

Debora Knetzral Varguez

Education

2000University of Wisconsin MadisonMaster of Fine Arts – 2-D & 3-D2000Universidad Nahuatl, Ocotepec, MorelosPainting & Traditional Culture-Certificate1997The School of the Art Institute of ChicagoAdvanced Painting Institute-Certificate

1995 Texas Woman's University, Denton Bachelors of Arts – 2-D & 3-D - Magna Cum Laude

Teaching Experience

2014-present Associate Professor & Visual Arts Program Head, Our Lady of the Lake University, San Antonio, Texas

2011-2013 Education Director, Healing Arts Program, Bihl Haus Arts, San Antonio, Texas

2006-2010 Visiting Professor, Our Lady of the Lake University, San Antonio, Texas

2006-2007 Visiting Artist, Healing Arts Program, Jump Start Performance Company, San Antonio, Texas

2003-2006 Lecturer, Palo Alto College, San Antonio, Texas

2001–2002 Visiting Artist, MujerArtes, Esperanza Peace and Justice Center, San Antonio, Texas

2001–2002 Lecturer, St. Phillip's College, San Antonio, Texas

2000 Directed Student Mural, Chicana/o Studies Program, UW Madison (Assisted by Malaquias Montoya)

1999 Lecturer, Chicana Feminism, Chicana/o Studies Program, UW Madison

1998 Lecturer, Contemporary Issues in Chicana/o Art, Chicana/o Studies Program, UW Madison

Professional Experience

2021 Domestic Violence Art Project, Metropolitan Health District, San Antonio, Texas

2018 – present Business Owner, Puro Corazon Art Online Store

2016 – present Business Owner, Corazones On Fire: Painting With a Cultural Edge, San Antonio, Texas

2011 – 2013 Arts Education Director, Bihl Haus Arts, San Antonio, Texas 2010 – 2011 Café Owner, Cafe Citlali @ Gallista Gallery, San Antonio, Texas

2007 – 2009 Visual Arts Program Coordinator, Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center, San Antonio, Texas

2005 – 2007 Graphic Artist, Women Studies Institute, University of Texas San Antonio 2005 – 2010 Graphic Artist, Kinesiology Department, University of Texas San Antonio

2001 – 2003 Visual Arts Program Director, Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center, San Antonio, Texas

Curatorial Experience

2019 El Mero Hueso Photo Exhibition, Providence Blue Room, Our Lady of the Lake University, San Antonio, TX

2018 Sister Maria Eva "MC" presents Mexican American/ Chicana Photo Exhibition, Providence Blue Room, Our

Lady of the Lake University, San Antonio, TX

2017 On & Off Fred Studio Tour: OLLU Alumnae Exhibition, Corazones On Fire Studio, San Antonio, Texas

2015 Como La Flor: Honoring Selena Art Exhibition, Guadalupe Cultural Arts, San Antonio, Texas

Mujeres: Pride of the Westside Exhibition, Blue Room, Our Lady of the Lake University, San Antonio, TX

2011 Luchadoras: Reclaiming Woman's Voice, Movement Gallery, San Antonio, Texas

2010 Corazones On Fire Schools W/O Art Project, Gallista Gallery, San Antonio, Texas

Koyolxauki Art Exhibition, 2nd Annual International Conference on the Art & Work of Gloria Anzaldua, Gallista

Gallery, San Antonio, Texas

2009 Chale Con El Pleito, Arriba Con Las Cholas Exhibition & Runway Fashion Show, Gallista Gallery, San Antonio

Cristal Contemporaneo, Galeria Tonantzin, Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center, San Antonio, Texas Gema: Dando A Luz Al Arte de Mujer, Galeria Tonantzin, Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center, San Antonio

Alma de Mujer, Corazon de Hombre, Luz de Luna Gallery, Gallista Gallery, San Antonio, Texas

2008 Puro Conjunto Puro Corazon Exhibition, Galeria Tonantzin, Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center, San Antonio, Texas

