

JUSTIN FAVELA

Lives and works in Las Vegas, NV.

EDUCATION

2010 University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Las Vegas, NV, BFA

SELECTED SOLO/TWO-PERSON EXHIBITIONS

2016 *Patrimonio*, City Hall Grand Gallery, Las Vegas, NV
2016 *Big Load*, with Mikayla Whitmore, Southwestern Michigan College, Dowagiac, MI
2016 *Mi Casa es Mi Casa*, OXS Gallery, Carson City, NV
2015 *Chop Shop*, Alios Inc., Las Vegas, NV
2015 *Car Show*, with Sean Slattery, Clark County Government Center, Las Vegas, NV
2014 *Mark Twain's Suicide Table Blood Bucket Ghost Bonanza Amen*,
St. Mary's Art Center, Virginia City, NV
2013 *The Mini Market: Grand Opening*, El Porvenir, North Las Vegas, NV
2012 *Justin Favela: "Newer Paintings"*, Gamma Gamma Gallery, Las Vegas, NV
2011 *CountyCenter*, Clark County Government Center, Las Vegas, NV

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2017 *Shonky: the Aesthetics of Awkwardness*, traveling exhibition, United Kingdom
2017 *Mi Tierra: Contemporary Artists Explore Place*, Denver Art Museum, Denver, CO
2017 *Smoldering: a Project by Museum Blue*, Des Lee Gallery, St. Louis, MO
2016 *Tilting the Basin: Contemporary Art of Nevada*, Nevada Museum of Art, Reno, NV
2016 *Con Cariño*, New Mexico Museum of Art, Santa Fe, NM
2016 *NorthEast*, Left of Center Gallery, North Las Vegas, NV
2016 *Taste*, Contemporary Arts Center, Las Vegas, NV
2015 *Recent Acquisitions*, Marjorie Barrick Museum, Las Vegas, NV
2015 *Basin and Range*, Donna Beam Fine Art Gallery, Las Vegas, NV
2015 *Transient Landscapes*, Nevada Humanities, Las Vegas, NV
2015 *Roll*, BLVDS Gallery, Las Vegas, NV
2014 *State of the Art: Discovering American Art Now*,
Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art, Bentonville, AR
2014 MAS Attack 6, Torrance Art Museum, Torrance, CA
2014 *Comedians and Magicians*, Trifecta Gallery, Las Vegas, NV
2014 *Of Love and Longing*, Maxine's Tap Room, Fayetteville, AR
2013 *Greetings from Las Vegas*, Gateway Motel, Las Vegas, NV
2013 *Indelicate*, (curated by JW Caldwell) Contemporary Arts Center, Las Vegas, NV
2013 *Space//Time//Engagement*, Fifth Wall, Las Vegas, NV
2013 *Celebration*, City Hall Gallery, Las Vegas, NV
2012 *Off the Strip*, Contemporary Arts Center, Las Vegas, NV
2012 *TOTE*, (collaboration with Thomas Willis) Southwest Michigan College, Niles, MI
2012 *Anniversary Show!*, Kleven Contemporary, Las Vegas, NV

2011 *MEATumental*, Trifecta Gallery, Las Vegas, NV
 2011 *Radiant City*, CCAI Courthouse Gallery, Carson City, NV
 2010 *Kith*, SNC/FA Tahoe Gallery, Incline Village, NV
 2010 *Bachelor of Fine Arts 2010 Exhibition*, UNLV, Las Vegas, NV
 2010 *Tomorrowpeople*, Contemporary Arts Center, Las Vegas, NV
 2010 *National Invitational Postcard Exhibit*, traveling exhibition, USA
 2009 *minUMENTAL*, Trifecta Gallery, Las Vegas, NV
 2009 *Inscribed/Messages*, Clark County Rotunda Gallery, Las Vegas, NV
 2009 *Skin and Other Stories*, Vagus Nerve Gallery, Las Vegas, NV
 2009 *Camping*, (organized by Stephen Hendee) Grant Hall Gallery, Las Vegas, NV
 2009 *The Drawing Room*, (curated by Fay Ku), Fallout Gallery, Las Vegas, NV
 2009 *20th Annual Juried Show*, Contemporary Arts Center, Las Vegas, NV
 2008 *Never Damage*, Vagus Nerve Gallery, Las Vegas, NV
 2008 *The Organ of Emotion*, The Arts Factory, Las Vegas, NV
 2008 *19th Annual Juried Art Exhibition*, Contemporary Arts Collective, Las Vegas, NV
 2008 *Water Smart Art Exhibition*, Springs Preserve, Las Vegas, NV
 2007 *One Night Stand*, Palms Hotel and Casino, Las Vegas, NV

CURATORIAL PROJECTS

2015 *Rafael Espino: El Internacional*, Rhizome Gallery, Las Vegas, NV
 2013 *Greetings From Las Vegas*, Gateway Motel, Las Vegas, NV
 2011 *Justin Favela: "New Paintings"*, Kleven Contemporary Las Vegas, NV
 2008 *Take Note*, Marjorie Barrick Museum, Las Vegas, NV
 2008 *Nerve Damage*, Vagus Nerve Gallery, Las Vegas, NV
 2008 *Weights and Measures*, The Arts Factory, Las Vegas, NV

