# RAUL MOARQUECH FERRERA-BALANQUET

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#### **PROFILE**

Interdisciplinary artist, writer, researcher, educator, program director, curator, and Fulbright scholar committed to exploring and supporting the dynamic interplay between culture and artistic expression, and to amplifying diverse artistic voices. Qualifications include PhD in Romance Studies and an MFA in Intermedia Arts, technological and audiovisual literacy, bilingual communication skills in English and Spanish, and intermediate level in Yucatec Maya.

## LEADERSHIP COMPETENCIES

| Collaborative Relationships | Organizational Leadership       | Research Projects        |
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| Strategic Team Leadership   | Supervision, Management         | Critical Publications    |
| Creative Vision             | Diversity Issues                | Conference Participation |
| Community Partnerships      | Strategic Administration        | Marketing, Promotion     |
| Academic Coordination       | Ongoing Training                | Resource Development,    |
| Curriculum Development      | Developing Artistic Initiatives | Fundraising, Budgeting   |

#### SELECTED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- **2022 Co-Executive Director**, Howard University Gallery of Art, Chadwick A. Boseman College of Fine Arts, Howard University, Washington DC.
  - Direct and manage the Gallery's activities including schedules for exhibiting the collection as well as approval of incoming/outgoing temporary exhibitions.
  - Establish collection policies for the overarching Gallery of Art's mission and vision as it pertains to managing and preserving the collection as well as provisions and regulation for exhibiting.
  - Serve as chief (co)curators, overseeing curatorial research, educational programming, and exhibition planning and scheduling.
  - Acts as a fiduciary, responsible for devising and/or adhering to a strategic plan for realizing
    mission and goals of the College and University as an historic cultural and educational
    institution for excellence.
- **2021** Curator/Workshop Facilitator, Africana Hemispheric Performance, Actions, Socially Public Participations, Rituals, and Ceremonies, Center for Afrofuturist Studies, Public Space One, Iowa City, Iowa.
  - Organize a curatorial project connecting African Diaspora artists establishing connections between performance, poetry, drawing, body painting, experimental sound, installation, and participatory action.
  - Developed and facilitated workshops dealing with 1) African performance arts, and 2) Researching and writing subjective ethnographic performance in the form of an interdisciplinary laboratory where diverse Africana and Latinx communities from conferences, workshops and presentation of live performance.
- **2021 Grant Reviewer Panelist**, FY22 Grants for Arts Projects 2 Visual Arts Panel, National Endowment for the Arts, Washington DC.
  - Review grant applications based on artistic excellence and artistic merit.
  - Attend online review check-in meetings.
  - Attend Orientation Training Workshop.

- Recommend artistic projects for funding.
- **2021 Grant Reviewer Panelist,** Arts and Cultural Organizations General Operating Relief, California Arts Council, Sacramento, California.
  - Review grant applications online.
  - Attend online review check-in meetings
  - Attend Orientation Training Workshop.
- **2019 Independent Researcher** (2018-2019), Fondo Nacional para la Cultura y las Artes (FONCA), Mexico.
  - Research cultural and critical production in the Greater Mexico (1987 to 2017).
  - Present 7 lectures/conferences about the research in Mexico and California during 2018.
  - Developed and Published a 250 pages publication.
- **2019** Co-Curator, Constallations Éek'o'ob Jo', El Caimito Gallery, Merida, Yucatan, Mexico.
  - Brought together international artists from the Center for Arts, Design, and Social Research (CAD+SR)'s Merida residency working on various mediums under the idea of "conceptual creative practices."
  - Oversaw design of curatorial, performance and academic programs, all including national and international artists, critics and curators.
- **2019 Faculty Fellow/Planning and Marketing,** Center for Arts, Design, and Social Research (CAD+SR), Boston, Massachusetts, United States.
  - Provided artistic vision, critical thinking, and strategic leadership for diverse international residency participants in the areas of Indigenous Knowledge and Socially Engaged Art for International Residency in Merida, Mexico.
  - Developed strategic community partnerships, creating a cycle of conferences with invited local, national and international artists, curators, critics and arts organizations.
  - Co-curate international exhibition including local, national and international artists.
- **2018 Independent Researcher** (2018-2019), Fondo Nacional para la Cultura y las Artes (FONCA), Mexico.
- **2014** Executive Director and Curator /Academic Director (2000-2014), *Arte Nuevo InteractivA*, Biennial and Interdisciplinary Experimental Laboratory, Merida, Yucatan, Mexico
  - Directed biennial project involving the Museum of the City of Merida, Museo Áak, Galeria Peon Contreras, Centro Cultural Olimpo, Galeria Casa Colon, and Museum of Contemporary Arts (MCAY).
  - Interfaced with Board and negotiated project themes, list of artists invited to participate, administration and evaluation, and liaison between Board and biennial production team.
  - Oversaw design of curatorial, conference and academic programs, all including regional, national and international artists, critics and curators. Managed design and publication of printed catalog and website, start to finish.
  - Developed marketing strategy that placed the project at an international level, including UNESCO Portal and Whitney Museum's ArtPortal Net Exhibitions.
  - Designed biannual budgets and managed resources, as well as developed grant writing strategies at the local, national and international level including the Cultural Office of the City of Merida, the Spanish Society of Foreign Cultural Action (SEACEX) and the Amsterdam based Prince Claus Foundation.
  - Managed human resources, supervising and collaborating with artists, curators, critics, graphics designers, electrical engineers, programmers, museographers, interns and museum staff.

