# Renzo Ortega

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## **Education:**

2014 MFA Hunter College CUNY.

2000/04 Painting, Mix media and Composition, Art Students League of New York, NYC.

2000 BFA Escuela Nacional Superior Autónoma de Bellas Artes, Lima, Perú.

# **Solo Exhibitions and Selected Projects**

- 2020 *Amor de Lejos*, Espacio Venancio Shinki at ICPNA Instituto Cultural Peruano Norteamericano. Lima, Perú.
- 2019 When Its Time to Leave, Vox Populi Gallery. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

  What I left and What I Brought, Power Plant Gallery at Duke. Durham, North Carolina.
- 2018 Beyond the Stars, The Nicholson Gallery at The ArtsCenter. Carrboro, North Carolina. Selected Paintings, John and June Ellcott Gallery at UNC Chapel Hill. North Carolina.
- 2017 Two Artists One Space, Bi-Personal exhibition with Antoine Williams, GreenHill Center for NC Arts. Greensboro, North Carolina.
  - Journey to Infinity, Flushing Town Hall Gallery. Queens, New York.
- 2015 El Mar, el viaje y otras tragedias, Galería Fundación Euroidiomas. Lima, Perú.
- 2013 Pinturas Negras (Pop-Up show), Terror Gallery. Lima, Perú.
  Ship me to Mexico (Pop-Up show), Reverse Art Space. Brooklyn, New York.
- 2011 Contrabando (Pop-Up show, )M55 Art Gallery. Long Island City, New York.
- 2010 Spaces (Pop-Up show), 1 Vernon Jackson Space. Long Island City, New York.
- 2009 The Gathering Storm, Repetti Gallery at Vox Populi Gallery. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- 2006 MASS Production. Repetti Gallery. Long Island City, New York.
- 2003 *Paintings-paintings*. Local Project. Long Island City, New York.
- 2001 Join Us, Installation Charas Community Center. Lower East Side, New York.

- 1997 Con Fe, San Marcos University Gallery. Lima, Perú.
- 1996 Pie de Limon, ICPNA Instituto Cultural Peruano Norteamericano. Lima, Perú.
- 1995 Yo? Plástico, San Marcos University Gallery. Lima, Perú.

## **Museum Exhibitions and Biennials**

- 2020 *Escapes and Revelations*, SECCA Southeastern Center for Contemporary Art. Winston Salem, North Carolina.
- 2019 V International Watercolor Biennial, Caudete, Spain.
- 2017 Art on Paper 2017 Biennial, Weatherspoon Art Museum. Greensboro, North Carolina.
- 2015 New Work New York, 1st Biennial Survey of work by NYC MFA recent graduates.
  Curated by Kat Griefen. Pop-Up Saint Nicks. Brooklyn, New York.
- 2007 S-Files Biennial, El Museo del Barrio. New York, New York.
- 2006 Queens International Biennial, Queens Museum of Art. Flushing Meadows, New York.
- 2000 Expresionismo en Perú, Museo de Arte de San Marcos. Lima, Perú.
- 1998 Bienal de Lima, Salón Regional. Lima, Perú.

# **Selected Group Exhibitions**

- 2019 Dirty South, ArtSpace. Raleigh, North Carolina.
- 2018 I Concurso de Arte Contemporáneo, Juan Pardo Heeren gallery at ICPNA Instituto Cultural Peruano Norteamericano. Lima, Perú.
  Il Concurso de Dibujo Dos Generaciones, John Harriman Gallery at the Instituto Cultural Peruano Británico. Lima, Perú.
- 2017 Mezcla, The Carrack Modern Art. Durham, North Carolina.
- 2016 En la Cresta de la Ola, Surf Art. Galería delBarrio. Lima, Perú
  We Still Imagine, make and read books, SPACE 776. Brooklyn, New York.
  Stamp-Manifest, Gowanus Print Lab. Brooklyn, New York.
- 2015 Terremoto, Galería delBarrio. Lima, Perú.
  Shangri-La in L.I.C., Long Island City Arts Festival at The Factory. Queens, New York.
  Lima Lands of Terror, 17FROST Art Space/Terror Gallery. Brooklyn, New York.
- 2014 Hunter College MFA Thesis Exhibition, 205 Hudson Gallery. New York, New York.

The Basel Break off, Kill Your Idol Art Space. Miami Beach, Florida.

If These Walls Could Talk, Local Project at ABC no Rio. Lower East Side, New York.

Art Not Without , Amos Eno Gallery. Brooklyn, New York.

- 2013 Save Fail, ABC no Rio in Exile at Bullet Art Space. Lower East Side, New York.
  Performeando, Grace Performance Space. Brooklyn, New York.
  Sell Out, Performances at No Longer Empty. Long Island City, New York.
- 2012 Desplazamientos, Galeria Conejo. Santiago, Chile.
  Tonight. (VIE), Lust Gallery. Vienna, Austria.
  Latin Labor Day Art Fest, White Box Gallery. New York, New York.
  The Trip, Autonomous Art Show, Bushwick Open Studios. Brooklyn, New York.
- 2011 Envio/Shipping (Works on Paper), Terminal 1 Art Space. Santiago, Chile.
  Enfrentamientos (Video Art Exhibition), Espacio G at Ateliê 397. São Paulo, Brasil.
  Surrounded, ONE Art Space. Tribeca, New York.
  Fashion Is For Ugly People, Illuminated Metropolis Gallery. Chelsea, New York.
- Autosemblematic, Local Project. Long Island City, New York.
  Babel, Space 37, Queens Media Arts Development. Jackson Heights, New York.
  33 Open Doors, Newark Council On the Arts. Newark, New Jersey.
  The Last Day On Earth, Viiideo Gallery. Brooklyn, New York.

