

Daniel Rodríguez Collazo

ABOUT THE ARTIST

Daniel Rodríguez Collazo was born in 1987 and studied in Havana at the Eduardo Abela Academy of Visual Arts, with an emphasis on Engraving. Working in a variety of mediums, including charcoal, graphite, acrylic, ink, and drywall, Daniel's artworks are consistently inspired by built urban landscapes, often of his hometown of Havana. Collazo's impeccably detailed creations often straddle the line between photorealistic architectural documentation and surrealist futuristic visions. His work has been featured in solo and group exhibitions in many galleries and venues around the world, including Argentina, France, Germany, Italy, Peru, Spain, United States, and of course his native country Cuba.

Among his many recognitions, he received the First Place award at Arte Sur Batabanó in Mayabeque, Cuba in 2012 and in 2013 the Drawing Prize from Salón Playa in Havana, Cuba.

Daniel continues to create architecturally inspired artworks in his studio in Havana.

ARTIST STATEMENT

My main interest as a creator is rooted in the observation and analysis of architecture. This interest has allowed me to discover architecture's powerful connection with the individuals who inhabit it, from its functional to its subjective aspects. The ability of its walls to contain the energy of the individual they surround – that person's very life and stories – has inspired me to take apart and reinterpret lines and planes in an effort to represent the voluntary and involuntary movement within, so that the structure undergoes a kind of metamorphosis – a product and reflection – of the social being living there, and on occasion, of its own needs, as the living entity that it is. We could say then that my cities are unstable, resonant, and, in their broadest sense, infinite cities.

Resonancias Series

Created by painting and then carving drywall, the sculptural works presented from the *Resonancias Series* are primarily black and white with an occasional hint of craft paper exposed. According to Daniel, this monochromatic character provides a reality not seen in everyday life and allows the viewer to focus on positive and negative relationship created by the arrangement of lines and forms. This relationship creates stark contrasts and results in optical illusions that enhance the viewer's impression of the abstracted three-dimensional architectural facades.



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CURRICULUM VITAE

EDUCATION

Graduated from the Eduardo Abela Visual Arts Academy with an emphasis on Engraving, Havana, Cuba

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2021 *Ciudades* / Camiba Gallery / Austin, TX
- 2018 *Ciudades Invisibles* / Galiano Art Gallery / Havana, Cuba
Ciudades Infinitas / Evolución Art Gallery / Lima, Peru
- 2017 *Cartas a la Luna* / Casa 8 Art Gallery / Havana, Cuba
- 2014 *Simbiosis* / Servando Cabrera Art Gallery / Havana, Cuba
- 2011 *Pasaporte* / Hernández Cárdenas Art Gallery / Havana, Cuba
- 2006 *Utopía* / Art Center Batabanó / Mayabeque, Cuba
- 2003 *Comienzos* / Art Center Batabanó / Mayabeque, Cuba

SELECTED TWO-PERSON & GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2023 *Existencia* / Camiba Gallery / Austin, TX
- 2022 *Art Karlsruhe* / Galerie Isabelle Lesmeister / Karlsruhe, Germany
Crucigramas / Galerí Galiano / Havana, Cuba
- 2021 *LOOPS & LINES* / Galerie Isabelle Lesmeister / Regensburg, Germany
Miami Spring 2021 POP-UP / JCamejo Art Gallery / Miami, FL
- 2020 *Insight 2020* / Camiba Art Gallery / Austin, TX
Contrasts / Camiba Art Gallery / Austin, TX
- 2019 *1 x ONE* / JCamejo Art Gallery / Miami, FL
PUNTO o - Point o / Collateral Exhibition at the 13th Havana Biennial / Casa 8 Art Gallery / Havana, Cuba
- 2018 *Between Fantasy and Reality* / JCamejo Art Gallery / Miami, FL
Espacios complementarios / Cuban Art Factory / Havana, Cuba
Reincidentes / Fucina Des Artistas / Havana, Cuba
Cuban Contemporary Exhibit / SagerBraudis Gallery / Columbia, MO
20 Dialogues with Contemporary Painters / Querétaro Art Museum / Querétaro, México
La Meteria del Seseon / Tractor Group (Leonardo Salgado, Daniel R. Collazo and Roldán Lauzán) / Casa 8 Art Gallery / Havana, Cuba
- 2017 *Casa 8 Presenta* / Casa 8 Art Gallery / Havana, Cuba
POST-IT 4 Contemporary Cuban Art Exhibition / Galiano Art Gallery / Havana, Cuba
- 2016 *Anima Única* / Collecttivo 37 / Contemporary Art / Turin, Italy
Déplacement / Achillea Art Gallery / Paris, France
Sabor Metálico / Villa Manuela Art Gallery / Havana, Cuba
Cubanía / Barclaycard Center / Madrid, Spain
Senderos de Deseo / Cuban Art Factory / Havana, Cuba
El Blanco Más Oscuro / Casa 8 Art Gallery / Havana, Cuba
- 2015 *Intersections* / Galerie Isabelle Lesmeister / Regensburg, Germany
National Landscape Salon / LA ACACIA Art Gallery / Havana, Cuba
Visceral / Zona Franca / 12th Havana Biennial, Cuba
- 2014 *Intervention* / Hotel Ambos Mundos / Havana, Cuba
Club de los 27 / Casa del Joven Creador / Mayabeque Cuba
26th Arístides Fernández Salon of Visual Arts / Mayabeque, Cuba

