

# Saul Villegas

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## Research Interests

Project photography development focused on bridging the arts and sciences—infrared photography and colorimetric aesthetics through image manipulation and digital enhancement.

## Academic History

### **University of California, Santa Cruz, CA**

Bachelor's of Arts, Studio Art Practice *June 2021 (expected) graduation*

- GPA 4.0
- Dean's Honor Roll

## Research/Collaboration Experience

### **Photo Editor & Designer Santa Cruz, CA**

OpenLab Collaborative Research Center, University of California, Santa Cruz *October 2020 – June 2021*

- Design 3D objects and image materials for public and virtual Arts & Science exhibition.

### **Porter Fellow Santa Cruz, CA**

University of California, Santa Cruz *September 2020 – June 2021*

- Organize digital photograph archives of film festivals and artist exhibitions for website and artist documentation.

### **Assistant Curator Santa Cruz, CA**

Kenneth S. Norris Center for Natural History, University of California, Santa Cruz *July 2020 – June 2021*

- Design promotional materials for a public and virtual Naturalists exhibition.

### **Independent Study Santa Cruz, CA**

Institute of Marine Sciences, University of California, Santa Cruz *March 2020 – December 2020*

- Design educational material promoting the Arts & Marine Sciences for a public and virtual exhibition using digital video and image archives.

## Professional Experience

### **Master Stylist Hanford-Capitola, CA**

Ultra Beauty *June 2016– October 2020*

- Client consultation, hair cutting, and advanced chemical coloring services.

## Presentations & Live Art Demonstrations

**Kresge Transfer Student Successful Path to Research**, University of California, Santa Cruz, *November 2020*

**Digital Scholarship Commons Presentation**, University Library, University of California, Santa Cruz, *May 2020*

**Via Arté, Live Art Chalk Demo**, Bakersfield Museum of Art, Bakersfield, CA, *October 2018*

**Art Slideshow Presentation**, KMPH FOX, Fresno, CA, *March 2018*

**Live Art Painting Demo**, The Painted Table, Fresno, CA, *March 2018*

**Live Art Ink Illustration Demo**, Arts Consortium, Visalia, CA, *May 2018*

## **Solo & Group Art Exhibitions**

Solo Art Exhibition, **Deep-Sea Coral II**, Seymour Marine Discovery Center & Institute of Marine Sciences, University of California, Santa Cruz, *December 2020*  
 Senior Exhibition, **Moderno Landscapes**, University of California, Santa Cruz, *November 2020*  
 Solo Art Exhibition, **Pareidolia|Palinopsia**, University of California, Santa Cruz, *November 2019*  
 Group Art Exhibition, **Faces of the Valley**, Fresno Yosemite International Airport, Fresno, CA *2018*  
 Solo Art Exhibition, **Metamorphosis of the Sun**, Fresno County Public Library, Fresno, CA *2017*  
 Solo Art Exhibition, **Collection of Paintings & Illustrations**, Fresno State University, Fresno, CA *2017*  
 Solo Art Exhibition, **Moderno Landscapes**, Fresno City Hall, Fresno, CA *2013*  
 Solo Art Exhibition, **Moderno Collection**, Arte Américas, Fresno, CA *2011*  
 Group Art Exhibition, **Voices of the Nativity**, Episcopal Church of the Saviour, Hanford, CA *2010*

## **Community Philanthropic Projects**

**Deep-Sea Coral**, Seymour Marine Discovery Center & Institute of Marine Sciences, University of California, Santa Cruz, CA *July 2020*  
**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Scholarship Dinner**, Kings County Council of Mexican-American Women, Hanford, CA *2018*  
**Kings County Job Fair Graphic Designer**, Human Services Agency, Hanford, CA *2016*  
**Painted Violin Project**, Youth Orchestras of Fresno, Fresno, CA *2012-14*  
**Art-O-Rama**, Kings Art Center, Hanford, CA *May 2011*  
**Carousel Restoration Project**, Hanford Chamber of Commerce, Hanford, CA *April 2011*  
**28<sup>th</sup> Annual Great TV Auction**, Valley PBS KVPT, Fresno, CA *November 2005*  
**Bounty of Kings Mural Project**, Historic Downtown, Hanford, CA *May 2004*

## **Honors & Awards**

**Dean's Undergraduate Research Award**, University of California, Santa Cruz, *June 2020*  
**Dean's Honor List**, GPA 4.0, Winter '20, Spring '20, Fall '20, University of California, Santa Cruz  
**OpenLab Fellowship**, *What makes us Human An Art + Genomics Convergence*, University of California, Santa Cruz, *November 2020*  
**Irwin Project Award Recipient**, University of California, Santa Cruz, *November 2020*  
**Christopher Stephen Fisher Memorial Endowment Recipient**, University of California, Santa Cruz, *November 2020*  
**California Relief Fund for Artists & Cultural Practitioners Grant**, Center for Cultural Innovation, *September 2020*  
**Porter Fellowship**, University of California, Santa Cruz, *August 2020*  
**District 14<sup>th</sup> Inaugural Recipient**, *Central Valley Dream Scholarship Program*, California State Senate, *July 2020*  
**Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship**, University of California, Santa Cruz, *July 2020*  
**UCEAP Promise Award**, University of California, Santa Cruz, *July 2020*  
**Nancy Paschal Field Study Scholarship**, University of California, Santa Cruz, *June 2020*  
**Irwin Project Award Recipient**, University of California, Santa Cruz, *November 2019*  
**Young Latino Americans in the Central Valley Award for Philanthropy**, Valley PBS, Fresno, CA, *September 2013*  
**Sabin Gray Award in Art**, College of the Sequoias, Visalia, CA, *April 2013*  
**Best Student in the field of Art**, Hanford West High School, Hanford, CA, *April 2002*  
**Art Scholarship**, California State Summer School for the Arts, CalArts, Valencia, CA, *June 1999*

## **Skills & Certifications**

- Strong attention to detail with DSLR Digital Cameras
- Proficient in Digital media using Adobe Creative Cloud
- 10+ years in Color Theory and Painting practices
- Capability to perform collaboration in interdisciplinary projects
- Cosmetologist Certification, *April 2006*

### **Commissions**

**Portrait Painting**, Commissioner *Jamie Lopez Arevalo*, Paso Robles, *July 2016*

**Theatre Painting**, Commissioner, *The Painted Table*, Fresno, CA *September 2013*

**Blind Justice Painting**, Commissioner, *Griswold LaSalle Cobb Dowd & Ginn LLP*, Hanford, CA *June 2008*

### **Publications**

Senior Show, University of California, Santa Cruz Art Department, Santa Cruz, *November 2020*

Pomona Valley Review, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona *July 2017-20*

Seymour Marine Discovery Center, Santa Cruz, *July 2020*

Matchbox Magazine, University of California, Santa Cruz, *July 2020*

Kopi Sotiropulos, Interview, KMPH Fox 26 Station, Fresno, CA, *March 2018*

Marc Blake, Interview, Jewel FM Station, Fresno, CA, *May 01, 2018*.

The Fresno Bee, Article MODERNO solo exhibition at Arte Américas, *February 06, 2011*.

Educational Employee Credit Union, Quarterly Newsletter Issue No. 7, *April 2011*.

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