

## Art Scene

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available on a walk-in basis. Admission is free. Information: 543-6747 or [internationalmuseumofart.net](http://internationalmuseumofart.net).

The 18th annual Sun Bowl Art Exhibition runs **through Dec. 31**.

An opening reception is 1-5 p.m. Saturday, **Dec. 9**, for "Visions," works of Chilean and North American contemporary Art by Veronica Leiton and Marino. The exhibit continues **through Jan. 6**.

Leiton is a Chilean living in Juarez, who has painted professionally for 33 years. Through her art, she seeks "to capture the invisible worlds that are connecting and communicating with each other: from the cellular world (Micros) to Earth and other worlds (Macros)."

Marino A. Rios, M.D. retired after 50 years as a surgeon to become a sculptor. He often blends bronze into wood, which creates very unique pieces.

**Krystyna Robbins Studio** — Krystyna Robbins will host her annual Christmas Miniature Sale noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, **Dec. 10**, at the Robbins Studio, 5070 Yucca.

Retablos, slates, miniatures and small paintings and other works will be for sale.

Robbins will lead a workshop on oils and acrylics Jan. 8-11 at Innsbruck Village in Ruidoso. Information: 584-0953, 309-1898 or [krystynarobbins.com](http://krystynarobbins.com).

**La Galeria de la Mision de Senecú** — The Ysleta Independent School District's gallery is at 8455 Alameda. Hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Admission is free. Information: 434-9703, 434-9711, or on Facebook at YISDFineArts.

The annual Virgen de Guadalupe exhibit runs **Dec. 1-Jan. 11**, with Awards reception 5 to 9 p.m. Friday, **Dec. 8**.

**Plein Air Painters** — The artwork of the plein air Painters of El Paso will be featured **through Dec. 31**, at Ardovino's Desert Crossing, One Ardovino Drive, in Sunland Park. Artists include Rachel Murphree, Candy Mayer, Rami Scully, Dorian Clouser, Judy Crumley, Lisa Hiebert, Krystyna Robbins, Santiago Gonzalez, Winfrey Hearst, Oween Rath and others. Information: (575) 589-0653, ext. 3, or visit [ardovinos.com](http://ardovinos.com).

**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](http://rubincenter.utep.edu) or on Facebook at RubinCenter.

Showing **through Dec. 15**:

- "Simplified World" by Suzi Davidoff, drawings on found maps and globes, with accompanying hand-drawn animation.

- "George Rodriguez: Where is Our Exile?" Seattle-based ceramist George Rodriguez is a native El Pasoan whose figurative ceramic work engages directly with the political, social and cultural dimensions of immigrants, Mexican-Americans and other communities of color in the U.S. and beyond.

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.

**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.

To get there, take Loop 375 South from I-10, exit Socorro Rd., then drive 7 miles east to Main Street.

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/OM Gallery** — The music studio and gallery is at 120 W. Castellano. Information: [starcitystudioproductions.com](http://starcitystudioproductions.com), or 240-5756.

An opening reception is 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 9, for "4 Diverse Women," featuring works by Estelle Goldman, Marie Livingston, Vanessa K. Clark and Lu Allen. The exhibit continues through Feb. 3.

On sale are Pat Olchefski-Winston's 2018 "All Time Favorites!" calendars.

**Titovets School of Art Show & Sale** — The school hosts its 17th annual show 4 to 8 p.m. Saturday, and 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday, **Dec. 16-17**, at the Woman's Club of El Paso, 1400 N. Mesa, featuring works of various subjects, styles and sizes by new and established artists who are students of Sasha and Lyuba Titovets. Admission is free. Information: 539-9015.

The Titovetses graduated with master of fine arts degrees in St. Petersburg, Russia and in 1992 immigrated to El Paso. They since have received numerous regional and national awards for their paintings.

**'V Transborder Biennial 2018'** — El Paso Museum of Art (EPMA) and Museo de Arte de Ciudad Juárez (MACJ) are taking call for entries to the Transborder Biennial 2018 online **through Dec. 5**. The Transborder Biennial 2018 will be on view June 1-Sept. 16 at EPMA and MACJ. Information: [EPMA-info@elpasotexas.gov](mailto:EPMA-info@elpasotexas.gov) or [elpasoartmuseum.org/exhibitions/biennial.exhibition](http://elpasoartmuseum.org/exhibitions/biennial.exhibition).

## Las Cruces/Mesilla

**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](http://Artobscuragallery.com) or on Facebook.

Showing **through Dec. 3**: "Return Trip," tattoo style art by Christopher Schaffner.

**Cutter Gallery** — 2640 El Paseo (at University), Las Cruces. Hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. Information: (575) 541-0658 or [thecuttergallery.com](http://thecuttergallery.com).