- Developed an academic program in the form of an interdisciplinary laboratory where diverse communities, youths, senior high schools and university arts departments benefited from conferences, workshops and presentation in their own location.
- **2014 Co-Curator,** *Indigeneity* | *Decoloniality* | @rt, Jameson Gallery, Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, USA.
  - Brought together artists from across the Americas working on various mediums under "decolonial creative practices."
  - Developed a workshop to explore inter-relations between indigeneity, decoloniality, and @art in their dependence, independence, and inter-dependence.
- **2008** Curator. *Traslocalidades en Movimiento*, video art, Centro Cultural de España en El Salvador, San Salvador, El Salvador.
- **2004 Guest Curator.** [R]-[R]-[F] Festival, JavaMuseum: Forum for Internet Technologies in Contemporary Art, Cologne, Germany.
- **2002** Curator. *Interactive Arts Festival.01*, Kwan Fong Gallery, California Lutheran University, Thousand Oaks, California, USA.
- **Translator.** Codigo de Etica para Museos, American Association of Museums, Washington DC, USA.
- **1995 Editor**. *Pochonovela*, Directed and Produced by Coco Fusco, Cabrona Soy Productions, Los Angeles-New York, USA.
- **1999** Curator. *Transmigrant Fibers: Latino and Latinamerican Artists in the Internet*, Museum of the City of Queretaro and ITESSM, Mexico.
- **1994** Curator. *Huellas de un Corazón Sangrante en Tropicana*, MIX-Brasil, Museum of Sound and Image, Sao Paulo, Brazil.
- **1994** Curator, "Representation" Video Program #8, 10<sup>th</sup> Chicago Latino Film Festival, Chicago, Illinois, USA.
- **1993** Curator. *Nomadas: Plural Identities in Traveling Territories*, Randolph Street Gallery, Chicago, Illinois, USA.
- 1993 Producer / Program Coordinator / Director (1991-1993), Deep Dish TV Network, New York City, USA.
  - Developed budgets, oversee design, marketing, promotion, delivery quality of programs and services with media producers from Latin America, Brazil and the Caribbean.
  - Developed and maintained broad relationships with international arts and community organizations.
- **1992** Curator. Videos That Unmask, Test and Invade the Colonial System, Program I, Video In, Vancouver B.C., Canada.
- **1992** Co-Curator. La Ruptura Latina: An exhibition of North American Latino Video Art, Name Gallery, Chicago. Illinois, USA.
- **1991 Director.** The Case of Kansa City, Series Spigot for Bigots, Deep Dish TV, New York.
- **1986 Festival Director.** *New Latin American Cinema in Iowa II*, an international film festival and conference, The University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa, USA.

## SELECTED CITED WORKS / CURATORIAL

- **2020** Egea, Eduardo. Lo local y lo digital, Opinión, *Crónica.Com.MX*, CDMX; Mexico.
- **2019** Sierra Medina, Claudia Ivonne. **Dispuestos a Experimentar**, *Diario de Yucatán*, January 12, Merida, Yucatan, Mexico.
- **2018** Almela, Ramón. "Memorias Relacionales" Del Éxodo Latino, Revista Criticarte, Puebla, Mexico.
- 2014 Chávez, Daniel B. Decolonial Aesthesis: Arte Nuevo InteractivA and A New Generation of Decolonial Thinkers, Makers, and Doers, *E-Misférica*, Vol. 11. No. 1, New York, USA.

