

# Aqui Estamos/We Are Here: California Chican@ Art Exhibition Cabrillo College Gallery

*Exhibit Runs Through February 27, with Reception on February 7 at 5:30 p.m. – Artist's Lecture/ Film Screening February 11 at 7 p.m.*

Cabrillo College announces its newest group art exhibition, *Aqui Estamos/We Are Here: California Chican@ Art*, which will run from January 26 to February 7 at the Cabrillo Gallery, located in the Cabrillo College Library building, room #1002 on the Aptos campus (6500 Soquel Drive). An artists' reception will be held on Saturday, February 7 from 5:30-7:00 p.m.

An artist's lecture and film screening of the film *A Life of Engagement* will be held on Wednesday, February 11 at 7:00 p.m. This is the story of Eduardo Carillo, an American artist who lived, taught and

worked in Santa Cruz. The film takes the viewer through his experience of discovering his Mexican cultural heritage. This film expresses the challenges that first generation Americans face everywhere and communicates a positive message about becoming a successful American while preserving one's roots.

The exhibition features work by 13 artists with a shared Mexican American experience. The show includes a range of styles and media, ranging from



realistic imagery to abstract work confronting issues like racism, immigration, and socioeconomics. The show continues through February 7 and is open and free to the public Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., Monday and Tuesday evenings 7 - 9 p.m.

*Aqui Estamos* includes work from the following artists: Abel Alejandro, Linda Arreola, Eduardo Carrillo, Enrique Chagoya, Juan Fuentes, Lorraine García-Nakata,

Amanda Lopez, Jose Lozano, Viviana Paredes, Shizu Saldamando, Leigh Salgado, Manuel Santana, and Linda Vallejo. ■

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*Aqui Estamos/We Are Here: California Chican@ Art January 26-February 27, (closed February 13 & 16). Monday – Friday, 9-4 p.m., Mon/Tue, 7-9 p.m., Closed Weekends Cabrillo College Gallery, 6500 Soquel Drive, Room 1002, Aptos*

*Reception: Saturday, February 7 from 5:30-7:00 p.m.*

*Lecture & Film Screening: Wednesday, February 11, 7 p.m. Rm. 1001 (lower campus)*