An opening reception is 1-4 p.m. Saturday, **Dec. 2**, for "Beyond the Familiar," an exhibit of works by Rosemary McLoughlin that share her love of Ireland and its culture. The show title is taken from a poem by St. Brendan, patron saint of sailors and whales. The exhibit's paintings depict tales of voyages by the 6th century saint. The exhibit continues through Jan. 6.

**Las Cruces Museum of Art** — 491 N. Main (Downtown Mall). Hours are 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday through Friday (until 8 p.m. Thursday), 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, plus 5 to 7 p.m. during the First Friday Ramble.

Closed Sunday and Monday. All city museums closed Dec. 23-26. Information: (575) 541-2137 or [las-cruces.org/museums](http://las-cruces.org/museums).

Showing **through Jan. 20, 2018**: "Art in Detail," 20th Century Masters of Photography, 30 photographs that explore texture, light, and the interplay of these qualities in the work of established and emerging masters of photography. Working primarily in black and white film, each of the artists in this exhibition possesses the technical skills required to work in photography.

Included are masters Imogene Cunningham, Aaron Siskind, Wynn Bullock, and Barbara Morgan

Local artist and photographer Bree Lamb will present a free "how to" on macro (close up) photography and manipulating images in Photoshop 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, **Dec. 2**.

Reading Art Book Club meets at 2:30 p.m. the second Wednesday of every month, next door in the Museum of Nature and Science classroom. The **Dec. 13** book is "Broad Strokes: 15 Women Who Made Art and Made History" by Bridget Quinn.

Artrageous free art appreciation activities are 10 a.m. to noon every Saturday. The December theme is "Holiday Art."

**Mesilla Valley Fine Arts Gallery** — 2470-A Calle de Guadalupe in Mesilla, across from the Fountain Theatre. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. The gallery features more than 30 artists in various media. New works displayed every three months. Information: (575) 522-2933 or [mesillavalleyfinearts.com](http://mesillavalleyfinearts.com).

Receptions are 1 to 4 p.m. the first Saturday of each month.

December's featured artists are Mary Zawacki and Frank Rimbach. Zawacki paints primarily with oils and pastels. She had a career as an

advertising art director and graphic designer, working over 20 years in Los Angeles for advertising agencies specializing in the movie industry. Rimbach has studied extensively both old and modern masters, and works primarily in landscapes, bookcase series and his modern abstracts.

**Quesenberry Gallery** — Quesenberry Farmhouse Gallery, 825 Quesenberry. Information: (575) 523-9760 or [bonniemandoe.com](http://bonniemandoe.com).

A show featuring the works of Connie Falk and Bonnie Mandoe is 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, **Dec. 9-10**, with refreshments and live music by guitarist Rick Hatfield.

The gallery is a half-mile west from the intersection of Picacho and Valley Drive. Travel west on Picacho, turn south at Quesenberry to the restored historical farmhouse tucked behind the rock wall.

**Rio Grande Theatre Gallery** — 211 N. Main in Las Cruces. Information: (575) 541-2290, [riograndetheatre.org](http://riograndetheatre.org) or on Facebook.

Showing **Dec. 1-16**: "Experience the Monument" exhibit, works by Kayla Blundell. Blundell's artwork ranges from representational landscapes to abstract paintings. Her work is primarily oil, acrylic, watercolor, and soft pastel. Reception is 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, **Dec. 1**, as part of the First Friday Downtown Ramble.

**Rokoko Art Gallery** — 1785 Avenida de Mercado in Mesilla. Hours are noon to 5 p.m. Saturdays; most other days by appointment. Information: (505) 690-6915 or [rokokoart.com](http://rokokoart.com).

**Second Saturday Open Artist Studios** — Several Las Cruces artists will host studio open houses noon to 5 p.m. Saturday, **Dec. 9**.

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call to artists & photographers  
figure & portrait \$\$ award show & sale  
deadline to enter Tuesday, January 9, 2018

**Nacho L. GARCIA Jr.**  
judge of the PUSH PIN AWARD  
for life drawing

**Ho BARON**  
featured artist  
judge of 3D AWARD

**Agnes ANSELL**  
opening performance

FREE Life Drawing Session voucher with entry, used at Art Junction \$10 value  
Opening Reception, Friday, January 19, 2018 5:30-7:30pm  
prospectus & online entry form [www.elpasoartassociation.com](http://www.elpasoartassociation.com)  
Crossland Gallery 500 W. Paisano 915.534.7377

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

**Splash of Autumn** EPAA Member's Exhibit - through December 16

500 W. Paisano (at Durango)  
hours: Tue-Fri 11am-4pm, Sat 9am-1pm  
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