- 2013 Cippitelli, Lucrezia, Eurocentrismo y sistema de arte internacional, 42 Salón Nacional de Artistas Catalog, Ministerio de Cultura, Bogota DC, Colombia.
- 2010 Smith, Royce W. A Crisis of Super-Sized Proportions (or Why the Next Great Art Biennial Should Not Be Curated by an Uber-Platinum Frequent Player), X-TRA Vol. 13, No 1, Los Angeles, California, USA.
- 2005 Cippitelli, Lucrezia. **Dentità e futuro post-tecnologico alla Biennale Interactiva 05**, *Lux Fluz Magazine*, Rome, Italy.
- 2005 Navas, Eduardo. The biennale InteractivA 05, Latin Art, Online Journal of Art and Culture, Los Angeles, California, USA.
- 2005 Mayer, Mónica. Arte Nuevo InteractivA'05, Cultura, El Universal, July 1, México DF.
- **2005** Garma, Patricia, **Mérida, a la vanguardia artística,** Seccion Cultura, *Diario de Yucatan*, June 20, Merida, Yucatan, Mexico.
- 2005 Nieto, Ignacio. Raúl Ferrera-Balanquet, Organizer and Director of InteractivA, *Net Art Review*. www.netartreview.net/monthly/0305.2.html
- 2003 Figueroa, Heidi. Lo Politico de InteractivA'03, Teknokultura, Vol. 3, San Juan, Puerto Rico.
- Garcia-Fenech Giovanni. Interactiva '01" Brings Digital Art To Mexico, *Artforum Digital*, https://www.artforum.com/news/interactiva-01-brings-digital-art-to-mexico-96.

#### SELECTED EDUCATION

- **2016 Ph. D.** Romance Studies Department, US Latinx, Latin American and Caribbean Cultural Studies, Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, USA.
- **2016 Graduate Certificate in Latin American and Caribbean Studies,** Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, USA.
- **2014 M. A.,** Romance Studies Department, US Latinx, Latin American and Caribbean Cultural Studies, Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, USA.
- **Yucatec Maya Summer Institute** (2013-2014), UNC-Chapel Hill and Duke University, Merida-Valladolid-Xocen, Yucatan, Mexico.
- **1992** M.F.A. Intermedia Arts, Emphasis on Painting, Drawing, Graphic Design, Installation Art, Multimedia, Video, Art History, and Film Studies and Production, School of Art and Art History, The University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa, USA.
- **1990** M.A. Intermedia Arts, Emphasis on Painting, Drawing, Graphic Design, Installation Art, Multimedia, Video, Art History, and Film Studies and Production, School of Art and Art History, The University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa, USA.
- **1987 B.G.S.** Communication Studies and Film Production, School of Communication, The University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa, USA.

#### SELECTED EDUCATION/ POST GRADUATE-FELLOWSHIPS

- **Memorias Vivas. Archivos y museos comunitarios**. Post Graduate Seminar IberCultura Viva and CLACSO, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil-Bueno Aries, Argentina.
- **DEAR (Digital Evolution/Artist Retention) Fellowship,** Caribbean Cultural Center African Diaspora Institute, New York, USA.
- 2003 Seminar Literature and Literary Criticism, IECY, Merida, Yucatan, Mexico.
- **2000 Alchemy Fellowship,** Australian Network of Art and Technology, Powerhouse Art Center, Brisbane, Australia.
- **Above The Line Fellowship,** Web Design and Internet Development, Bay Area Video Coalition, San Francisco, California, USA

## SELECTED ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

- **2021** Workshop Facilitator, Center for Afrofuturist Studies, Public Space One, Iowa City, Iowa.
- **2020** Adjunct Professor, ENES-UNAM, Merida, Yucatan, Mexico.

