

CV RAFAEL BLANCO

Art Professor/Professional Artist

EDUCATION

- 2013 **MFA**, Drawing & Painting, University of Nevada, Reno NV
2004 **BA** cum laude, Studio Art, Saint Mary's College of California, Moraga CA

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2014-Present **Art Program Coordinator/Professor**, Feather River College, Quincy CA
2013-14 Adjunct Art Professor, University of Nevada, Reno NV
2012-14 Adjunct Art Professor, Truckee Meadows Community College, Reno NV
2012-14 Project Leader HandsON! Program, Nevada Museum of Art, Reno NV
2011-2013 Instructor of Record, University of Nevada, Reno NV

PUBLIC ART

- 2018 ***Western Pacific Mural***
Commission, 17'x 100', Old Town Portola, Portola CA

La Michoacana Mural
Commission, 16' x 66', Downtown, Lincoln CA

Welcome to Plumas County Mural
Commission, 16'X 8', Plumas County Fairgrounds, Quincy CA

2017 ***Plumas Arts Mural***
Commission, 35'x 50', Town Hall Theater, Quincy CA

Irma
Reno Mural Expo, 22'x 22', The Depot Brewery, Reno NV

No Parking
Lincoln Mural Competition (1st Place), 9'x 20', 5th Street, Lincoln CA

Snapshot
24 Hours Mural Marathon (2nd Place), 15'x 20' Circus Circus Casino, Reno NV

Railroading Away
Commission, 17'x 50', Live Oak CA

2016 ***Dancing Street***
24 Hours Mural Marathon (2nd Place), 15'x 20' Circus Circus Casino, Reno NV

Art Door
Commission, 11'x 11', Feather River College, Quincy CA

- 2016 **Flying**
Commission, 8'x 8', Quincy Elementary School, Quincy CA
- 2014 **The Jump!**
24 Hours Mural Marathon (2nd Place), 15' x 20' Circus Circus Casino, Reno NV
- We Are Reno**
Commission, 8'x 4', 8'x 2', 8'x 4', 8'x 2', Center Street, Reno NV

EXHIBITION RECORD

Selected Solo Exhibitions

- 2018 Plumas Art Gallery, Quincy CA
- 2015 Charleston Heights Art Center, Las Vegas, NV
Plumas County Museum, Quincy CA
- 2014 Western Nevada College, Carson NV
Plumas Art Gallery, Quincy CA
Sierra Arts Gallery, Reno NV
- 2013 Stremmel Gallery, Reno NV
- 2012 Capital City Arts Initiative, Carson NV
Bank of America Building, Reno NV
McNamara Gallery, Reno NV
Main Art Gallery, Truckee Meadows Community College, Reno NV
- 2011 Metro Gallery, Reno City Hall, Reno NV
- 2010 La Pena Cultural Center, Berkeley CA

Selected Group Exhibitions

- 2015 National All Media Juried Exhibition, Chico Art Center, Chico CA
- 2014 Painting in the World, Northern Arizona Univ. Art Museum, Flagstaff AZ
Haggin National Exhibition, The Haggin Museum, Stockton CA
Emergence 2014 International Artists to Watch, Myrtis Gallery, Baltimore MD
Shades of Gray, Abstract to Representation, Contemporary Art Center, Las Vegas NV
- 2014 For Whom It Stands TOO, Reginald F. Lewis Museum, Baltimore MD
- 2013 Grants to Artists Exhibition, Sierra Arts Gallery, Reno NV
- 2012 Truckee Meadows Community College Faculty Exhibition, Reno NV
Cross Section, MFA Group Exhibition, McNamara Gallery Reno NV
I Visual Art Blast, McKinley Cultural Center, Reno NV
- 2011 Lately, MFA Group Exhibition, McNamara Gallery Reno NV

AWARDS/GRANTS/FELLOWSHIPS

- 2017 *Certificate of Commendation*, United States Senator Catherine Cortez Maestro
Lincoln Mural Competition, Winner, Lincoln CA
2017 24h Mural Marathon Circus Circus Resort, 2nd Place, Reno NV
- 2016 2016 24h Mural Marathon Circus Circus Resort, 2nd Place, Reno NV

- 2015 *National All Media Juried Exhibition, 3rd Place, Chico Art Center, Chico CA*
- 2014 *Painting in the World, Winner, NAU Art Museum, Flagstaff AZ*
Sharon Elizondo Special Award, Haggin Museum, Stockton CA
2014 24h Mural Marathon Circus Circus Resort, 2nd Place, Reno NV
Professional Development Grant, Nevada Arts Council, Reno NV
- 2013 *Professional Artist Grant, Sierra Arts Gallery, Reno NV*
Outstanding International Graduate Student, University of Nevada, Reno NV
- 2012 *I Visual Art Blast, Winner, McKinley Cultural Center, Reno NV*
International Student Award, University of Nevada NV
Outstanding International Graduate Student, University of Nevada, Reno NV
- 2011 *Outstanding Artist Award, University of Nevada, Reno NV*

