

Karla García | Resume

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Education

- 2019 MFA Studio Art, Ceramics. The University of North Texas (UNT). Denton, Texas.
- 2018 Graduate Academic Certificate in Art Museum Education. UNT. Denton, Texas.
- 2001 Bachelor of Arts. University of Texas. at El Paso. El Paso, Texas.

Selected Exhibitions and Projects

- 2024 *Shifting Ground*. Solo exhibition. 12.26 Gallery, Dallas, Texas.
I Talk to the Trees. Group exhibition curated by Sara Hignite for the Dallas Art Fair. Dallas, Texas.
- 2023 *When the Grass Stands Still*. Solo exhibition. Cell Series, The Old Jail Art Center. Albany, Texas.
Seed the Future. Public art sculpture at Trail Driver's Park. Fort Worth, Texas.
Art Quest. Commission by Aurora Dallas. Dallas, Texas.
Soy de Tejas: a statewide survey of Latinx art. Curated by Rigoberto Luna. Centro de Artes. San Antonio, Texas.
- 2022 *La Línea Imaginaria*. Binational solo exhibition. Chamizal National Memorial Museum and Museo de Arqueología e Historia el Chamizal. El Paso, Texas., U.S./Juárez, Chih. Mexico.
Rebuilt from the Ground Up. Solo exhibition. Goldmark Cultural Center, Norman Brown Gallery. Dallas, Texas.
Craft Texas. Juried exhibition. Houston Center for Contemporary Craft. Houston, Texas.
Artists for TEA. Fundraiser for Texas. Equal Access Fund. 12.26 Gallery. Online exhibition.
- 2021 *I Carry This Land With Me*. Solo Exhibition. 12.26 Gallery. Dallas, Texas.
- 2020 *Nasher Windows: Home and Land Project*. Installation. Nasher Sculpture Center. Dallas, Texas.
- 2019 *Carrito de Memorias*. C3 Connections visiting artist interactive installation. Dallas Museum of Art. Dallas, Texas.
Land, Body, Earth. Group exhibition curated by Eliza Au. NCECA 2023 Conference. Cincinnati, Ohio.
Materiality in Dialogue. Group exhibition curated by Varuni K. Divisions Gallery. Pentridge, Coburg, Victoria, Australia.
- 2019 *Latin American Contemporary Fine Art Competition*. Juried by Marcela Guerrero, Assistant Curator at Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, and Jaime Cerón, Curator, Researcher, and Art Critic, Bogota, Colombia. Agora Gallery. New York City, New York.
Familiar Endeavors. Group exhibition. Artspace 111. Fort Worth, Texas.
Sixth Annual Artspace 111 Regional Juried Exhibition: Juried by Hilde Nelson, Assistant Curator at the Dallas Museum of Art. Artspace 111. Fort Worth, Texas.

Grants and Awards

- 2023 Solidarity Grant Travel Fund. American Studies Association. Montreal, Canada.
- 2022 National Endowment of the Arts Grant. U.S. Consulate. Juarez, Mx.
- 2021 Nasher Artist Grant. Dallas, Texas.
- 2020 Arts Activate Round 3 Project Grant. Dallas, Texas. (canceled due to Covid-19 pandemic)
- 2019 Top Prize for "Shadows of Home." Sixth Annual Artspace111 Regional Juried Exhibition. Fort Worth, Texas.
- 2018 UNT College of Visual Art and Design (CVAD) Student Project Award.
- 2018 Onstead Institute Project Award.
- 2018 Toulouse Graduate School Travel Grant.

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- 2017 UNT CVAD Student Project Award.
- 2017 Scholarship by the Friends of Arrowmont.
- 2015 Tuscan Ceramics Study Abroad Scholarship, La Meridiana, Certaldo, Italy. Awarded by Brookhaven School of Fine Arts, Ceramics department.

Residencies and Workshops

- 2021 Corsicana Artist and Writer Residency. Corsicana, Texas.
- 2020 Ceramics Residency, Rise. International Artists Residency Exchange. St. Raphael, France.
- 2017 Ceramics hand-building and surface techniques. Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts. Gatlinburg, Tennessee.
- 2015 Ceramics hand-building workshop. La Meridiana, Certaldo, Italy.

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- Nasher Windows: Karla Garcia, Home and Land Project Exhibition. <https://www.nashersculpturecenter.org/art/exhibitions/exhibition/id/1726#!/info/exhibition/3301/7759>
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Museum and Education Workshops

- 2024 First Saturday Workshop. Nasher Sculpture Center. Dallas, Texas.
- 2023 Holiday Workshop. Nasher Sculpture Center. Dallas, Texas.
Ancient storytelling: Clay whistle workshop. Kimbell Art Museum. Fort Worth, Texas.
- 2022 Teen Council Sculpture Workshop. Kimbell Art Museum. Fort Worth, Texas.
Summer Camp. Oak Cliff Cultural Center. Dallas, Texas.
- 2021 Open Arts Virtual Workshops. Facebook. Austin, Texas.
- 2019 DISD Workshop. Dallas Contemporary. Dallas, Texas.
Visiting Artist Workshops. Dallas Museum of Art C3 Connections. Dallas, Texas.

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2018 Education Internship. Amon Carter Museum. Fort Worth, Texas.
2017 Research Assistant, Dallas Holocaust Museum. Dallas, Texas.

Academic Teaching

2019-present Adjunct Faculty. Dallas College - Cedar Valley and Mountain View Campus. Dallas Texas.
2019-21 Ceramics Lab Assistant. Dallas College - Mountain View Campus. Dallas, Texas.
2019-21 Cliff Gallery Assistant. Dallas College. Dallas, Texas.
2019-20 Contract Educator. Dallas Contemporary Museum. Dallas, Texas.
2018-19 Teaching Fellow. Beginning Ceramics. UNT, Denton, Texas.
2018-19 Digital Fabrication Lab Technician. UNT. Denton, Texas.
2016-18 CVAD Foundations Teaching Assistant. UNT, Denton, Texas.
2015-16 Private Ceramics Instructor. West Lake, Texas.
2014 Teaching Assistant. Dallas Arts Studio. Dallas, Texas.

Communication Design

2014-15 Freelance web and print design. Dallas, Texas.
2008-13 Design Director and Production Artist. Direct Selling News magazine. Lake Dallas, Texas.
2003-08 Graphic Designer. Al Día Newspaper, Dallas Morning News. Dallas, Texas.
2002-03 Freelance web and graphic design. Dallas, Texas.
2001-03 Polar Bear Media. Web design. El Paso, Texas.