

IX LUIS CABALLERO AWARD
DISTRICT ARCHIVE
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2017 - 2018

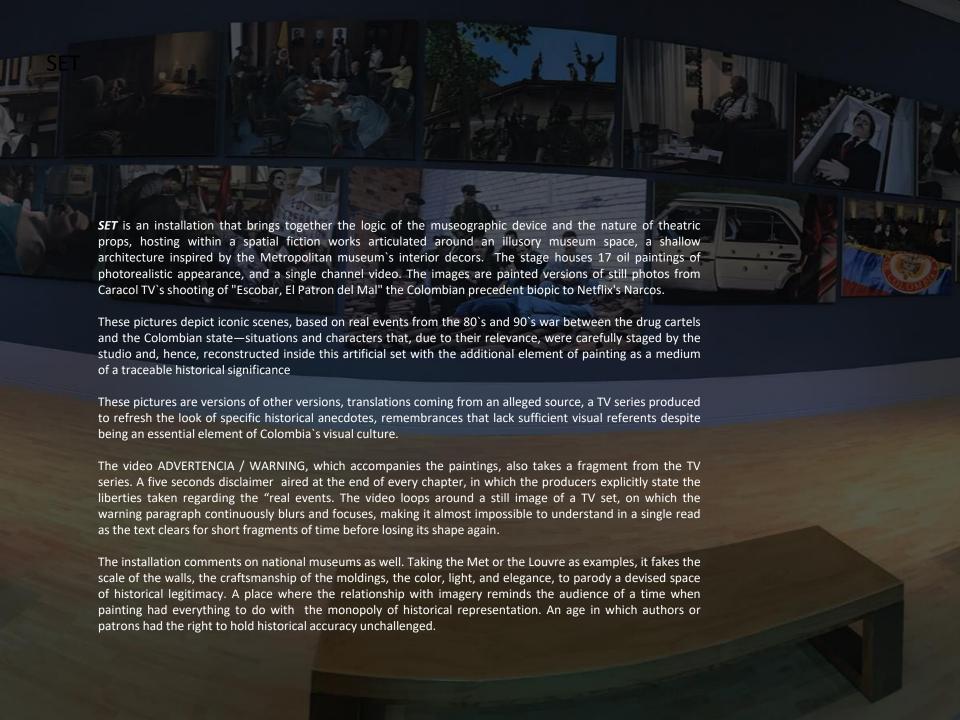
A set is mostly a produced space, where circumstances of representation are designed and controlled. It is staged for cameras to capture something: an anchor exaggerating breaking news, a comedian whose jokes fall flat, a politician in a debate against himself.

An exhibition is not entirely different; it happens in a manufactured space, with specific conditions and designs that allow a precise narrative. It is where specific agents, along with artworks and discourses, are deployed around the museographer's device.

Therefore, this set is an exercise in translations, where both the rules of art exhibitions and the tricks of the TV studio are at play, oscillating from one to the other. Thus, the artworks, acting as characters, become visible inside both scenarios staged in the exhibition room. Generally speaking, the spaces, images and objects are located in a field of ambiguity that aims to open all possible readings, despite the viewer's perspective.

As an observer you are central to the set—as long as you play your part inhabiting it, the circuit is possible. Where the truth or fiction begins is entirely up to visual tradition. Somewhere between the veracity, legitimacy, or the appearance of truth lies a distinctive place to look and question the shapes, powers, and needs available to produce and consume the past.