BIBLIOGRAPHY

- Steve Archer, *Mural Starts on Panaderia*, Lincoln News Messenger, Jun 7, 2018
- Roxanne Vallado, *Plumas Arts Celebrates*, Feather River Bulletin, May 21, 2018
- Lauren Westmoreland, *Muralists Picks up Steam*, Portola Reporter, April 15, 2018
- Lauren Westmoreland, *Muralist Begins Work*, Portola Reporter, Feb 28, 2018
- Nancy Wartik, *Go Ahead, Brag a Little*, New York Times, Feb 23, 2018
- Roxanne Vallado, *Plumas Arts Mural*, Feather River Bulletin, Jan 13th, 2018
- Mari Erin Roth, *Local Artist Takes Second Place*, Plumas Count News, July 31st, 2017
- Chris Kaufman, *Train Mura Takes Shape in Live Oak*, Appeal Democrat, July 7th, 2017
- Joseph Munoz, *The Common Good*, KQNY, Oct. 2016
- Mari Erin Roth, *Here Today Here Tomorrow*, KQNY, May 26, 2015
- James Wilson, *Art Teacher to Showcase Artworks Questioning the Use of the Flag*, Feather River Bulletin, Nov 5, 2014
- Prof. George Speer, *The Global Narrative on Canvas*, NAU Global, Fall 2014
- Joey Postiglione, *NAU's Newest Art Exhibit*, Jack Central, Sep. 19, 2014
- Rebecca Kitchen, *24 Hour Mural Marathon*, KoloTV, July 14, 2014
- Landon Miller, *Downtown Murals*, KTVN, July 14, 2014
- Jeremy Dunn, *The Work of Art: Artown*, KNPB, May 16, 2014
- Anne Hansen, *Works Portray a Cultural Journey*, Nevada Appeal, Feb.16, 2014
- Tyler Hersko, *The Need to Create*, Nevada Sagebrush, Jan.28, 2014
- Deborah Bohem, *The Universality of Daily Experience*, Capital City Arts, Aug.2012
- Brad Bynum, *Living in America*, Reno News&Reviews, Feb.23, 2012
- Geralda Miller, *Painting Over the Lines*, Reno Gazette Journal, Feb.12, 2012
- Montse Gonzalez, *Viviendo en 'el Norte'*, El Sol de Nevada, Feb.8, 2012

INSTRUCTED LECTURES & WORKSHOPS

- 2017 *Visual Literacy, Mini Corps Lecture, Feather River College, Quincy CA*
Visual Literacy, Visiting Artist Lecture, Quincy High School, Quincy CA
Visual Literacy, Visiting Artist Lecture, Portola High School, Portola CA
- 2015 *Visual Literacy, Professional Development, Feather River College, Quincy CA*
- 2014 *Rite of Passage, Visiting Artist Lecture, Western Nevada College, Carson NV*
- 2013 *Framing Identity, MFA Thesis Lecture, University of Nevada, Reno NV*

- 2013 *Learning How to 'See',* Lecturer, Professional Development, Truckee Meadows Community College, Reno NV
Learning How to 'See', Lecturer, TMCC Classified Symposium, Truckee Meadows Community College, Reno NV
- 2012 *Learning How to 'See',* Lecturer, Nevada Community College Conference, College of Southern Nevada, Las Vegas NV
Painting Timelessness, Lecturer, CLAGS Graduate Symposium, University of Nevada, Reno NV
Painting Identity, Lecturer, Mixed Blessing Symposium, Truckee Meadows Community College, Reno NV

PERMANENT & PRIVATE COLLECTIONS

Northern Arizona University Art Museum, Permanent Collection, Flagstaff AZ
Pyramid Lake Museum, Permanent Collection, Nixon NV
Truckee Meadows Community College, Permanent Collection, Reno NV
University of Nevada, Reno, Permanent Collection, Reno NV
Western Nevada College, Permanent Collection, Carson NV
City of Reno, Permanent Art Collection, Reno NV
Nunez Family, Private Collection, Madrid, Spain
Crowley Family, Private Collection, Reno NV
La Pena Cultural Center, Permanent Collection, Berkeley CA
Duggan Family, Private Collection, Oakland CA
Alipaz Family, Private Collection, Lafayette CA
Christner Family, Private Collection, Stuttgart, Germany
Gouldby Family, Oxford, England

UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE COURSES TAUGHT

Art Appreciation
Visual Foundations
2-Dimensional Art
Drawing I & II
Life Drawing I & II
Painting I, II, Intermediate & Advance
Color Theory
Art History