- **2019 Faculty Fellow,** Center for Arts, Design, and Social Research (CAD+SR), Boston, Massachusetts, United States and Merida, Yucatán, Mexico.
- **2017 Artist in Residency,** Universidad Pedagogica Nacional, Bogota, Colombia.
- 2016 Artist Teacher (2013-2016), Vermont College of Fine Arts, Montpelier, Vermont, USA.
- **2014 Visiting Professor,** Universidad Andina Simón Bolívar, Quito, Ecuador.
- **2011 Professor,** Visual Arts Department, Superior School of the Arts of Yucatan (ESAY), Merida, Mexico.
- 1998 Fulbright Scholar, University APEC, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.
- **1997 Academic Instructor.** Youth First/Líderes Jovenes, City of Berkeley Domestic Violence Partnership, Berkeley, California.
- 1996 Assistant Professor Film and Video Department, Columbia College, Chicago, USA.

#### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- **Navigating Africana Mexican Diaspora Territories: Elizabeth Catlett and Sergio Sánchez Santamaría**, *Graphic in Transit: Sergio Sánchez Santamaría*, Miguel Rojas-Sotelo and Rafael Osuba, eds., ASP Book publishing, Durham, North Carolina, USA.
- **2019** *Aestesis Decolonial Transmoderna Latinx\_MX*, Fondo Nacional para la Cultura y las Artes (FONCA)- Instituto Kanankil A.C., CDMX-Merida, Mexico.
- **2018 Imaginarios y Estrategias Decoloniales,** *Estudios Artísticos: revista de investigación creadora,* No. 4, January-June, Bogota, Colombia.
- 2018 Narrating Our Histories: Selections from a dialogue among Queer Media Artists
  From the African Diaspora, Ferrera-Balanquet, R. and Harris, Thomas A., Sisters in the
  Life: A History of African American Lesbian Media-Making, Yvonne Welbon and
  Alexandra Juhasz, editors, Duke University Press, Durham, North Carolina, USA.
- 2015 Andar Erotico Decolonial, Raul Moarquech Ferrera-Balanquet, ed., Ediciones del Signo, Buenos Aires, Argentina.
- **2014** Aiesthesis Descolonial Transmoderna, *Practicas Artisticas e Imaginarios Sociales: X Bienal de La Habana*, Montes de Oca Moreda, D., Fernandez Torres, Lopez Rodriguez, B. V, Portela, J. (eds), Centro de Arte Contemporaneo Wifrido Lam, Havana, Cuba.
- **2013** Connecting the Self to the La Habana Independent Media Workshop, Connecting La Havana, Lucrezia Cipitelli, Editor, Digicult Editions, Milan, Italy.
- **Decolonial AestheSis at the 11<sup>th</sup> Havana Biennial, Decolonial AestheSis,** Raul Moarquech Ferrera-Balanquet and Miguel Rojas-Sotelo, *Periscope / Social Text Journal*, New York, USA.
- **2012 Décolonialité et Expérience Esthétique: Une Approximation** (a collaboration with five artists), *Inter Art Actuel, No. 111*, Quebec, Canada.
- **Decolonial Aesthetics: Collective Creative Practice in Progress** ("Practici creatoare colective în desfășurare"), Raul Moarquech Ferrera-Balanquet and Miguel Rojas-Sotelo, Eds., *IDEA arts* + *society*, #39, Clui, Romania.
- 2010 Merida T'Ho\_MX: Exploring Locative Media in a Latino Territory, *Public No. 40*, Toronto, Canada.
- 2009 Arte Nuevo InteractivA: The Social Engineering of a Curatorial Project in Merida\_MX, Integración y Resistencia en la Era Global, Evento Teórico Décima Bienal de La Habana, Centro de Arte Contemporaneo Wifredo Lam, La Habana, Cuba.
- 2009 Arte Nuevo InteractivA: La manoeuvre d'un projet de commissariat à Mérida, Mexique, Inter 102, pp. 86–94.
- **Metropolis Transmigratorias: Merida\_MX and Los Angeles\_Aztlan,** *Bienal de La Habana para leer*, Universitat de València, Spain.
- **Videoarte transnacional Latino en EEU-Canada: 1960-2007,** *Video en Latinoamerica; Una visión crítica,* Editorial Brumaria, Madrid, Spain.
- 2001 Curating New Media Arts in a Latin American Context, The Media Circus Reader,

Rogue States, Spacestation Press, Melbourne, Australia.

