



ISAAC TAPIA

Muralist and Artist

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I am a Kansas City based artist, muralist and painter interested in storytelling and celebrating diverse identities through visual art.

EXPERIENCE

Muralist and painter 2012 - Present, Kansas City, MO

Since 2017, I have completed over 60 indoor and outdoor murals around the KC metro area with IT-RA icons, a collaborative effort with Rodrigo Alvarez. Notable works include Café Corazón, Kansas City International Airport and World Aids Day 18th and Walnut.

Mattie Rhodes Art Center/ Youth Development Art Instructor 2017- 2021, Kansas City, MO

I worked with elementary age-children using art to encourage resilience, positive self-image and multicultural awareness. Daily tasks included outreach and marketing, building lesson plans, teaching, and helping children develop strategies for behavior modification and emotional regulation.

EDUCATION

The Illustration Academy 2019, 2020

Kansas City Art Institute 2010 -2012, Kansas City, MO

Paseo Academy of Fine and Performing Arts 2007 - 2010, Kansas City, MO

EXHIBITIONS

2023-Nelson Atkins Museum *"A Layered Presence"*

2023-*"Dia de Muertos"* Featured Artist, Mattie Rhodes

2023-MASA Collective Presenting *MASA Exhibition*

2023-MASA *"Lost and Found"* Exhibition

2023-Mexican Consulate Traveling Exhibition

2023-Cafe Corazon *"Beyond ITRAicons"*

2023--H&R Block art Space *Flat file* show

2022- *Tangled Roots* Centerpiece

2021-21c Museum Hotel

2021-H&R Block art Space *Flat file* show

2020- *"Faces"* 18th and Vine Gallery

2020- *"Group show"* Beco Gallery

2019- *"AOCA"* Pop Up Gallery

2019- *"KS/MODA Gala,"* Auction Gallery

2018- *"Plein-Air,"* The Rice Gallery

2016-Solo Exhibition- *"Soul of a Dancer,"* MRC

HONORS AND RECOGNITION

2022-Juror for Kansas City Community College Art Competition

2020-Inspiration Grant finalist-ArtsKc

2019- Judge for Overland Park Congressional Art Competition

2019-Rocket grant community mural finalist

2017-Raytown Artists Association Invitational, 3rd place