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SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS (cont.)

- 2013 *Sinapsis (Grupo Tractor)* / Génesis Art Gallery / Miramar Trade Center / Havana, Cuba
Arte Soy / Casa Nacional del Bicentenario / Buenos Aires, Argentina
12th "Puente Sur" Performance and Interventions Event / Mayabeque, Cuba
Salón Playa / Servando Cabrera Moreno Art Gallery / Havana, Cuba
- 2012 *Landia (Grupo Tractor)* / Galiano Art Gallery / Havana, Cuba
Arte Soy / José Martí Memorial / Havana, Cuba
12 x 1 / Hernández Cárdenas Art Gallery / Havana, Cuba
- 2011 *Arte Sur Event* / Batabanó / Mayabeque, Cuba
National Landscape Salon / LA ACACIA Art Gallery / Havana, Cuba
- 2010 *Arte Sur Event* / Batabanó / Mayabeque, Cuba
5 x 7 Photo Salon / Pablo de la Torriente Brau Cultural Center / Havana, Cuba
- 2009 *Salón de Mayo* / Eduardo Abela Academy of Visual Arts / Artemisa, Cuba
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- 2006 *Salón de Graduados* / Círculo Social / San Antonio de los Baños / Artemisa, Cuba
Small Format Salon / 23 & L Art Gallery / Havana, Cuba
- 2005 *Evento Pedagogía 2005* / Karl Marx Theater / Havana, Cuba
- 2004 *Salón de Mayo* / Eduardo Abela Academy of Visual Arts / Artemisa, Cuba
- 2003 *Arte Sur Event* / Municipal Museum Batabanó / Mayabeque, Cuba
Salón de Mayo / Eduardo Abela Academy of Visual Arts / Artemisa, Cuba

ART FAIRS

- 2021 Affordable Art Fair NYC / Contemporary Art Fair / Metropolitan Pavilion / New York, NY
- 2019 Beirut Art Fair / Beirut, Lebanon
Art Madrid / Contemporary Art Fair / Cibeles Palace / Madrid, Spain
- 2018 PARC International Art Fair / Museum of Contemporary Art / Lima, Peru
Art Madrid / Contemporary Art Fair / Cibeles Palace / Madrid, Spain
Art Up / Contemporary Art Fair / Grand Palais / Lille, France
- 2017 *Art Madrid* / Contemporary Art Fair / Cibeles Palace / Madrid, Spain
- 2016 Paratissima Art Fair / Fucina Des Artistas / Turin, Italy
Art Bodensee / Contemporary Art Fair / Galerie Isabelle Lesmeister / Dornbirn, Austria
Art Karlsruhe / International Fair for Classic Modern and Contemporary Art / Galerie Isabelle Lesmeister / Karlsruhe, Germany
LA ART SHOW / Contemporary Art Fair / Los Angeles, CA

AWARDS & HONORS

- 2017 International Artists Contest of the Flamantes Project / Spain
- 2013 Prize in Drawing / *Salón Playa* / Havana, Cuba
- 2012 First Prize / *Arte Sur Event* / Batabanó / Mayabeque, Cuba
- 2011 Second Prize / *Arte Sur Event* / Batabanó / Mayabeque, Cuba
- 2010 Third Prize / *Arte Sur Event* / Batabanó / Mayabeque, Cuba
- 2009 Mention / *May Salon* / San Antonio de los Baños / Artemisa, Cuba
- 2002 First Prize / *Portrait Event* / *Homage to Lino Borges* / Batabanó / Mayabeque, Cuba