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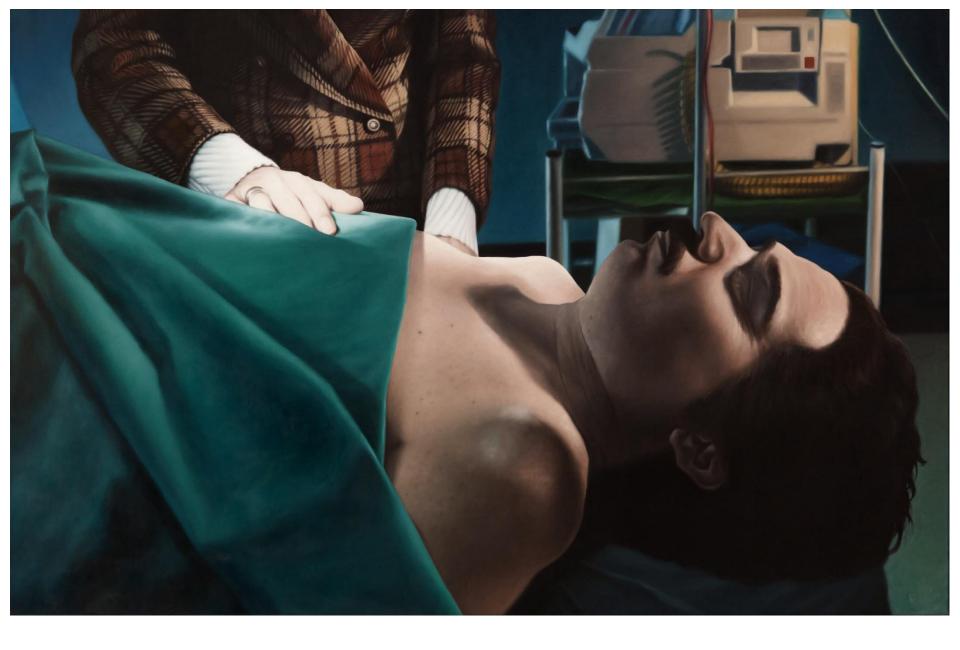




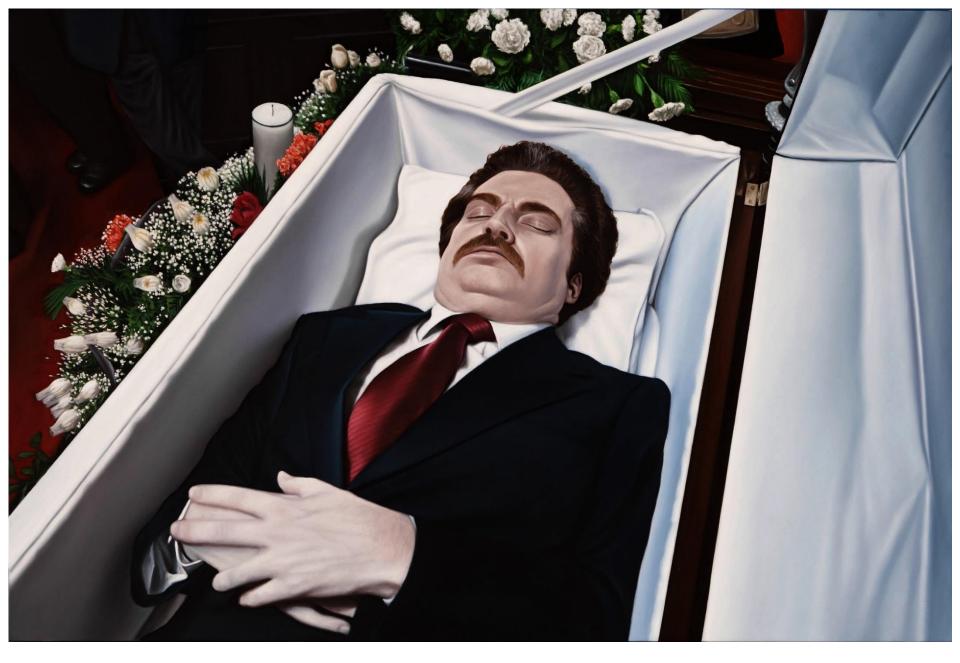
SET / Funeral Chapel / 100 x 150 cm / Oil on Canvas / 2017 From the scenes depicting the funeral of the Ministry of justice Rodrigo Lara Bonilla at the national capitol in 1984



SET / Public Square / 106 x 165 cm / Oil on Canvas /2017 From the scenes depicting the hit on presidential candidate Luis Carlos Galan in a public meeting at Soacha Square in 1989



SET / Morgue / 106 x 165 cm / Oil on Canvas / 2017 From the scenes depicting the hit and ultimate death of presidential candidate Luis Carlos Galan in 1989



SET / Carnations / 100 x 150 cm / Oil on Canvas / 2017 From the scenes depicting the funeral and open casket of the late presidential candidate Luis Carlos Galan in 1989



