

# HOLLIS TAGGART

## RAFAEL SORIANO

### BIOGRAPHY

- 1920** Born in Cidra, Matanzas Province, Cuba  
**2015** Died in Miami

### EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 1963–74** Art Director, *Popular Mechanics Magazine*, Spanish Edition, Editorial America, Miami  
**1967–71** Professor of Design & Composition, Cuban Culture Program, University of Miami, Coral Gables, FL  
**1963–65** Professor of Art, Catholic Welfare Bureau, Miami  
**1952–55** Director, School of Fine Arts of Matanzas, Cuba  
President of the Gallery of Matanzas, Cuba  
**1943–62** Head Professor of Fine Arts & Composition, The School of Fine Arts of Matanzas, Cuba  
Professor of Drawing, The School of Fine Arts of Matanzas, Cuba  
**1943** Co-Founder of The School of Fine Arts of Matanzas, Cuba  
**1942–43** Professor of Drawing at Matanzas High School, Matanzas, Cuba  
**1941** Degree in painting and drawing, National Academy of Fine Arts San Alejandro, Havana, Cuba  
**1939** Degree in sculpture and drawing, National Academy of Fine Arts San Alejandro, Havana, Cuba  
**1935–41** Studied at the National Academy of Fine Arts San Alejandro, Havana, Cuba

### SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2023** *Retrospectiva de Rafael Soriano: El artista como místico*, Casa de América, Madrid, Spain  
**2022–23** *Rafael Soriano | Transcendentalism, Distilled*, LNS Gallery, Miami  
**2019–20** *Rafael Soriano: Cabezas (Heads)*, William Paterson University South and East Galleries, Wayne, NJ. Traveled to Art Museum of the Americas, Organization of American States, Washington, D.C. and the American Museum of the Cuban Diaspora, Miami  
**2017–18** *Rafael Soriano: The Artist as Mystic*, McMullen Museum, Boston College, Boston, MA.  
Traveled to the Long Beach Museum of Art Long Beach, CA and the Patricia & Phillip Frost Art Museum, Florida International University, Curator, Klaudio Rodriguez, Miami  
**2011** *Rafael Soriano: Other Worlds Within, A Sixty Year Retrospective*, Lowe Art Museum, University of Miami, Coral Gables, FL.

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- 2008** *Rafael Soriano: Entre lo mystico y espiritual*, Miami Dade College, West Campus, Miami
- 2004** *Mystical Canvas, A Solo Artist Exhibit of Rafael Soriano*, The Olga and Carlos Saladrigas Gallery, Miami
- 1998** *Rafael Soriano Exhibition*, Gary Nader Fine Arts, Coral Gables, FL
- 1995** *Rafael Soriano: Light's Way*, Retrospective, Museum of Art, Fort Lauderdale, FL.
- 1992** *Rafael Soriano: Light as Utterance*, Gary Nader Fine Arts, Coral Gables, FL
- 1985** *L'exposition de dessins de Rafael Soriano*, Centre Culturel Editart, Galerie Editart, Geneva, Switzerland
- Opus Art Gallery, Coral Gables, FL
- 1984** *Tertulia San Miguel*, Coral Gables, FL
- 1982** Schweyer-Galdo Galleries, Detroit
- 1981** *Rafael Soriano*, Galeria de Arte 9, Lima, Perú
- Rafael Soriano, Pinturas*, Museo de Arte de Medellín, Francisco Antonio Zea, held in conjunction with the *IV Bienal de Arte de Medellín*, Columbia
- 1980** *Rafael Soriano: A One-Man Show*, De Armas Gallery, *Vanidades*, Continental Building, Virginia Gardens, FL.
- 1977** *Rafael Soriano*, Galería de las Américas. San Juan, Puerto Rico
- 1974** *Soriano*, Bacardi Art Gallery, Miami
- 1970** *Rafael Soriano*, Pan American Bank, Miami
- 1969** *Rafael Soriano*, Bacardi Art Gallery, Miami
- 1968** *Rafael Soriano*, Pageant Gallery of the Arts, Downtown Miami Cultural Scene, Miami
- 1960** *Pinturas de Soriano, Arte y Cinema*, Galaría Habana, La Rampa, Havana, Cuba
- 1958** *Rafael Soriano*, McAllister Hotel, Downtown Miami Cultural Scene, Miami
- Rafael Soriano*, One Man Show, Festival de Las Americas, Dinner Key, Coconut Grove, FL
- 1956** *Rafael Soriano*, Galería de Artes Plásticas, Santiago de Cuba
- 1955** *Oleos de Soriano*, Galería de Matanzas, Matanzas, Cuba
- Soriano: Pinturas 1954–1955*, Palacio de Bellas Artes, Ministerio de Educación Instituto Nacional de Cultura, La Habana, Cuba
- 1954** *La Rampa, Rafael Soriano*, Ministerio de Educación, Direccion General de Cultura, Seccion de Bellas Artes, Havana, Cuba
- 1951** *Soriano, Una selección de sus obras*, Presentada por el Grupo Hombre Nuevo, Salones de la Biblioteca Más Luz, Santiago de Las Vegas, Havana, Cuba
- Trece Oleos de Rafael Soriano*, "Marianao Social", Sección de Cultura, Marianao, Havana, Cuba
- 1950** *La Exposición: Rafael Soriano*, Caseta del Parque Central, Havana, Cuba

