

Saul Villegas

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Research Interests

Traditional image-making practices to merge digital technologies to develop strategies on bridging the arts and sciences—infrared photography and colorimetric aesthetics through image manipulation and enhancements with archival processes.

Academic History

University of California, Santa Cruz, CA

Bachelor's of Arts, Studio Art Practice *June 2021*

- GPA 3.98
- **Summa Cum Laude**
- Phi Beta Kappa
- Honors in the major

Solo & Group Art Exhibitions

Group Art Virtual Exhibition, **At the Present Moment**, Sesnon Underground Gallery, University of California, Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz Museum of Art & History (MAH), *February 2021*

Solo Virtual Art Exhibition, **Retrospective**, University of California, Santa Cruz, *January 2021*

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

Science Internship Program, Astronomy Department, STEAM, University of California, Santa Cruz, *July 2021*

Deep-Sea Coral, Seymour Marine Discovery Center & Institute of Marine Sciences, University of California, Santa Cruz, CA *July 2020*

50th 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*

28th Annual Great TV Auction, Valley PBS KVPT, Fresno, CA *November 2005*

Bounty of Kings Mural Project, Historic Downtown, Hanford, CA *May 2004*

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*

Research/Collaboration Experience

Digital Image & Video creator *Team Costa* Hanford, CA

Biodesign X Google Sprint 2021, Online/remote *October-November 2021*

- Assisted a team of emerging artists and designers in creating 3D graphics, illustrations, video, and branding for a product development device for sustainable solutions for technology-based hardware using biology and biotechnology.

E.A.R.T.H. Lab Assistant Santa Cruz, CA

Digital Arts Research Center, University of California, Santa Cruz *April 2021 – present*

- Web & Graphics designer for performance and art practice using archives with image editing software.

Digital Scholarship Commons Fellow Santa Cruz, CA

DSC University Library, University of California, Santa Cruz *February 2021 – June 2021*

- Research editing programs for 3D image materials for publication at the Spring Symposium.

Photo Editor & Designer Santa Cruz, CA

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

- Design 3D objects with image materials for a public 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.

Honors & Awards

Natural History Student Award Recipient, University of California, Santa Cruz, *March 2021*

Irwin Scholar Award Recipient, University of California, Santa Cruz, *February 2021*

Eduardo Carrillo Memorial Scholarship Award, University of California, Santa Cruz, *February 2021*

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*

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*