## SELECTED RECENT SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2019 Eggungun: Orisha de los Ancestros, The Box Gallery, West Palm Beach, Florida, USA.
- **2016 Ancestral Memories**, curated by Kency Cornejo and Miguel Rojas-Sotelo, Jameson Gallery, Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, USA.
- **2011** Recent Media Works, curated by Jorge Castro, La Cupula Gallery, Cordoba, Argentina.
- **2011 Nomad Dreams,** interactive media, documentary and socially engaged public art installation and performance, City of Merida Festival, Merida, Yucatan, Mexico.
- **2010 Memories at the Crossroads: Raul Moarquech Ferrera-Balanquet,** North Carolina Latin American Film Festival, Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, USA.
- **Merida T'Ho\_MX**, interactive media and socially engaged public art installation and performance, City of Merida Festival, Merida, Yucatan, Mexico.
- **The Videos of Raul Moarquech Ferrera-Balanquet**, curated by Rinaldo Walcot, The Centre for Media and Culture in Education, University of Toronto, Canada.

# **SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS**

- **2019** La posible reconstrucción de nuestros mundos, curators: Andres D. Abreu y Roxana de los Ríos, TECNOLOGÍASQUEDANZAN, XIII Bienal de La Habana, Galería Zoom-Sala Lezama Lima, Gran Teatro de La Habana Alicia Alonso, Havana, Cuba.
- **2015 HD: Haceres Decoloniales,** curated by Pedro Pablo Gomes, ASAB Gallery, Universidad Distrital Francisco Jose de Caldas, Bogota, Colombia.
- **Panorama de la Plastica en Yucatan**, Curated by Rafael Perez y Perez and Miriam Kaiser, 33 International Cervantino Festival, Leon, Guanajuato, Mexico.
- **Reactions: A Global Response to the 9/11 Attacks**, organized by Papo Colo and Jeanette Ingberman, Exit Art Gallery, New York City, USA.
- 1997 Una Retrospectiva de las Video Colaboraciones entre Raúl Ferrera-Balanquet y Enrique Novelo Cascante, MIX México: First Film and Video Festival of Sexual Diversity, Cine Eleketra, México DF., México.
- 1995 Mix New York 95, 9<sup>th</sup> New York Lesbian and Gay Experimental Film and Video Festival, Film Anthology, New York City, USA.
- **1993** Cruzando Fronteras/Crossing Borders, Latin Canadian Film, Video and Media Festival, Habourfront, Toronto, Canada.
- **Body Parts: A Physical Examination**, Los Angeles Contemporary Exhibitions, Los Angeles, California, USA.

## SELECTED PERFORMANCES AND PUBLIC INSTALLATIONS

- **2018** (De)Encounters and The Weaving of Relational Memories in the MeXicanx\_Latinx Territories (1987-2017), Los Angeles Contemporary Exhibitions, Los Angeles, California.
- **2017 Wiwa Turi Éek' Yuman / Memories of Stars and Constellations,** *Territorios Inexplorados / Encuentro de Arte Acción en Yucatán*, Merida, Yucatan, Mexico.
- 2015 Akonel Anahua / Knowing the One Who Walks with the Wind, *The Second Annual Evening of Indigenous Storytelling*, Organized by the First Nations Graduate Circle, UNC, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, USA.
- **2015 Mariposa Ancestral Memory**, *HD: Haceres Decoloniales*, curated by Pedro Pablo Gómez, ASAB Gallery, Bogota, Colombia.
- **2013 Mariposa Ancestral Memory,** *BE.BOP*, curated by Alanna Lockwood, Ballhaus Naunynstraße, Berlin, Germany.
- **Tres Ciudades: Campeche+Chetumal+Merida,** 7<sup>th</sup> International Art Festival, Campeche and Merida Cultural Office, Yucatán, Mexico.

# **SELECTED MUSEUM SHOWS**

- **2012 Nomad Dreams and Selected Videos,** interactive media, documentary and socially engaged public art installation and performance, curated by Arlan Londoño and Gabriel Roldo, *DysTorpia Media Project*, Queens Museum of Art, Queens, New York, USA.
- **Decolonial Aesthetics**, exhibition and workshop organized by Walter Mignolo, Nasher Museum and Jameson Gallery, Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, USA.
- **2006 Unbroken Ties: Dialogues in Cuban Art**, curated by Jorge Santis, Museum of Latin American Art, Long Beach, California, USA.
- 1997 Breaking Barriers, Fort Lauderdale Museum of Art, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, USA.
- **1995 Cuba: La Isla Posible,** curated by Ivan de la Nuez, Juan Pablo Ballester and Maria Elena Escalona, Centro de Cultura Contemporanea de Barcelona, Spain.
- **The Gulf Crisis TV Project,** Deep Dish TV and Paper Tiger TV, Whitney Biennial, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York City, New York, USA.
- **Latino Media Arts: Theory and Culture,** curated by Ana M. Lopez and Chong Noriega, Film and Video Gallery, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York City, USA.
- 1991 Cuba-USA: The First Generation, Museum of Contemporary Arts, Chicago, USA.