Alma Indigena: Tierra, Raiz, y Sangre, Galeria Tonantzin, Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center, San Antonio, Texas 2003 Arte Contemporaneo Exhibition, Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center, San Antonio, Texas SA/LA Preview Exhibition, Los Lobos Concert-Lila Cockrell Convention Center, San Antonio, Texas ChicaNuvo: Contemporary Chicana/o Works, Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center, San Antonio, Texas La Chicana, Mexican-American Unity Council, San Antonio, Texas Asì Nacimos Exhibition, Ay Chispas Gallery, San Antonio, Texas 2002 Tapetes: Weavings of Pastora Gutierrez-Oaxacan Artist, Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center, San Antonio, TX Mikailhuitl: Fiesta de Muertos, Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center, San Antonio, Texas Wash Cycle, 710 Gallery, Madison, Wisconsin 1999 1997 Territories of Spirit, Commonwealth Art Space, Madison, Wisconsin Selected Exhibitions and Projects 2022 XicanX: Dreamers & Changemakers, Museum of Anthropology at the University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Scent of Magnolias on a Hot Summer Night, Ceramic Painting for Poet's Plaza, City of San Antonio, Texas 2020 We Want As Much: Politits Juried Art Exhibition. At the Yard Art Collective, Rochester, NY. 2019 Mundos Alternos: Art & Science Fiction in the Americas. Queens Museum, Queens, NY. Café Negro Mestizaie: La Tercer Raiz. XXII Scientific Conference on African American Social and Cultural 2018 Anthropology. Museo Casa de África, Centro Histórico de La Habana Vieja, Habana, Cuba. Voz: Selections from the UTSA Art Collection Exhibition. Centro de Artes Gallery, San Antonio, Texas. Pride Exhibition. Plaza de Armas Gallery, San Antonio, Texas 2017 Mundos Alternos; Art and Science Fiction in the Americas, September 16, 2017–February 4, 2018. University of California Riverside. Part of the Getty's Pacific Standard Time: LA/LA, brings together works by over thirty contemporary artists and collectives from across the Americas who use science fiction to imagine new realities and alternate worlds. Mujeres de Maiz: 20 Years of ARTivism Retrospect L.A., La Plaza de Culturas y Artes, Los Angeles, CA 2016 Curandera Installation, Luminaria Take Two 2016, San Antonio Museum of Art, San Antonio, Texas Noche Buena Exhibition, Galeria 237, WETC, San Antonio, Texas Indigenous Women, September 2016, Movement Gallery, San Antonio, Texas 2015 Veinticinco Exhibition, UTSA Gallery, University of Texas San Antonio, Texas 21 Migratory Dreams, EVA Gallery, San Antonio, Texas 2014 Mujeres de Maiz Exhibition, Tonalí Gallery, Los Angeles, CA Fridamania New Media Exhibition, Museum of Latin American Art, Long Beach, CA. Latino Art: El Corazón de San Antonio, Museo Alameda, San Antonio, Texas 2013 40th Anniversary Lesbian Herstory Exhibition, Johannes Vogt Gallery, New York, NY. La Curandera: Healing Traditions de Mi Gente-Solo Exhibition, Casa de La Cultura, Del Rio, TX 2012 Glow: The Nuclear Show, Bihl Haus Arts, San Antonio, Texas Willie Velasquez: The boy made of lightning One-Woman Preview Exhibition, Bihl Haus Arts, San Antonio, Texas Cultural y Vida: A Tejano Art Exhibition, Texas A & M University Kingsville 2011 Sobreviviente: Gunaa Xoo Transforming Life One Woman Exhibition, Bihl Haus Arts, San Antonio, Texas I Was Born Here-One Woman Installation, Bihl Haus Arts, San Antonio, Texas

2010 Dias de Muertos, La Peña Art Gallery, Austin, Texas

Mix and Match, Mexic-Arte Museum, Austin, Texas

2009 Koyolxauki Ceramic Mural, El Sol y La Luna Restaurant, Austin, Texas

Chicano Biennial, MACLA, San Jose, California

Yo Soy/I Am DVD Release Exhibition presented by Arizona State University's Hispanic Resource Center