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- 1948** *Historia del Traje*, Colegio de Abogados, Matanzas, Cuba  
*Exposición de Acuarelas: Rafael Soriano, "Historia del Traje,"* Ateneo de Cárdenas, Matanzas, Cuba
- 1947** *Rafael Soriano*, Lyceum, Calzada y 8, Vedado, Havana, Cuba  
*Rafael Soriano Exposición*, Colegio de Abogados, Matanzas, Cuba

## SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2023** *Art on Paper, "Soriano on Paper,"* Downtown Manhattan Pier 36, New York  
*Together/Apart: Modern and Contemporary Art of the United States*, The Patricia & Phillip Frost Art Museum, Florida International University, Miami  
*You Know Who You Are / Tú Sabes Quién Eres*, EL Espacio 23, Miami
- 2022** *Art Palm Beach*, Palm Beach County Convention Center, Cernuda Arte, West Palm Beach, FL
- 2021** *Sotheby's Contemporary Day Auction*, New York  
*Art Miami*, Cernuda Arte, Miami  
*Art Miami*, Latin Art Core, Miami
- 2020** *The Summer Collective: A Group Exhibition of 20+ Artists*, LNS Gallery, Miami  
*Winter Highlights: A Curated Selection of Works by Contemporary Artists*, LNS Gallery, Miami
- 2018–20** *Connectivity: Selections from the Collection of the Frost Art Museum*, The Patricia & Phillip Frost Art Museum, Miami
- 2017** *Art Miami*, Cernuda Arte, Miami  
*Adiós Utopia: Dreams and Deceptions in Cuban Art since 1950*, Museum of Fine Arts of Houston (MFAH), Houston, TX. Traveled to the Walker Art Center, Minneapolis, MN  
*Between the Real and the Imagined: Abstract Art from Cintas Fellows*, Coral Gables Art Museum, Coral Gables, FL
- 2016** *Masters of Cuba*, Gary Nader Fine Arts, New York  
*Concrete Cuba*, David Zwirner Gallery, New York
- 2015** *Concrete Cuba*, David Zwirner Gallery, London, United Kingdom  
*Streams of Being: Selections from The Art Museum of The Americas*, The Art Gallery, University of Maryland, College Park, MD
- 2014** *Enriching and Engaging-Selected Recent Acquisitions*, Long Beach Museum of Art, Long Beach, CA  
*Wilfredo Lam and the Great Cubans*, Gary Nader Fine Art, Miami
- 2013–16** *Our America: The Latino Presence in American Art*, Smithsonian American Art Museum,

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Washington, D.C. Traveled to Patricia & Phillip Frost Art Museum, Miami; Crocker Art Museum, Sacramento, CA; Utah Museum of Fine Arts, Salt Lake City; Arkansas Art Center, Little Rock and Delaware Art Museum, Wilmington