2010 Alternative Histories, EXIT Art. New York, New York.

- 2009 Portraits as an intimate connection, Local Project. Long Island City, New York.
- 2008 Latino Art Collectives in a Post Movement Millennium, NYU. New York, New York.

  The Place in Place of the Place, Spanic Attack Art Collective. Bronx, New York.
- 2007 MISC Video & Performance, New York Studio Gallery. Chelsea, New York.
- 2004 Post Plátano, Longwood Art Gallery, Hostos Community College. Bronx, New York.
- 1999 El Ultimo Lustro, Centro de Artes Visuales de la Municipalidad de Lima. Lima, Perú.

#### **Awards and Residencies**

2020 Artist-in-Residence Program, New Wave Art Wknd. West palm Beach, Florida.

2019 Visiting Artist, Rubenstein Arts Center at Duke University. North Carolina.

2018/19 North Carolina Arts Council Artist Fellowship. North Carolina.

- Ella Fountain Pratt Emerging Artists Grant, Durham Arts Council. North Carolina.
- 2018 Artist Project Grant, Orange County Arts Commission. North Carolina.
- 2017 Artist Project Grant, Orange County Arts Commission. North Carolina.
  - *Emergency Grant*, Foundation for Contemporary Arts. New York.
  - Artist in Residency at SpreadArt. Detroit.
- 2016 *Cultural Envoy Program*, US Department of Cultural Affairs. *New Work Grant*, Queens Council on the Arts. New York.
- 2013 Kossak Travel Grant, Hunter College MFA. New York.

# **Curatorial Projects**

- 2017-19 *Juror* of the Emerging Curators Program at Local Project. Queens, New York.
- 2016 Juror of the 25th Painting Biennial. Tegucigalpa, Honduras.
- 2015 Deep Breath (Printmaking Exhibition), Local Project. Queens, New York.
- 2013 *The Wall* (Mural Program) at Local Project. Queens, New York.
  - The Impossible Project Art Talks, Reverse Art Space. Brooklyn, New York.
- 2012 The Impossible Project Art Talks, Reverse Art Space. Brooklyn, New York.
  - Latin Labor Day Art Fest, White Box Gallery. New York, New York.
- 2011 InQbate, Sound Art Residency, Queens Museum of Art. Flushing Meadows, New York.
- 2010 Elektra KB / Bang Geul Han, Local Project. Queens, New York.
- 2009 Queens Sky, Queens Art Express, Local Project. Queens, New York.
  - Portraits, Armory Arts Week, Local Project. Queens, New York.
- 2006 Urban Logbooks, Local Project. Queens, New York.
- 2005 Black, Local Project. Queens, New York.

## **Reviews and Citations**

- 2020 Sandra Schulman, *Artist Renzo Ortega paints the immigrant experience*. WPB Magazine. July 8th 2020.
- 2019 Anny Shaw, *Piercing the art world bubble in Palm Beach, One gallerist aims to challenge injustices facing immigrant artists*. Financial Times. November 28th 2019.

- 2019 Samuel Bossini, *Renzo Ortega: El gusto siempre tiene algo de banal. L*a Santa Crítica. November 14th 2019.
- 2018 Olivia Clark, Renzo Ortega's art brings influences from Peru to Chapel Hill. The Daily Tar Heel. January 18th 2018.
- 2017 Lauren Barber, *Artist Renzo Ortega rebuffs immigrant stereotypes*. Triad City Beat. October 19th 2017.
  - Tom Patterson, Minority profiles: Artists address concerns of international refugees and young black Americans in duo show at GreenHill. Winston-Salem Journal. October 9th 2017.
- 2016 Benjamin Fang. *Local artists unveil mural installation at Elmcor.* The Long Island City Journal. April 8th 2016.
- 2015 Mijail Palacios Yábar, *El mar, el viaje y otras tragedias: La exposición que reflexiona sobre la inmigración.* Perú21 December 16th 2015. Lima, Perú.
- 2014 Tessa Stuart, *The Queens Graffiti Mecca 5 Pointz Was Never Just About The Painting on the Outside*. The Village Voice July 15th 2014.
- 2013 Carmen Escobar, *La Calle Es Su Lugar.* Diario El Comercio / Revista Somos, July 20th 2013. Lima, Perú.
- 2011 Rebecca Herrero, *Renzo Ortega Joven Artísta Multifacético*. El DIARIO La Prensa New York. January 9th 2011
- 2009 Sandra Pompa, *No Músico, No Pintor, No Cineasta; Simplemente Artísta. I*ndie Rocks Magazine #24. Mexico.
- 2006 Marta Schwendener. *Art From Everywhere, All from Queens.* The New York Times, December 15th 2016.
  - Jennifer Manley. 'Mass Production' Puts Protests on View. The Queens Chronicle, J une 8th 2006. Jennifer Manley. *Artists Still Filling Void Left By 9/11 Tragedy.* The Queens Chronicle, September 7th 2006.
  - Sarah Garland, *A Home for a Group of Artists in Search of a Family.* The New York Times, August 19th 2006.