SET / Photo / 150 x 250 cm / Oil on canvas / 2017 From the scene depicting the death of Pablo Escobar in a tile roof in the city of Medellin by the joint forces of colombian pólice and DEA agents



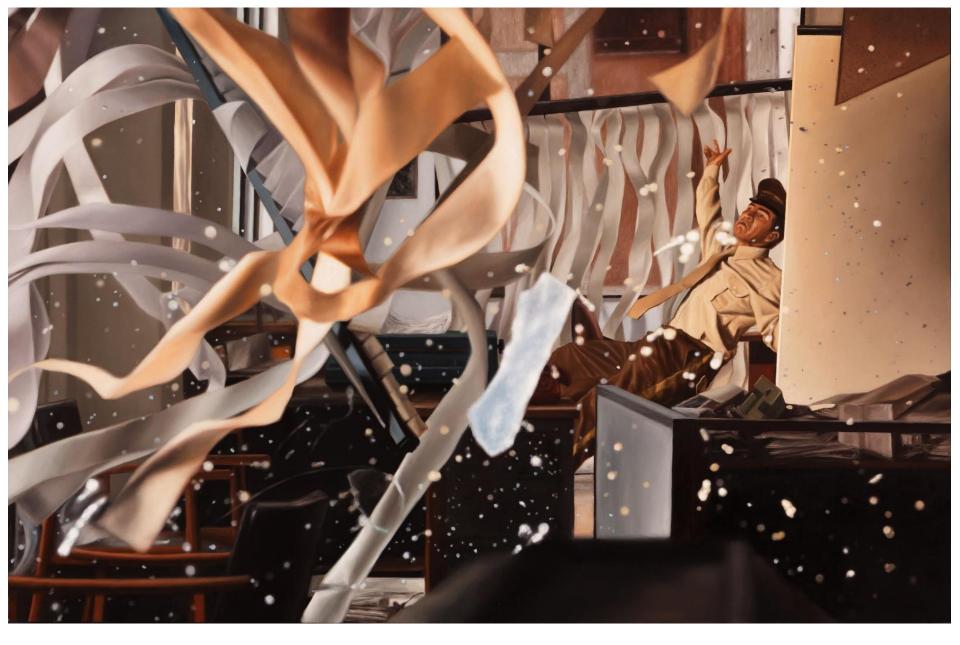
SET / Task Force / $106 \times 160 \text{ cm}$ / Oil on Canvas / 2017 From the scenes depicting the death of pablo Escobar in the city of Medllin in 1993



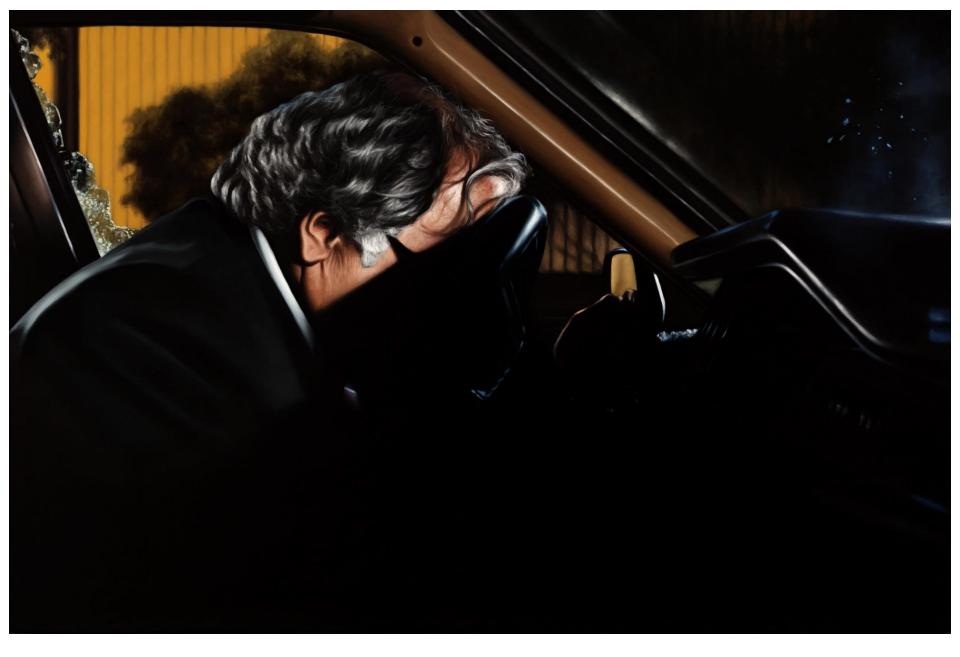
SET / Don Guillermo Cano / 106 x 160 cm / Oil on Canvas / 2017 From the scenes depicting the late editor in chief of El Espectador newpaper Guillermo Cano.



