



Rubén Aguirre

CV

Select solo and two person exhibitions

- 2022** Tectonic Reflections, National Museum of Mexican Art, Chicago, IL
- 2017** Segmented, Spotlight Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2017** Lucky Strike, Rubén Aguirre and Howard Sherman, Mill Contemporary, Santa Fe, NM
- 2016** New Paintings, Rubén Aguirre and Victor Lopez, Matthew Rachman Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2015** Linements, Dorothea Thielke Gallery, South Suburban College, South Holland, IL
- 2012** Between the overlap, Rubén Aguirre and Won Kim, Aisle 1 Gallery, St. Louis, MO
- 2009** No Such Thing As Separate Events, Anode Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2004** Recycles, Four White Walls Gallery, Phoenix, AZ

Select group exhibitions

- 2021** Atomic 13, Vertical Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2020** Subliminally subjective, Chicago Truborn, Chicago, IL
- 2019** Sequences, Rubén Aguirre, Daniel Burnett, David Fratau, Chicago Truborn, Chicago, IL
- 2019** Love Letter, All Star Press, Chicago, IL
- 2018** Indy Windy, A love story, South Shore Arts Center for Visual and performing Arts, Munster, IN
- 2017** Geometric Complexions, Zhou B Art Center, Chicago, IL
- 2016** Not Just Another Pretty Face, Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago, IL
- 2015** Graffiti Imagery in Contemporary Art, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL
- 2014** Artmageddon, Vertical Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2014** Form: Art+Floral Geometric, Room 1520, Chicago, IL
- 2014** Practical Geometry, Galerie F, Chicago, IL
- 2014** Rhythm Nations: Transitional Hip Hop in the gallery, on the street, and on the stage, IDEA Space at Colorado College, Colorado Springs, CO
- 2013** Paint, Paste, Sticker: Chicago Street Art, Chicago Cultural Center, Chicago, IL
- 2013** Outside In: The Mexican-American Street Art Movement in Chicago, National Museum of Mexican Art, Chicago, IL
- 2013** Post Graffiti Abstracts, Primary Gallery, Indianapolis, IN
- 2013** Has Beens and Wannabes, Zhou B Art Center, Chicago, IL
- 2012** Alphabet Soup, Galerie F, Chicago, IL
- 2012** Medley, Chicago Urban Art Society, Chicago, IL
- 2011** Show me your tax bracket, Aisle 1 Gallery, St. Louis, MO

Mural Commissions

- 2021** Janesville Performing Arts Center, Janesville, WI
- 2021** Google, Mountain View, CA
- 2021** Starbucks, 5300 N. Clark, Chicago, IL
- 2021** Starbucks, 3356 N. Lincoln, Chicago, IL

2020 820 Davis, Evanston Mural Arts Program, Evanston, IL
2020 Murals and More, Cedar Rapids, IA
2019 EQ Office, 350 N. Orleans, Chicago, IL
2019 Southbank Park, Chicago, IL
2019 President's Plaza, Chicago, IL
2018 McGraw Hill, Chicago, IL
2018 City of Aurora, Aurora, IL
2018 PSOT, Chicago Public Art Group, Chicago, IL
2018 Adidas Originals Chicago, IL
2017 Year of Public Art, 1200 N. Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, IL
2017 Linked IN Chicago, Chicago, IL
2017 Evanston Mural Arts Program, Evanston, IL
2017 Viva Eastbank, Des Moines, IA
2017 Heartland Alliance 712 W. Diversey, Chicago, IL
2016 Columbia College Chicago, 1104 S. Wabash, Chicago, IL
2016 Wabash Arts Corridor, 525 S. Wabash, Chicago, IL
2016 Active Campaign, 1 N. State, Chicago, IL
2016 Xavier, 625 W. Division, Chicago, IL
2016 Active Campaign, 222 S. Riverside, Chicago, IL
2016 Northwestern University, Evanston, IL
2015 Accent Minded, Chicago, IL
2015 World Chess Hall of Fame, St. Louis, MO
2014 Denver Housing Authority, Denver, CO
2014 IDEA Space at Colorado College, Colorado Springs, CO
2012 1871, Chicago IL

Speaking engagements

2022 College Art Association Annual Conference, Mentoring Beyond the Classroom: The continuing relationship Over Time, Chicago, IL
2020 Stirring the Soul and Shaping the Community: Celebrating Pilsen's original muralists, Cliffdweller's Club, Chicago, IL
2017 Chicago Design Week, Intersection of Art & Place, Chicago, IL
2017 Columbia College Chicago, Hispanic Heritage Month Latinx Alumni Panel, Chicago, IL
2016 Big Walls Confab panel discussion: The future of street art and how it's transforming Chicago's urban landscape, Columbia College Chicago, Chicago, IL
2014 Rhythm Nations: Transitional Hip Hop in the gallery, on the street, and on the stage, IDEA at Colorado College, Colorado Springs, CO
2014 National Communication Association 100th Annual convention: The presence of our pasts: Right to the creative city: Theory and practice in Pilsen public art spaces, Chicago, IL
2013 Street Arts As Public Pedagogy: Learning From The Margins, Evanston Art Center, Evanston, IL
2011 Polymetric: The future of street art culture and capitalism, Murphy Hill Gallery, Chicago, IL

Teaching experience

2017 Lyric Opera Chicago, Empower Youth visual arts instructor, Chicago, IL

2017 Saugatuck Center for the Arts, Growing young Artists' artist in residence, Saugatuck, MI

2016 Place Lab/Arts in public life, St. Laurence board up mural workshop leader, Chicago, IL

2015-16 After School Matters, Assistant mural Instructor, Chicago, IL

2003-04 The M.I.L.L., Residential Treatment Facility: Art Counselor, Rockford, IL

2002 UMOJA/Summer of Service, Mural Instructor, Chicago, IL

2002 Little Black Pearl, Mural Instructor, Chicago, IL

Education

2002 Columbia College Chicago, B.A. Art and Design: concentration in painting

Notable achievements

2022 Feature in New American Paintings #161 Midwest Issue

2022 Scholastic Art and Writing Awards juror

2020-2022 City of Chicago Public Art Prequalified List

2019 Individual Artist Program grant recipient

Clients/partnerships

Linked IN, Google, Adidas Originals, Starbucks, Bon Appetit, Equinox, McGraw Hill, REI, Heartland Alliance, Chicago Artists Coalition, 1871, World Chess Hall of Fame, Young Chicago Authors, Pepsi, and more.