# SELECTED CITED WORKS AND REVIEWS ARTISTIC

- Fleites, Alex. Videoarte: un género que contiende en las fronteras: Entrevista a Andres D. Abreu, *Oncubanews*, January 8, Oncubanews.com, Miami, USA.
- 2018 Iaroc, Andrea. Raul Moarquech Ferrera-Balanquet: A Master Storyteller, West Palm Beach Magazine, West Palm Beach, Florida, USA.
- **2018** Vazquez, Rolando. **'Be.Bop Black Europe Body Politics' (2012–ongoing),** Decolonial Documents: Part Four, *Frieze*, Issue 199, November-December, London-New York-Berlin.
- 2017 Rodríguez Moreno, Celenis. Ferrera Balanquet, Raúl Moarquech (comp.) (2015). Andar erótico decolonial. El desprendimiento. Buenos Aires: Ediciones del Signo, Revista LiminaR. Estudios Sociales y Humanísticos, vol. XV, núm. 2, México.
- **2015** Alexander, Jacqui. **Groundings on Rasanblaj**, *E-misférica* Vol. 12, Issue 1.
- 2006 Montes de Oca, Dannys. Del Fórum Idea 2006, ARTECUBANO 2, Havana, Cuba.
- 1998 De la Nuez, Ivan. Mariel en el Extremo de la Cultura, Encuentro de la Cultura Cubana, No. 8 / 9, Spring / Summer, Madrid, Spain.
- 1997 Bonfil, Carlos. Al Margen del Margen: Mix Mexico 97, La Jornada, Mexico DF.
- 1996 Lopez, Ana M. Greater Cuba, *The Ethnic Eye*, ed. Chong Noriega and Ana M. Lopez, University of Minnesota Press, USA.
- 1996 Ortiz, Chris. The Forbidden Kiss: Raúl Ferrera-Balanquet and Enrique Novelo Cascante's Merida Proscrita, *The Ethnic Eye*, ed. Chong Noriega and Ana M. Lopez, University of Minnesota Press, USA.
- 1995 Fusco, Coco, Miranda's Diary, English is Broken Here: Notes on Cultural Fusion in the Americas, the New Press, New York, USA.
- 1991 Merrett, Jim. Raúl Ferrera-Balanquet rediscovers his Cuban Heritage in Iowa City, *The Advocate*, June, Los Angeles, California, USA.

# SELECTED PARTICIPATION IN CONFERENCES, SYMPOSIUMS, AND PANELS

- **The Future-Past vs. Coloniality: Decolonial Media Art Beyond 530 Years,** ACM SIGGRAPH Digital Arts Community Committee.
- **2021** Africana Aesthesis and Decolonial Creative Practices, *Jornada: Dialogando Sobre Arte Decolonial*, Grupo Latinoamericano de Formación y Acción Feminista (GLEFAS), Bogota, Colombia.
- **Decolonizing Masculinities from Yesterday and Today,** SEEDS for Change in collaboration with Mount Allison University and Framingham State University, Canada.