	and Bilingual Press Review, Gallista Gallery, San Antonio, Texas
2008	Presenting Gallista Gallery, Arizona State University, Tempe Mujeres Activas en Letras y Cambio Social, Mestizo Gallery, Salt Lake City, Utah Fiesta de Muertos Installation, Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center, San Antonio, Texas
2007	Intersectionalities, Feminist Art Exhibition, National Women in the Arts-Wisconsin, UW Madison Transdiapora, National Women in the Arts Conference, Deloran Gallery, St. Charles, IL. Exhibition part of the Feminist Art Project, Rutgers University Chicano Biennial, MACLA, San Jose, California Dia De Los Muertos Installation, MACC Mexican American Cultural Center, Austin, Texas
2006	Intersections, Joyce Gordon Gallery, Oakland, California Locating Acts of Courage, Tonantzin Gallery, San Juan Bautista, California
2005	Pan de Dulce: Diaz de los Muertos Installation, Blue Star Art Complex, San Antonio, Texas Tlasohtla: El Amor Tiene Muchas Caras, Solo Exhibition funded by the Andy Warhol Foundation. Esperanza Peace and Justice Center, San Antonio, Texas MASA, Mexican American Space Association, Gallista Gallery, San Antonio, Texas
2004	The Rio Bravo Exhibition, McAllen Museum of Art, McAllen, Texas
2003	Loteria, Las Manitas Art Gallery, Austin, Texas The Women, Women's Museum, Dallas, Texas Gregory Luna Foundation Art Exhibition and Fundraiser, University of Texas at San Antonio, Texas
2002	Asì Nacimos Exhibition, Ay Chispas Gallery, San Antonio, Texas
2001	Ya Vine Pa'tras Exhibition, Esperanza Peace & Justice Center, San Antonio, Texas
2000	Cesar Chavez Mural, Chicana and Chicano Studies Program, UW Madison Café Citlali Installation and Exhibit, 710 Gallery, University of Wisconsin Madison
1999	Wash Cycle, 7th Floor Gallery, UW Madison Troubling Customs II International Exhibition, Germany

Troubling Customs International Exhibition, Ontario Art & Design Gallery, Toronto, Ontario Guadalupe III: 12 x12 Exhibition, Santa Fe Council for the Arts, New Mexico

IL Maniero of Re-membering: Honoring Wise Women Exhibition, Ceres Gallery, NYC The 4th Annual Retablo & Ex-Voto Auction, Mexic-Arte Museum, Austin, Texas

IL Maniero of Re-membering: Honoring Wise Women Exhibition, Germany

Territories of Spirit Exhibition, Commonwealth Gallery, Madison, WI

Selected Presentations and Publications

1998

1997

Selected Presentation	
2022	Presentation: XicanX Speaks. Museum of Anthropology at the University of British Columbia, Vancouver, CAN Panelist/Presenter: Diálogo: Conversation About Latin American Art in North America. VLACC Vancouver Latin American Cultural Centre, Contemporary Art Gallery, Vancouver, Canada
2021	Presentation: Are We Down and Brown? Our Lady of the Lake University, San Antonio, Texas
2020	Presentation: Decolonization Not the Same as Diversification, Our Lady of the Lake University, San Antonio, TX
2019	Presentation: The Influence of Basquiat on My Work. Queens Museum, Queens, New York. Presentation: Arroz Con Pollo y Nopalitos: Basquiat and I. Brandt Museum, New York, New York
2018	Presenter/ Exhibitor: XXII Taller Científico de Antropología Social y Cultural Afroamericana, Museo Casa de África, Centro Histórico de La Habana Vieja. Habana, Cuba. Presenter: Southwest Fulbright Symposium, University of Texas San Antonio, Texas
2017	Panelist/Presenter: Mundos Alternos, San Antonio Book Festival, Central Library. Greg Barrios, John Philip Santos, Cathryn Merla Watson, and Ben Olguin.
2016	Keynote: "Decolonial Epistemologies: Spaces & Circuits of Artistic Production, UTSA