SET / Journal I / 86 x 130 cm / Oil on Canvas /2017 From the scenes depicting the car bomb atack on the head quarters of El Espectador newspaper by the Medellin Cartel in 1989



SET / Journal II / 86 x 130 cm / Oil on Canvas /2017 From the scenes depicting the car bomb atack on the head quarters of El Espectador newspaper by the Medellin Cartel in 1989



SET / Dark Red Subaru / 95 x 145 cm / Oil on Canvas / 2017 From the scenes depicting the murder of chief editor of El Espectador newspaper Guillermo Cano in 1986



SET / Bus Bomb / 86 x 130 cm / Oil on Canvas / 2017 From the scenes depicting the Bomb attack by the Medellin Cartel against the head quarters of the Security Administration Department D.A.S in 1989



SET / God`s Minute / 95 x 145 cm / Oil on Canvas / 2017 From the scenes depicting father Garcia Herreros, main negotiator of Pablo Escobar`s surrender in 1991



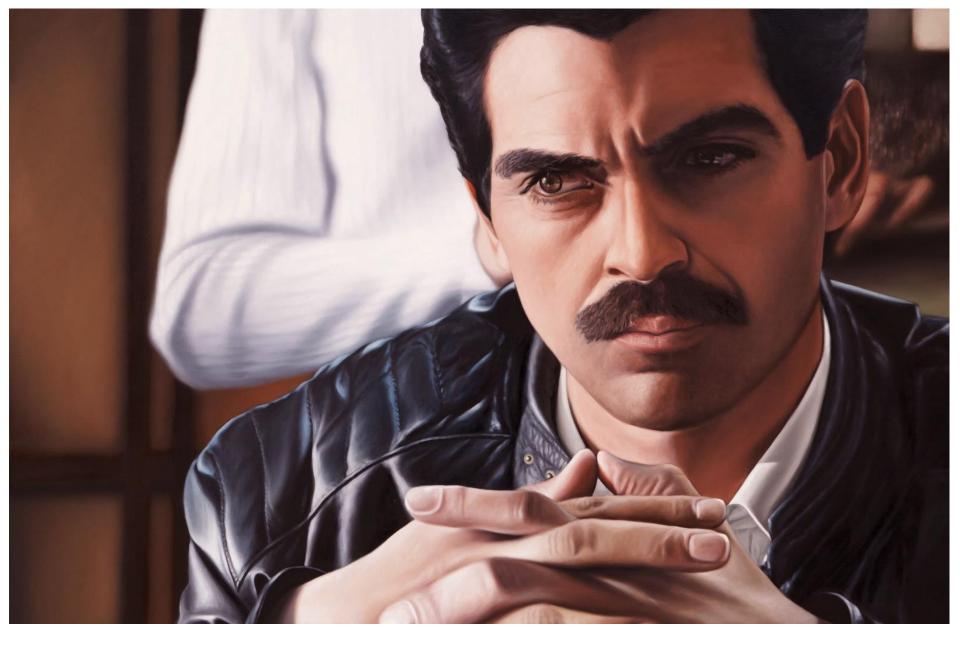
SET / Airport / 100 x 183 cm / Oil on Canvas / 2017 From the scenes depicting the murder of Union Patriotica leftwing party presidential candidate Bernardo Jaramillo in 1990



SET / letters / 100 x 150 cm / Oil on Canvas / 2017 From the secenes depicting the kidnapping of journalist Diana Turbay in 1990



SET / Justices $\,$ / 106 x 160 cm / Oil on Canvas / 2017 From the secenes depicting the siege of the justice palace by M-19 guerrilla movement in 1985



