

Southwest Art Scene

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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, rubin-center.utep.edu or on Facebook.

Showing **through Dec. 15**: "Simplified World" by Suzi Davidoff, drawings on found maps and globes and with an accompanying hand-drawn animation. Reception and catalog launch is 5 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, **Oct. 12**.

Showing **Oct. 12-Dec. 15** in the Rubin and L Gallery: "George Rodriguez: Where is Our Exile?" Seattle-based ceramist George Rodriguez is a native El Pasoan whose figura-

tive 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, evoking conditions of displacement, longing and belonging. Opening reception is 5 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, **Oct. 12**. Artist lecture is noon that same day.

Showing **Oct. 12-Feb. 16**: "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 reflecting this concern. Artist-made videos can be viewed in the gallery via virtual reality platforms.

Opening reception is 5 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, **Oct. 12**.

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.

Las Cruces/Mesilla

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.

Showing **through Oct. 5**: "Ebony Wings and Other Things," paintings by Linda Gendall. Gendall has always been intrigued by the large soot-black birds, which visit Las Cruces annually but stay only a short time. Six raven paintings form the centerpiece of her latest exhibit.

DAAC Arts & Cultural Center — The gallery is 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 las-cruces-arts.org.

Showing **Oct. 1-30**: "Photographers' Expansion V Exhibition," photography by area artists Emmitt Booher, Sirous Partovi, James Rodgers, Paul Schranz and Storm Sermay. Opening is at the center's gala celebration, 5 to 8:30 p.m. Sunday, **Oct. 1**. Tickets: \$25 in advance; \$30 at the door.

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. Information: (575) 541-2137 or las-cruces.org/museums.

Showing **through Oct. 21**: The biennial "From The Ground Up XXVII" exhibit by Potters' Guild of Las Cruces.

Events in conjunction with the exhibit:

- "Influence of Ancient Potter" talk with ceramist Glenn Shcwaiger on her travels to China is 2:30 to 4 p.m. Wednesday, **Oct. 4**.
- A panel discussion on the exhibit it 1:30 to 3 p.m. Saturday, **Oct. 14**.

Session Two of the museum's Studio Programs Art Classes run **Oct. 18-Dec. 9**.

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. Information: (575) 522-2933 or mesillavalleyfinearts.com.

Receptions are 1 to 4 p.m. the first Saturday of each month. October's featured artists are Judy Bess, acrylic painter, and Roxana Quinell, mixed media.

Promoting Art in Las Cruces — Doña Ana Arts Council's free series is noon Friday, **Oct. 27**, at DAAC's new Arts & Cultural Center in Mesilla's Bulletin Plaza, 1740 Calle de Mercado. Presentation is "Right of Use and Copyright Law for Artists" by local attorney, Kelly Albers. Admission is free; lunch may be purchased. RSVP: (575) 523-6403.

The Gallery at Big Picture — The gallery's new location is 2001 E. Lohman, Suite

109, in Las Cruces. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Saturday. Information: (575) 647-0508. Showing **through Oct. 15** are works by Carmen Navar and Laurie Churchill.

thetheatregallery — Black Box Theatre lobby, 430 N. Downtown Mall in Las Cruces. Open one hour prior to Black Box performances. Information: (575) 523-1223.

Showing **Oct. 6-29** is an invitational exhibit in conjunction with No Strings' production of "Little Shop of Horrors." The exhibit features painters Irene Steele, Mary Zawacki and Flo Hosa Dougherty, fabric artists Abby Osborne, Ann Angelo and Joan Jensen, weaver Marilyn Hansen, ceramic artists Lesli Zerr and Joe Angelo, and photographer Rachel Courtney. Opening is 8 p.m. Friday, **Oct. 6**.

Tombaugh Gallery — First Unitarian Universalist Church of Las Cruces, 2000 S. Solano. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Information: (575) 522-7281 or uuchurchlc.org.

Showing **through Oct. 27**: "Migration Towards Stillness," pottery, paintings and tapestries by Scott and Susan Goewey. Susan Goewey's works consist of landscape tapestries and paintings. Ceramics artist Scott Goewey produced functional pottery for peoples' everyday lives, and has now added sculptural works and carved porcelain to his pieces. Artist reception is 1:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday, **Oct. 1**.

'What's In A Title?' — The art exhibit by Paul A. Vakselis, M.D., is **Oct. 3-Nov. 30**, at Cafe de Mesilla, 2190 Avenida de Mesilla in Las Cruces, featuring landscape, inspirational, architecture and general interest works. Hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily (closed Tuesday). Receptions are 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, **Oct. 6 and Nov. 3**. Admission is free. Information: (575) 524-0000 or on Facebook at Cafe de Mesilla.

Also

Deming Arts Center — 100 Gold Street in Deming, N.M. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Admission is free. Information, details: (575) 546-3663, demingarts.org or on Facebook.

Showing **Oct. 3-25**: Black Range Artists. Reception is 1 to 3 p.m. Sunday, **Oct. 8**.

Also in October is the bi-annual Guatemalan Mercado 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, **Oct. 27-28**.

Red Dot Red Hot ArtFest and Studio Tour — The annual event runs Friday through Sunday, **Oct. 7-8** and **Oct. 13-15**, at studios and galleries in Silver City, N.M. with art shows, receptions, studio tours, demonstrations, youth activities and workshops. Headquarters are at Seedboat Gallery, 214 W. Yankie, with information, brochures, maps and guides, as well as the Independent and Studio Artists' Exhibit. Information: (575) 313-9631 or silvercityart.com.

During the first weekend, galleries will be open with special shows, receptions and exhibitions. Music will be in the galleries and on the streets. Event includes a paint out for plein air painters, with prizes and sales.

The Art Couture Fashion Show is Sunday, **Oct. 8**, in the Seedboat courtyard.

The second weekend includes Silver City Art Association Studio Artists studio tours 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, **Oct. 14-15**. Artists reception is 4 to 6 p.m. Friday, **Oct. 13**, at the Visitor Center.

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Saturday, Oct. 14

The easy-to-hike trail, with spectacular panoramas of two countries and three cities, leads 2.5 miles to the summit to the famous statue of Christ on the Cross.

The trail will be open 8 a.m. to noon, Sat. Oct. 14
All hikers should begin no later than 9 a.m.
Plan on 2-3 hours for the hike.

El Paso Scene Editor Randy Limbird will lead a guided hike beginning at 8:15 a.m. with talks on area history offered along the trail and at the summit.

Security will be provided at the parking lot and on the trail.

No reservations needed.

Requested \$3 donation (\$2 children) to support the Mt. Cristo Restoration Committee.

To get there: Take Sunland Park Drive to Doniphan, turn south, then west on Racetrack Drive. Cross the Rio Grande bridge, then turn south on McNutt Road (Highway 273). Go about 1 mile and turn right on road leading to the Mt. Cristo Rey parking lot.

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