Ron Fritsch**

Life Drawing Sessions THURSDAY'S 5:30-8:30pm at the ART JUNCTION (2nd floor) \$10 All are welcome.



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