Presentation: Inside Art-Aztlan Journal, UCLA Chican@ Studies Journal, Los Angeles, California Article and Art-Aztlan Journal, UCLA Chican@ Studies Journal, Los Angeles, California Presentation: Curandera. 2016 NACCS National Association of Chicana and Chicano Studies, Denver, CO 2014 Presentation: "La Catrina: An Amusing Satirical Bourgeois Symbol in A Celebration Rooted in Ancestral Culture," Wellesley College, Massachusetts. Book Cover: Domestic Disturbances: Re-Imaging Narratives of Gender, Labor, and Immigration. Dr. Irene Mata. University of Texas Press. Presentation: "La Guerrillera Project: Canciones, Arte y Curaciones," Northern New Mexico College, Española, New Mexico. Book Cover: MALCS Mujeres Activas en Letras y Cambio Social Journal. Ed. Dr. Josie Mendez Negrete. University of Texas Press, 2014. Presentation: "Wild Tongues," San Antonio Main Library, San Antonio, Texas 2013 Presentation: "From Sugar Skulls to Kopal: Iconography and Signification in Dia de Los Muertos Altares," Wellesley College, Massachusetts. Presentation: "Healing The Memory With Beauty," Beacon Center, Brooklyn, NY Presentation: "Chicana Superheroes, Cantantes, and Cantineras Making Arte Tejana Style," NACCS National Association of Chicana & Chicana Studies National Conference, San Antonio, Texas 2012 Presentation: "Dando A Luz Con La Magia del Arte," NACCS National Association of Chicana & Chicana Studies Texas Regional Conference, Texas State University, San Marcos, Texas Presentation: "La Guerrillera Project," 3rd Annual International Conference on the Art and Work of Gloria Anzaldua, University of Texas San Antonio. Presentation: 'How To Tame A Wild Tongue,' Trinity University, San Antonio, Texas Healthy Food Demonstrations: Tiendita Por Vida Healthy Food Demonstrations (Series of 8), Metropolitan Health District, San Antonio, Texas Ceramics Workshops: "Las Siete Guerrilleras Clay Workshop (Series of 4)," South Town Community Organic Gardens, San Antonio, Texas Publication: "La Gloria Eres Tu." El Mundo Zurdo Celebrating 20 Years of Borderlands/La 2011 Frontera. Ed. Norma E. Cantù and Christina L. Gutierrez. Aunt Lute Press, 2010. Keynote: "Revolution of Mind, Body, and Spirit." National MEChA Conference, University of Wisconsin Madison Presentation: "Anzalduan Influence on Chicana Art." NACCS National Association of Chicana & Chicana Studies, Texas Regional Conference, South Texas College, McAllen, Texas Presentation: "Coming Into Consciencia." St. Philips College, San Antonio, Texas 2010 Book Cover: Cantù, Norma. El Mundo Zurdo: Selected Works from the Meetings of the Society for the Study of Gloria Anzaldùa. Aunt Lute Press, 2010. Plenary: "El Mundo Zurdo, 2nd Annual International Conference on the Art and Work of Gloria Anzaldua," University of Texas San Antonio. Publication: Citlali: Intro, July. Todo Austin. Monthly Publication 2009 Publication: Citlali: Las Siete Guerrilleras, August. Todo Austin. Monthly Publication Publication: Citlali: Las Drogas, September. Todo Austin. Monthly Publication Publication: Citlali: Dia de Los Muertos, Oct/Nov. Todo Austin. Monthly Publication Publication: Citlali: Fiestas Navideñas, Dec/Jan. Todo Austin. Monthly Publication DVD Release: Yo Soy/I Am, The Artwork of Deborah Kuetzpalin Vasquez, The San Antonio Gallista Community, Hispanic Resource Center, Arizona State University, Tempe Presentation & Publication: "La Magia de Gloria, El Mundo Zurdo," 1st International Conference on the Art and Work of Gloria Anzaldua, University of Texas San Antonio 2008 Plenary: "Citlali: Art and Community Healing Through the Acknowledgement of Our Raices Indigenas," MALCS Mujeres Activas en Letras y Cambio Social Conference, University of Utah, Salt Lake City. Presentation: "Our Raices As The Power Within." Arte Sana's "Nuestras Voces: Collaboration and Transformation en la Comunidad" National Conference, San Antonio, Texas 2007 Presentation: "Traiciòn y Venganza: What To Do When Loves Gone Bad?" National Women in the Arts Conference, University of Wisconsin Madison Presentation: "Citlalita Goes to Oaxaca for Dia de Los Muertos," Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center, San Antonio 2006 Presentation: "Pre-Columbian Influences on Contemporary Art," SAMA San Antonio Museum of Art

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ALGBTIC 2016 Conference, Hotel Contessa, San Antonio, Texas

San Antonio Museum of Art

Panel Discussion: Not Your Normal Place: Artists Taking Their Work to Non-Traditional Sites, SAMA

Lithograph: "La Chicana Flecha El Futuro A La Luz De La Luna," Chicana/o Collection for UTSA

