

# Clarissa Martinez

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## Education

**Maryland Institute College of Art (MICA)** Aug 2017- May 2019

*Baltimore, Maryland*

Master's of Fine Arts, Illustration Practice

Courses taken:

- Grad Remix: Kinetic Illustration Automamta
- Mixed Media Book
- Stop-Motion Open Studio
- Grad Remix: /creating/the .gif

**University of Texas Rio Grande Valley (UTRGV)** Aug 2015- May 2017

*Brownsville, Texas*

Bachelor of Arts, Art, Summa Cum Laude

Courses taken:

- Printmaking
- Digital Imaging
- Painting
- Drawing

## Teaching Experience

**Part-Time Lecturer, Art** Aug 2022- Present

*The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley, Brownsville, Texas*

Currently teaching courses of Art Appreciation, Image & Illustration, Special Topics: Digital Drawing & Painting, and Portfolio for Studio Art.

**Adjunct Instructor, Art** Aug 2019- Present

*Texas Southmost College, Brownsville, Texas*

Currently teaching Art Appreciation and Digital Media.

**Graduate Teaching Intern** Aug 2018 - December 2018

*Landscapes and Interiors class, MICA, Baltimore, Maryland*

Assisted painting professor with attendance, critiques, grading, and answering student questions.

**Peer Workshop Assistant: Journal Making** October 2018

*Fox 4 Classroom, MICA, Baltimore, Maryland*

Worked as a one-on-one assistant at a journal making workshop conducted by my Mixed Media Book class.

**Peer Workshop Leader: 3D Printing** March 2018

*MFA Illustration Practice Seminar Room, MICA, Baltimore, Maryland*

Led peer workshop on how to use the New Matter MOD-t 3D Printer.

**Juror** May 2018

*Junior Visual Art Scholastic Event (VASE), Besteiro Middle School, Brownsville, Texas*

Conducted one-on-one critiques with middle school art students.

**Printmaking Workshop** March 2017

*Festiba, Edinburg, Texas*

Assisted Festiba festival guests with relief inking and printing.

**Juror** February 2017

*VASE, James "Nikki" Rowe High School, McAllen, Texas*

Conducted one-on-one critiques with high school art students.

## Professional Experience

**Board of Directors** 2022 - present

*Brownsville, Texas*

On the Board of Directors for the Brownsville Museum of Fine Art; Chair of the Permanent Collection Committee.

**Freelance Illustrator** 2021 - present

*Brownsville, Texas*

Create illustrations and other projects for commercial and private clients.

**Grad Show II Coordinator** Jan 2019 - March 2019

*MICA, Baltimore, Maryland*

Coordinated between the Exhibitions department and the MFA Illustration Practice program for a smooth, thesis exhibition install.

**Mural Design Project** Jan 2018- May2018

*House of Ruth & MICA, Baltimore, Maryland*

Designed, painted, and installed mural with MICA MFA program cohort for the House of Ruth's new building. Led the story team behind the mural's concept and in presenting the story to stakeholders.

**Cartoonist** Aug 2015 - April 2017

*UTRGV, Brownsville, Texas*

Illustrated editorial cartoons and comics for the student newspaper, *The Rider* as well as various other journalistic duties. Utilized Adobe Creative Suite for multiple assignments.

**Rustenburg Art Gallery Intern** Jan 2016 - May 2016

*UTRGV, Brownsville, Texas*

Assisted the gallery coordinator with preparing exhibitions, show receptions, and admissions.

## Clients

**Liberal Education Magazine** 2023

*Illustrated seven portraits for the article, **Under Review: How Tenuous is Tenure?***

**NOW Art - Mission** 2023

*Illustrated a mural for a Walmart in Mission, Tx.*

**NOW Art - Wharton** 2023

*Illustrated a mural for a Walmart in Wharton, Tx.*

**Coca-Cola Southwest Beverages** 2023

*Created an illustrative collage commission and was interviewed for a commercial for their 2023 Community Canvas campaign.*

**AARP The Magazine** 2021

*Editorial illustration commission, Inspiring Hispanic and Latino Icons*

**Duke University** 2019

*Illustration commission for **Latina Voices/Voces de mujeres latina**, a biography-anthology project by the Spanish 308S course: Latino/a Voices in Duke, Durham, and Beyond at Duke University.*

**Stony Brook University** 2019

*Cover illustration for the journal **América Invertida** from Department of Hispanic Languages and Literature of Stony Brook University*

## Professional Development

**International Workshops**, 2022

*Light Grey Art Lab Scotland RPG Tour*

**Quality Matters** 2021

*Certificate for Independent Applying the QM Rubric (APPQMR) (Satellite Systems)*