APPRENTICESHIPS AND COLLABORATIONS

2015 *Colby Does America*, installation and performance with artist Colby Keller, Las Vegas, NV
 2014 *Special Western Special Special*, sculpture with artist Jesse Smigel, Life is Beautiful Festival, Las Vegas, NV
 2013 *GULCH*, Battle Born collective with artists Jennifer Kleven, Mikayla Whitmore and Krystal Ramirez
 2012 *Paper Tiger*, Collaborative sculpture with artist Shannon Eakins, *The Mini Market*, Las Vegas, NV
 2011 *Too Soon*, Art installation with artist Sam Reza, Mundo, Las Vegas
 2010 *David Ryan* - artist (studio assistant), Las Vegas, NV
 2008 *Aaron Sheppard*- artist (curated performances for 'Midway'), CAC, Las Vegas, NV
 2007 *Wendy Kveck*- artist (studio assistant), Las Vegas, NV

SPECIAL PROJECTS

2016 *Latinos Who Lunch*, a podcast with FavyFav and Babelito. Join them as they engage in conversation about everything from pop culture to art and identity politics.
 2016 *Family Fiesta: Nevada Museum of Art*,
 2015 *Family Fiesta: Double Negative*, Moapa Valley, NV
 2014 *Family Fiesta: Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art*, Bentonville, AR
 2014 *PURO JALE*, Las Vegas Backyard Wall, Las Vegas, NV

- 2014 *TIME CAPSULE 2014*, contributor to project by Ash Ferlito. Marjorie Barrick Museum, Las Vegas, NV
- 2013 *Loft*, Alios Gallery, Las Vegas, NV
- 2011 Las Vegas Weekly cover design. Nov 4
- 2008 *NIACA*, Nevada Institute for the Advancement of Contemporary Art, Admissions Chair, Las Vegas, NV
- 2007 *Lustre Flux*, Co-host and collaborator of monthly variety show, Thunderbird Lounge, Las Vegas, NV

RELATED WORK EXPERIENCE

- 2016 Curator, Clark County Parks and Recreation, Las Vegas, NV
- 2016 Social Media Manager, settlersandnomads.com, Las Vegas, NV
- 2016 Advisory Board Member, Capital City Arts Initiative, Carson City, NV
- 2014 Exhibitions Manager, The Liberace Foundation, Las Vegas, NV
- 2013 Programs Administrator (from 2007), The Neon Museum, Las Vegas, NV
- 2010 Board Member, Vagus Nerve Art and Literary Journal, UNLV
- 2010 Visual Arts Instructor, City of Las Vegas Theater and Arts Camp, Las Vegas, NV
- 2009 Friends of Winchester Public Art Committee, Member, Las Vegas, NV
- 2008 Curatorial Committee Member, Vagus Nerve Gallery, Las Vegas, NV
- 2008 Editor in Chief/Publications Director, Vagus Nerve Art and Literary Journal, UNLV
- 2007 Fine Arts Senator, Consolidated Students of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas
- 2007 Assistant Editor, Vagus Nerve Art and Literary Journal, Las Vegas, NV

AWARDS/RESIDENCIES

- 2016 Juhl, Artist in Residence, Las Vegas, NV
- 2016 Resident Artist, New Mexico Museum of Art, Santa Fe, NM
- 2016 Brush Lake Residency Program, Eu Claire, MI
- 2016 TEAMVVORK artist in residence, Las Vegas, NV
- 2016 Nevada Arts Council Artist Fellowship Grant Recipient
- 2015 *Arquetopia*, Puebla, Mexico
- 2015 *Chop Shop*, Alios, Las Vegas, NV
- 2014 P3 studio, Cosmopolitan of Las Vegas, NV
- 2014 St. Mary's Art Center, Virginia, City, NV
- 2011 Citizen of the Month, October, City of Las Vegas, NV
- 2010 DeVos Fine Art Scholarship
- 2009 Arts Bridge of America Scholarship

WORKSHOPS/LECTURES

- 2016 PCCLAS Conference, Keynote Speaker, UNLV, Las Vegas, NV
- 2016 Hispanic Identities, Southern Utah University, Cedar City, UT
- 2016 Barrick Talks, Marjorie Barrick Museum, Las Vegas, NV
- 2016 Alt. Lecture KC, University of Missouri, Kansas City, MO
- 2015 Flora and Fauna sculpture workshop, The Writer's Block, Las Vegas, NV
- 2014 Paper Workshop, Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art, Bentonville, AR

2014 We Might Should Could, Capital City Arts Initiative, Carson City, NV
 2013 Sculpture Workshop with GULCH, ActionRed, Las Vegas, NV
 2013 First Friday, WorkInProgress, Las Vegas, NV
 2010 Kith, Sierra Nevada College, Incline Village, NV

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