Presentation: "Guernica," Universal and Enduring," Jumpstart Performance Company, San Antonio, Texas Presentation & Graphic Design: "Superheroes Con Huipiles, Juntas Creating A Stronger Future Conference,"

University of Texas San Antonio UTSA

Presentation: "Raices: Deconstructing the Learning Process Through the Lens of Our Origins,"

Creating Institutional Change in Big 10 Universities Conference, University of Wisconsin Madison

2004 Illustration: La Mujeres de Juarez, NALAC National Assoc. of Latino Arts and Culture, San Antonio, Texas

Illustration: Citlali -Los Siete Guerrilleros, El Placazo, San Anto Cultural Center, San Antonio, Texas

2003 Cover Design: Gonzales, Patrisia. The Mud People. University of Arizona Press. 2003.

Presentation: "Tonantzin Through the Eyes of Koatlatoak, Mural Blessing," San Anto Mural Project and NALAC

National Association of Latina/o Arts and Culture, San Antonio, Texas Publication: "Coming Back, Tonantzin," Arts & Culture Journal, spring, Ed. Publication: "La Chicana, Tonantzin," Arts & Culture Journal, Spring, Ed.

Illustration: Citlali -Las Siete Guerrilleras, La Voz de la Esperanza Arts Journal, February

2002 Keynote: "The Evolution of Chicanismo-Natural Adaptation or Destruction of a Cultura," National MEChA

Movimiento Estudiantil Chicana/o de Aztlan Conference, Houston, Texas

Presentation: "Mural Blessing," San Anto Mural Project and the Guadalupe House, San Antonio, Texas Presentation: "Visual Arts at the Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center," Museum of Modern Art, North Adams, Mass Presentation: "Funding for the Arts at the Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center," Ford Foundation, New York, NY

University & Community Service

2021-present Undergraduate General Education Committee, Our Lady of the Lake University, San Antonio, Texas

San Anto Cultural Arts Program, Board Member, San Antonio, Texas

2020 Decolonization Not the Same as Diversification, Our Lady of the Lake University, San Antonio, Texas

2017 Research in Cuba: Study Abroad Informational

Afrika: The 3rd Root of Mexican Art Exhibition & Faculty Assembly Reception

McNair Scholars Program Mentor, OLLU, San Antonio, Texas 2016- present

2016 Fundraiser-Raices Refugee & Immigrant Center for Education, Corazones On Fire, San Antonio, Texas

Chicana Art Specialist, Sarah Castillo's MA Thesis Defense-UTSA, San Antonio, Texas

Texas Educators Curriculum Committee, TECC Monthly Meetings, Board Member, OLLU, San Antonio 2015 - 2019

P.E.A.C.E. Initiative, Putting an End to Abuse through Community Effort, Board Chair

Safe Zone Training, OLLU, San Antonio, Texas

Service Learning Faculty Committee, OLLU, San Antonio, Texas

2014 - present Texas Educators Curriculum Committee, TECC Monthly Meetings, Board Member, OLLU, San Antonio

> P.E.A.C.E. Initiative. Putting an End to Abuse through Community Effort. Board Chair Curate & Present, Final Exhibitions and Capstone Presentations, OLLU, San Antonio, Texas

Professional Affiliations and Honors

National

2013 Leadership Institute NALAC National Association of Latino Arts and Culture

CAA College Art Association 2007-present Member Member Women's Caucus for the Arts

Member MALCS Mujeres Activas en Letras y Cambio Social 2004-present

NACCS National Association of Chicana & Chicano Studies 1999-present Member

Texas

2018 to present Member Women and Their Work, Austin, Texas 2018 to present Member Texas Association of Schools of Art

San Antonio

2023 Recipient Moody Lecturer Award, Our Lady of the Lake University

2020 to present **Board Member** San Anto Cultural Arts, San Antonio, Texas

P.E.A.C.E. Initiative, Putting an End to Abuse through Community Effort 2019 to present Chair, Advisory Board Recipient Hearst Research and Development Grant, Our Lady of the Lake University 2019 2017 Recipient Hearst I Research and Development Grant, Our Lady of the Lake University

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Flashman Foundation Grant, Our Lady of the Lake University At Home in the World Grant, Our Lady of the Lake University La Cosecha Seed Grant, Our Lady of the Lake University

Professional References

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