SET / Pizarro / 86 x 130 cm / Oil on Canvas / 2017 From the scenes depicting the late presidential candidate for the M-19 political party Carlos Pizarro before his murder by state security operatives in 1990



ESCOBAR, EL PATRON DEL MAL, IS A FICTION SERIES, PRODUCT OF THE FREE ADAPTATION OF THE BOOK "PABLO'S PARABLE", BY ALONSO SALAZAR; NEWS PAPER ARTICLES AND FROM PUBLIC KNOWN FACTS REGARDIN NATIONAL HISTORY, THE HISTORICAL FACTS ARE SURROUNDED OF FICTIONAL CHARACTERS AND DIALOGUES, THAT ALLOW THE RECREATION AND FILL OF UNDOCUMENTED SITUATIONS

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NEWSPAPER LIBRARY is a series of oil paintings interventions over 80's and 90's newspaper digital prints, a selection of headlines from the Colombian Newspaper El Espectador. These pages record the articles and photos of some of the most significant events of the time, later recreated by the TV series. The selected pages match the images in the paintings, whereas the original visual source from the newspapers are covered with the colors corresponding to the pantones of the pictures, censored images that veil the visual referents used to portray the scenes in TV. This particular phenomenon of updating/replacement undertaken by entertainment implies a negotiation with imagery, where visual referents become viable for prime time viewers, the power of primary sources is cleansed and broader audiences are, therefore, allowed to look at violence as a comprehensible variable. Embellishing visuality, in order to enhance its public consumption, is a strategy this work replicates. As it incorporates a smaller yet similar scale to that of television, which comprises color theory criteria of balance, and chromatic familiarities to guarantee a friendly relationship toward headlines and chronicles of war and murder.



Camión-bomba a las 6:43 a.m.

Bogotá. Grandes destrozos en El Espectador y de esta casa editora en

Un presentimiento que se volvió realidad

contra El Espectador, sino contra la libertad de

PARA QUE EL CAMBIO SIGA SU MARCHA

EL INSTITUTO DE CREDITO TERRITORIAL

Falleció presidente de la Asamblea de Santander, herido en atentado



CONVENCION DISTRITAL BOGOTA NECESITA UN GOBIERNO DE CONVERGENCIA

Septiembre 3 - 9:00 a.m. - Concejo de Bogotá



Confirmation. Lineary Public A. Torres ELESPECTADOR BOGOTA CLASIFICADOS

El presidente habló al amanecer

Continuará campaña contra el terror"

