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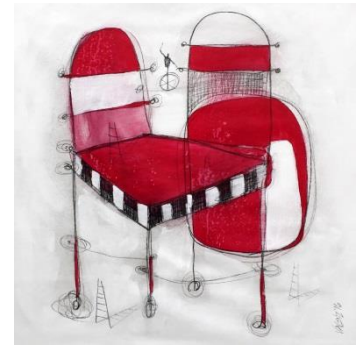
## SERGIO VALENZUELA



Sergio Valenzuela “VALENZ” was born in Guatemala in 1970. Valenz graduated from Universidad Galileo de Guatemala with a major in Communications with a concentration in Education. He is a graphic designer, creative director, publicist, as well as a professor, teaching university courses on creativity, advertising, and graphic design at his alma mater.

His first group show was at the Bienal de Arte Paiz, Guatemala City, in 1992. Since that time Valenz has been featured in over eighty group shows and thirty solo exhibitions in South America and around the world. Among numerous recognitions and awards he was selected as the winner of the “Young Artist” award in 2005, and granted a scholarship to study at the École Nationale Supérieure des Beaux Arts, Valen. His works are exhibited in the French Allegiance of Guatemala, Forma Museum of El Salvador, private collections in Guatemala, Central America, Europe, Mexico, and the United States of America.

Valenz tells stories with everyday objects. “By using elements such as chairs, ladders, beds, monocycles, trapeze artists, swings, machines... it is a way of telling stories about life. The chairs signify, according to the context, opportunities and the patience required for them to step into our lives. The ladders represent our desire to climb, to continue our personal growth. Beds represent periods when we sleep and dream, things we cannot share with anyone else. Playful characters are representative of the uniqueness and singularity of each of the moments that we experience throughout our lifetimes, and the game that life is. Painting is my life.”



Valenz’s instrument is a graphite pencil that reiterates messages across his works. Proposals surge from previous ideas and views, and are redrawn over and over on translucent papers, which offer us the opportunity to construct in our minds the storyline of his works and interpret what their meaning is. These hand-drawn figures, by the nature of his art, take on a life of their own. When combined, they create systems where they interact in an all-encompassing environment. These events occur within the walls of certain living spaces, which nevertheless are part of a greater interconnected system.



### Recognitions and Awards

- 2009 SUMARTE Art Auction recognition award
- 2009 Finalist at the Latin American Art auction commemorating 45 Years of Juannio
- 2008 Recognition Award at the X International Festival by Rozas Botran
- 2007 Selected work for the IX International Festival Rozas Botran
- 2007 Invited artist by the Embassy of Mexico to the Frida Kahlo Tribute Show
- 2006 XV Biennial de Arte Paiz (best artwork among invited artists)
- 2006 Latin American Art Expo (best artwork)
- 2005 Juannio (best artwork)