- **Tod[o-a-@-x-e-]s: Debates sobre la inclusión lingüística en la literatura,** FILEY: Feria Internacional de la Lectura Yucatán, Merida, Yucatan, Mexico.
- **2018 II Festival de Cine Intercultural de la Zona Maya**, Intercultural University Jose María Morelos, Quintana Roo, Mexico.
- **2018** Transnational Migration and the Nomadic Imagination, *Aestesis, Decolonial Transmoderna Latinx\_MX*, FONCA, Mexico Southwestern College Art Gallery, Chula Vista, California, USA.
- **2013** Symposium on Decolonial Aesthetics from the Americas, e-fagia / University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada.
- 2013 Decolonizing The "Cold" War, BE.BOP 2013. Black Europe Body Politics, Ballhaus Naunynstraße, Berlin, Germany.
- **2012** Theoretical Event, 11<sup>th</sup> Havana Biennial, Havana, Cuba.
- **2011** LabDeLabs, Centro Cultural de España / Universidad Nacional, Cordoba, Argentina.
- 2008 Multiculturalism, Migration, and the Mega-Exhibition: Considering the Impacts of Contemporary Festivals, Biennales, and Documentas, Association of Art Historians Annual Conference, Tate Britain & Tate Modern, London, England.
- 2007 Arte Nuevo InteractivA: an experimental organic history of a curatorial project in MERIDA\_MX, School of Art History, Frick Fine Arts Auditorium, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA.
- **The Postcolonial Poetic in El Sueño de Jorge Lara Rivera,** VI International Encounter of Caribbean Writers, Playa de Carmen, Quintana Roo, Mexico.
- 2001 The Straw That Broke The Museum's Back? Digital Art On-Line And On-Site, Museum Computer Network's Annual Conference, Cincinnati, Ohio, USA.
- **1995 BNQN?** /Black Nation Queer Nation?, The Graduate Center of the City University of New York, New York City, USA.
- 1995 Theory Beyond the Academy, Knowledge and Identities for the 90's, University of California San Diego, San Diego, California, USA.

# SELECTED GRANTS, AWARDS, AND HONORS

- 2021 Critical Minded, Allied Media Projects, USA.
- **2018 FONCA,** Cultural Studies, Fondo Nacional para la Cultura y las Artes, Mexico.
- **2017** Foundation for Contemporary Arts, New York, New York, USA.
- **2012** Research Grant, Tinker Foundation Incorporated/Andrew W. Mellon Foundation.
- **2011 Prince Claus Traveling Fund,** Amsterdam, The Netherlands.
- **2010 Production Grant,** Office of Culture, City of Merida, Yucatan, Mexico.
- **2004 FOECAY/CONACULTA**, Yucatan, Mexico.
- **2001** US / Mexico Fund for Culture, Contacto Cultural, FONCA / Rockefeller Foundation.
- **2000** Alchemy Fellowship, Australian Network of Art and Technology, Australia.
- 1998 Fulbright Scholar, USA.
- 1995 NEA, Illinois Art Council Grant, Chicago, Illinois, USA.
- 1994 Outstanding Service to Students/Faculty, Columbia College Chicago, Illinois, USA.
- 1993 The Frameline Film and Video Completion Fund, San Francisco, California, USA.
- 1993 Lyn Blumenthal Fund for Independent Video/Criticism, Chicago, Illinois, USA.
- 1992 NEA, Film in the Cities Film/Video Grants Program, Saint Paul, Minnesota, USA.

#### **ORGANIZATIONS**

Fulbright Alumni Association, 1999-2022.

Transnational Decolonial Institute, 2011-2022.

Editorial Committee, Revista Yucateca de Estudios Literarios, 2017-2022.

Laboratorio Cartodigital, 2001-2022.

**Decolonial Working Group, 2011-2022.** 

Centro Yucateco de Escritores AC., Merida, Yucatan, Mexico, 1994-2022. National Association of Latino Arts and Cultures (NALAC), 2013-2019.

**The Hurston-James Society,** Duke University, 2012-2016.

MLA, Modern Language Association, 2013-2016.

Latino Midwest Video Collective, 1986-2001

College Art Association, 2000-2002.

ALMA, Association of Latino Men in Action, Chicago, 1992-1996.

## **COMPUTER ABILITIES**

Graphic Design Software: Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign.

Web and Interactive Software: Flash, Dreamweaver, PowerPoint, FileZilla.

Online Learning: Sakai, Blackboard, Moodle, Zoom, Teams, Classroom, Google Suite.

Office Software: Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, Excel.

Programming Languages: HMTL, JavaScript.

Digital Video and Sound Software and Systems: Adobe Premier, After Effects, Final Cut Pro X,

AVID Non-Linear Digital System, Sound Track Pro, C-Live, Audacity.

# LANGUAGE, CITIZENSHIP AND INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE

Native Language: Spanish; fluent in English; intermediate level in Yucatec Mayan.

Citizenship: U.S.A.; Cuba.

Travel: Colombia, Ecuador, England, Spain, El Salvador, Argentina, Dominican Republic, Puerto

Rico, Canada, Mexico, Cuba, Germany, and Australia.