Jaime Bustos Luque & Asociados ASESORES Y CONSULTORES DE IMPUESTOS

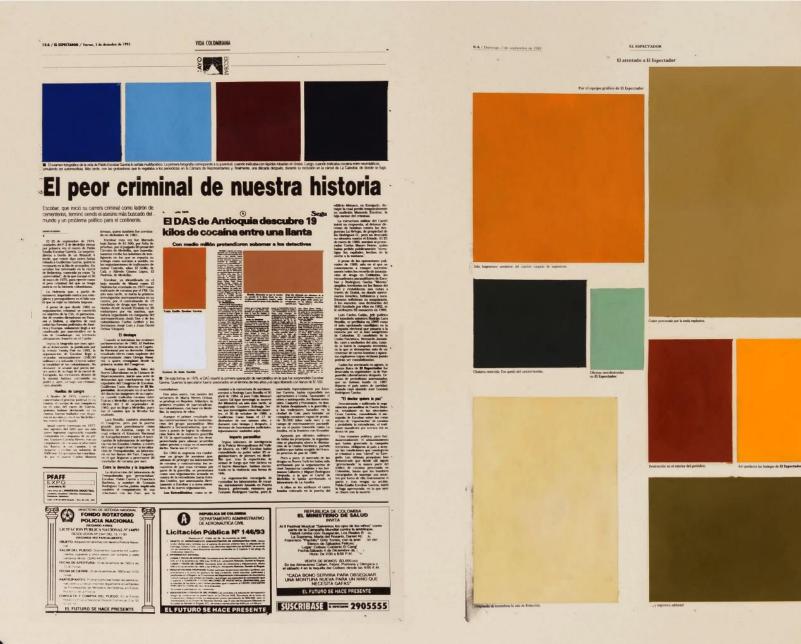
COMIDA SANTANDEREANA



Suspenden remates de ganado en la Sabana de Bogotá por aftosa

PARA LAS MADRES EN HIT Vestidos para Damas

EL GIMNASIO MODERNO





... y cayó Escobar

En el barrio La América, de Medellin, fue abatido ayer el enemigo público númer oun de Colomba. El Grupo de Bissqueda se apuntó el mayor de los éxitos contra el carte del narcotrático. Reconocimiento del presidente César Gavira Trujillo, su mínistro de Delensa y los altos mandos de las Fuerzas Armadas.

23 años de maldad

Lo acusaban desde "borrador de pruebas" y ialador de

INTERCONTINENTAL DE AVIACION



Clinton renueva cooperación

Aplazado



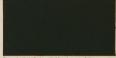




El Gobierno reafirma lucha contra el narcoterrorismo

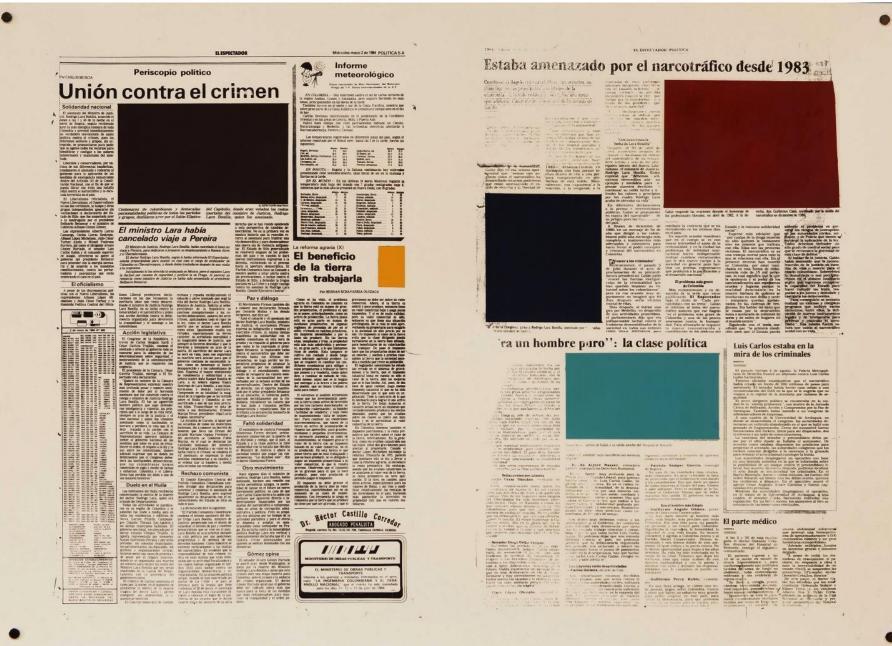


Destruyeron todo,



La cultura nacional repudia el atentado





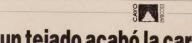












En un tejado acabó la carrera del capo

A las 3.20 de la tarde, en un golpe de mano, el Bioque de Busqueda lo abaitó junto con uno de sus guardaespaldas. El miércoles había cumplido 44 años.

Vernet, 3 de diciembre de 1993/ EL ESPECTABOR / S-A

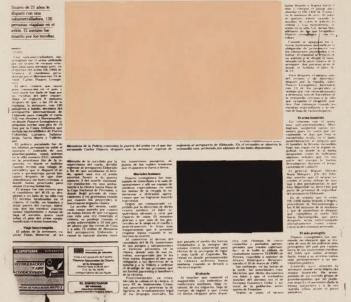


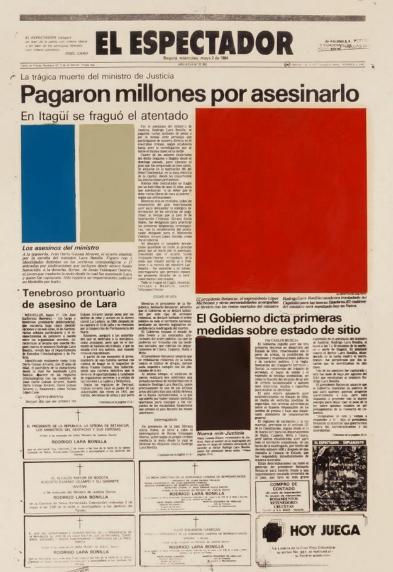
El cadáver fue plenamente reconocido por su madre