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## Exhibitions

- 2016 Affordable Art Fair Hong Kong  
2016 Palm Springs Fine Art Fair, California, USA  
2015 Samso Dinamarca Galeria Vandstrup 1771, Solo Exhibition, Guatemala  
2015 Juannio 2015, Museo de Arte Moderno Carlos Mérida, Guatemala  
2015 Galeria del Centro, Solo Exhibition, Fundación G&T, Guatemala  
2015 Heath Gallery, Palm Springs, California, USA  
2015 "La Crisálida" NYFA New York Foundation for the Arts, New York, USA  
2015 Arte en Mayo Fundación Rozas Botrán, Museo de Arte Moderno Carlos Mérida, Guatemala  
2015 Heath Gallery Palm Springs, California, USA  
2015 Galeria Maria Elena Kravetz, Cordoba, Argentina  
2015 Palm Springs Fine Art Fair, California, USA  
2014 Fundación G&T Revista Galeria  
2014 Galería el Attico Artistas y Punto  
2014 Juannio 2014, Museo de Arte Carlos Mérida, Guatemala  
2014 Fundación Rozas Botrán, Museo de Arte Carlos Mérida, Guatemala  
2014 Alberto Linero Gallery, Miami, Florida, USA  
2014 Northern Trust Bank, Exposición Colectiva Latinoamericana, Miami, Florida  
2013 Mujeres en Café Galeria de arte rozas Botran  
2013 exposición individual galería el Attico " DOCE" escultura  
2013 Arte en Mayo, Fundación Rozas Botrán, Museo de Arte Carlos Mérida  
2013 Exposición individual Arte, vino y tecnología Aktiva  
2013 Fundación Rozas Botrán, Museo de Arte Carlos Mérida  
2013 Juannio 2013, Museo de Arte Carlos Mérida  
2013 "Entre Tierras" MUNA museo de Antropología EL Salvador  
2013 FUNSILEC Zona Pradera, Guatemala  
2013 SUMARTE Museo Marte El Salvador  
2013 IDEARTE Museo de Identidad Nacional Honduras  
2013 Galeria VIVA Rozas Botran Caballos de batalla  
2013 Miniaturas Galeria El Tunel Guatemala  
2012 Museo Diego Rivera Anhuacalli Coyoacán México  
2012 Juannio 2012, Museo de Arte Carlos Mérida  
2012 Fundación Rozas Botrán, Museo de Arte Carlos Mérida  
2012 Junkabal  
2012 Fundacion Mario Monteforte Toledo  
2012 Miniaturas en el galería El túnel  
2012 Miami Oceanía Club Key Biskayne  
2012 museo Marte san Salvador SUMARTE  
2012 museo de identidad nacional Honduras IDEARTE  
2011 Salón del Grabado Museo de Arte Carlos Mérida  
2011 Juannio, Museo de Arte Carlos Mérida  
2011 Fundación Rozas Botrán, Museo de Arte Carlos Mérida  
2011 Funsilec  
2011 Junkabal  
2011 Plastica Contemporánea Guatemalteca Encuentros y Tendencias  
Sala Tonalli, Centro Cultural Ollin Yoliztli Mexico DF  
2011 Exposición Colectiva Plastica Contemporánea Guatemalteca Encuentros y Tendencias  
Salas José María Velasco y Rufino Tamayo del Centro Cultural Jardín Borda  
2011 Amor Contemporaneo, Museo Ixchel Guatemala  
2011 Fundación Rozas Botran Inauguración Galeria Paseo Cayalá  
2010 Amor Contemporáneo Museo Ixel  
2010 Subasta Club Rotario  
2010 Fundación Rozas Botrán, Museo de Arte Carlos Mérida  
2010 Finalista, Juannio 2010, Museo de Arte Carlos Mérida  
2010 Funsilec  
2010 Junkabal  
2010 Centroamericana Galeria Códice  
2009 Rotarios Subasta de Arte  
2009 Fundación Rozas Botrán, Museo de Arte Carlos Mérida  
2009 Artista Invitado, Inauguración Galeria Die Augen  
2009 Finalista 45 Años de Juannio. Museo de Arte Moderno Carlos Mérida  
2009 San Salvador Museo Forma Solidarios en el Arte  
2009 San Salvador Museo Marte, Mención de Honor Subasta de arte latinoamericano SUMARTE 2009  
2008 3er Aniversario La casa del Aguila  
2008 Fundación Rosas Botrán, Museo de Arte Carlos Mérida, Mención Honorífica  
2008 Homenaje a Francisco Auyón Galeria CAOS  
2008 San Salvador Museo Forma Unidos por el Arte  
2008 de Miniaturas CAOS  
2007 Rosas Botrán Obra en Catálogo  
2007 Madrid España Jai Alai  
2007 Homenaje a Frida Kalho, Embajada de México y Casa Santo Domingo Antigua Guatemala  
2006 Bienal de Arte Paiz. Parque de la Industria  
2006 Juannio 2006. Museo de Arte Moderno Carlos Mérida  
2006 Galeria CAOS  
2005 Feria Internacional SCAE Asociación de Cafés especiales de Europa, Athens, Greece  
2005 Alianza Francesa Guatemala Primer Premio IV Certamen del Joven Pintor  
2005 Juanio 40 años, Museo de Arte Moderno Carlos Mérida  
2005 Sueños tendidos Galeria de Arte CAOS  
2005 École Nationale Supérieure des Beaux Arts Paris, France  
2003 Inauguración Galeria CAOS  
2001 Parque de la industria, Camara de comercio de Guatemala  
1998 Cours Joubernon, Crest – Francia  
1997 "Casa de la Cultura Antigua - Guatemala", Exposición Itinerante Grupo Tafhú Sheps  
1997 Universidad Rafael Landivar, "Galería de Arte", Primera Exposición Grupo Tafhú Sheps  
1996 Bienal de Arte Paiz, Obra Seleccionada  
1992 Bienal de Arte Paiz, Exposición colectiva

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