## Publications & Screening

**Latin American Ilustración 8** 2019

*Online collection, American Illustration and American Photography (AI-AP)*

**Latino Comics Expo Latino Animation Festival and Fundraiser** 2018

*Alamo Drafthouse, San Francisco, California*

**Undertone Magazine 002: On Body** 2018

*Undertone Collective*

## Awards

### **Design and Art Direction** 2018

*Brownsville Museum of Fine Art, Brownsville, Texas*  
46th International Art Show

### **American Illustration 41 Selected Winner** 2022

*New York, NY*

### **People's Choice** 2018

*Brownsville Museum of Fine Art, Brownsville, Texas*  
46th International Art Show

### **1st Place in Mixed Media** 2018

*Brownsville Museum of Fine Art, Brownsville, Texas*  
46th International Art Show

### **3rd Place in Submitted Cartoon/Comic Panel** 2018

*Texas Intercollegiate Press Association Convention (TIPA), Dallas, TX*

### **Honorable Mention in Submitted Editorial Cartoons (2)** 2017

*TIPA, Dallas, TX*

### **3rd Place On-Site Editorial Cartoon** 2017

*TIPA, Dallas, TX*

### **3rd Place On-Site Editorial Cartoon** 2016

*TIPA, Dallas, TX*

### **Scholastic Excellence Award in Art** 2015

*UTB, Brownsville, TX*

### **2nd Place On-Site Editorial Cartoon** 2015

*TIPA, San Antonio, TX*

### **Stripes Scholarship** 2014

*UTB, Brownsville, TX*

### **UTB University Scholar** 2013

*UTB, Brownsville, TX*

## Exhibitions

### **10th Annual Texas Juried Exhibition** 2023

*Artspace 111, Fort Worth, TX*

### **2023 BMFA Members Exhibition** 2023

*The Brownsville Museum of Fine Art, Brownsville, TX*

### **Mujer-Eres** 2023

*The Brownsville Museum of Fine Art, Brownsville, TX*

### **Women of Resistance** 2023

*La Chicharra Studio, Brownsville, TX*

### **Castillian Roses in December** 2022

*San Benito Cultural Heritage Museum, San Benito, TX*

### **Power in Numbers** 2022

*Gallery Nucleus, Alambra, CA*

### **LOVEISLOVE** 2022

*Artevivo Art Studio, Brownsville, TX*

### **Mujer-Eres Exhibition** 2022

*La Chicharra Studio, Brownsville, TX*

### **Marches That Move US** 2022

*Carlotta K. Petrina Cultural Center, Brownsville, TX*

### **Castillian Roses in December** 2021

*San Benito Cultural Heritage Museum, San Benito, TX*

**Lazos de mi Ciudad** 2021  
*Linear Park, Brownsville, TX*

**Grad Show II** 2019  
*Riggs Gallery, MICA, Baltimore, MD*

**Concentrate: Pages of Past** 2019  
*15/15, MICA, Baltimore, MD*

**We Are Not Things!** 2019  
*Artevivo Art Studio, Brownsville, TX*

**GFA/Mixed Media Book Arts & Paper Cuts** 2018  
*Fox 2 Gallery, Baltimore, MD*

**Short Narratives** 2018  
*Lazarus Center, Baltimore, MD*

**Image Harvest** 2018  
*Riggs Gallery, Baltimore, MD*

**46th International Art Show** 2018  
*Brownsville Museum of Fine Art, Brownsville, TX*

**Grey Space Art Show: ¡Viva La Mujer!** 2018  
*Oak Cliff Cultural Center, Dallas, TX*

**Mujer-Eres Exhibition** 2018  
*Platform 204 Art Gallery, Harlingen, TX*

**Image Harvest** 2017  
*Fox 3 Gallery, MICA, Baltimore, MD*

**Rising Eyes of Texas 2017** 2017  
*Rockport Center for the Arts, Rockport, TX*

**45th International Art Show** 2017  
*The Brownsville Museum of Fine Art, Brownsville, TX*

**Perspectiva Femenina (Senior Exhibit)**, 2016  
*The Gallery at Rusteberg Hall, UTB, Brownsville, TX*

**UTRGV #subculture Urban Art Experience** 2016  
*BAM, Brownsville, TX*

**Printober: A Printmaking Show** 2016  
*B & E Art Studio, Brownsville, TX*

**Pigmented III** 2015  
*Brownsville Historic Museum, Brownsville, TX*

**Mujer-Eres Exhibition** 2015  
*Narcisso Cultural Arts Center, San Benito, TX*

**24th Student Juried Show** 2015  
*The Gallery at Rusteburg Hall, UTB, Brownsville, TX*

**23rd Student Juried Show** 2014  
*The Gallery at Rusteburg Hall, UTB, Brownsville, TX*