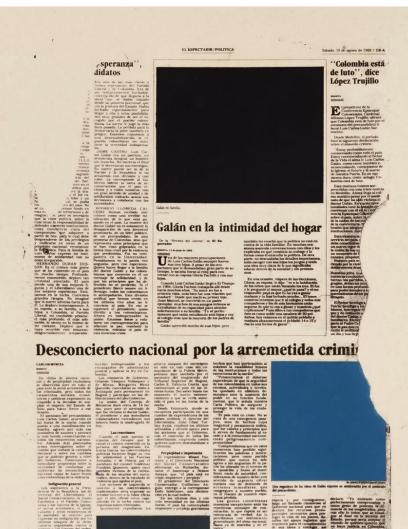


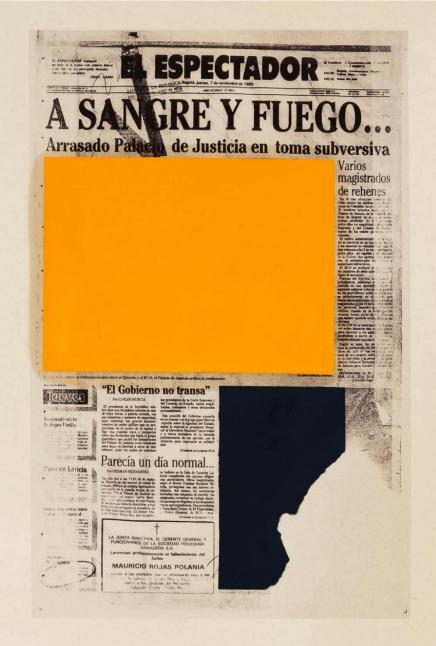


13 tiros recibió Pizarro Leongómez

















Bogotá se superó ante el terror

Los arentados que soportó la capital durante una década parecen haber quedado atrás con la muerte de Escobar. De todas formas la ciudad sempre siguio adelante





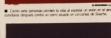




Marzo 22, 1990. Se el pueste serce se Departe es acesticade de la El 12 de mayo de 1990. En vepera del dia de la madre, una bomba espisio en el Barno Niba. Republica par la blacien Principios.







"Que la vida no sea asesinada en primavera"

El viernes 20 de abril, Carlos Fuzarro Leougismez se dirigió por última ve a sus ropartidarios, y al país en general, por medio de los casales de televisión. Durante los quince minutos storgados por el Cousejo de T.V. y el Consejo Electoral, el candidato presidencial por el M 19, se refirió

Vaccours, 27 de skull de 1980 / 12-A

"No me importa mi suerte, sino la del país"

















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Bogotá, Oct 31 de 1980, Lives and Works in Bogotá

Master in Visual Arts (2010) Fine Arts undergraduate (2004) from the National University of Colombia, Assistant to the director and chief of the education department of the National University Arts Museum (2002 - 2003). From 2004 he has participated in a number of solo and group exhibitions in institutions, museums and galleries mostly in Colombia, Member of the Maski Collective (2005)(www.maski.laveneno.org with Bogota based artists Camilo Ordoñez and Jairo Suarez. Both individually and collectively has been awarded with the National creation grant of the Ministry of Culture of Colombia (2005, 2007. 2015) the Patrimony District Institute Grant (2008) Gilberto Alzate Avendaño Foundation and Bank of the Republic Art Museum Grant- El Parqueadero Laboratory (2010) In 2008 He received the Scholarship for Outstanding graduate students from the National University of Colombia and held the position of assistant faculty member from 2008 to 2010, in that same year he received the a grant for projects development and exhibition by The District Culture Institute and Santa Fe Gallery in Bogotá, In 2018 he granted with the IX Luis Caballero award by that same institution.

His work is part of the Museum of Antioquia, Pereira Art Museum and Miguel Urrutia MAMU permanent collections