CHEECH MARIN PRESENTS



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Cheech Marin Presents The Chicano Collection / La Colección Chicana Fine Art Prints by Modern Multiples Exhibition at Downtown Center for the Arts in Oxnard, CA Nov. 19, 2006 through Jan. 21, 2007

Digital reproductions (*gicleés*) of paintings by 26 prominent Chicano artists depicting urban life and the Chicano experience between 1969 and 2001 will be on view. The prints are primarily from actor and art collector Cheech Marin's renowned collection and include works by Carlos Almaraz, Frank Romero, Patssi Valdez, George Yepes, Rupert García, Leo Limón, Margaret García and Eloy Torrez. Most of the 26 artists are from Los Angeles.

The exhibition also includes original linocut-print portraits of the featured artists by Artemio Rodriguez. It is part of a project spearheaded by Marin that created limited-edition portfolios of the prints with plans to donate them to 50 major U.S. art museums and universities. The project is designed to advance Chicano art as a recognized school of American art and increase public accessibility to this work in cities nationwide. A DVD documentary about the project accompanies the portfolios and the exhibition.

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Free admission. Suggested donation of \$3 per adult and \$1 per child. Hours of operation are Wednesday through Friday from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday 12 noon to 6 p.m. For more information about the exhibition, call (805) 486-5080.

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