- 2013** *Pan American Modernism, Avant-Garde Art in Latin America and the United States*, Lowe Art Museum, University of Miami
- Fifty Shades of Grey*, Zadok Gallery, Curator, Bernice Steinbaum, Miami
- 2011** *América Fría: Geometric Abstraction in Latin America (1934–1973)*, Fundación Juan March, Madrid, Spain
- Café XII: The Journeys of Writers and Artists of Cuba*, Sangre de Cristo Art Center, Pueblo, Colorado
- 2010** *Arte Américas: The Art Fair of the Americas*, Beaux Arts Gallery, Miami Beach, FL
- Art Palm Beach*, Palm Beach County Convention Center, Beaux Arts Gallery, West Palm Beach, FL
- Miami International Art Fair*, Miami Beach Convention Center, Beaux Arts Gallery, Miami Beach, FL
- 2008** *Amor al Arte*, Second Exhibit of Cuban Art, Curator, City Hall Municipal Building, Hialeah, FL
- 2007** *Los Cien Años de El Arte*, Commemoration of 100 years of *El Arte* founded in Havana, Cuba, Miami Springs Country Club, Miami Springs, FL
- 2006** *Layers: Collecting Cuban American Art*, University at Buffalo Art Gallery, Center for the Arts, University of New York at Buffalo
- 2005** *27 Artistas Cubanos al Auxilio: An Exhibition and Silent Auction of Contemporary Art in Exile*, Biltmore Hotel, Coral Gables, FL
- 2002** *Arte Concreto: Las Razón de la Poesía, Diez pintores concretos Cubanos*, Museo Nacional de Bellas Artes, Havana, Cuba
- 2001** *Cuban and Cuban-American Art*, Lowe Art Museum, University of Miami, Coral Gables, FL
- 17 + 4*, Barceló Fine Art, Coral Gables, FL
- Hispanic Art Expressions 2001*, Miami-Dade Community College Art Gallery, Interamerican Campus, Miami
- Art Trends: Miami's Trek II, A Decade of Art in Miami in 1970's*, Miami-Dade Community College Art Gallery, Kendall Campus, Miami
- 2000** *Latin American Masters*, Gary Nader Fine Arts, Miami
- Hispanic Art Expressions 2000*, Miami-Dade Community College Art Gallery, Interamerican Campus, Miami
- Sarasota 2000 Biennial*, John and Mable Ringling Museum of Art Sarasota, FL

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- Images and Reflections*. Illinois State Fair, Springfield, IL
- Masters of France and Cuba*, Collins Fine Art, Chicago
- 1999** *Galeria de Arte*, Cuba Nostalgia Fair, Miami
- Durban-Segnini Gallery, Coral Gables, FL
- 1997** *Maestros de la Pintura Cubana*, Gary Nader Fine Arts, Coral Gables, FL
- Artists Odyssey: Cuba-USA*, Amalia Mahoney Gallery, Chicago
- Breaking the Barriers: Selections from the Museum of Art's Permanent Collection*,  
Museum of Art Fort Lauderdale, FL
- 1997–99** *Latin American Artists*, East Tennessee State University, Johnson City, TN. Traveled to Art  
Gallery, Walters State Community College, Morristown, TN; Sarah Moody Gallery,  
University of Alabama; Tuscaloos Gallery, Louisiana Tech University, Ruston; Turman Art  
Gallery, Indiana State University, Terre Haute; McDonough Museum of Art, Youngstown  
University, OH; Mesnaros Gallery, University of West Virginia, Morgantown; West  
Tennessee Cultural Arts Center and Jackson State Community College, Jackson; The Self  
Family Arts Center, Hilton Head, SC and Hollywood Arts and Culture Center, Hollywood, FL
- Latin American Artists*, Durban Segnini Gallery Opening, Miami
- 1996** *Latin American Masters III*, Gary Nader Fine Arts, Coral Gables, Florida, International  
Tour. Traveled to Galería Tomás Andreu, Santiago, Chile; Museo Pedro de Osma, Lima,  
Perú; Galería Gary Nader, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic and Museo de las  
Américas, San Juan, Puerto Rico
- Rencontres*, Editart Gallery, Geneva, Switzerland
- 1995** *VII Bienal de Pintura y Escultura*, Galeria 1–2–3, San Salvador, El Salvador
- Latin American Masters II*, Gary Nader Fine Arts, Coral Gables, FL
- 1994** American Riviera Art Fair International, Sheraton Bal Harbour, FL
- 1993** *Hispanic Art in Orlando*, City Hall Gallery, Orlando, FL
- Art Miami, International Art Exposition, Miami
- Director's Choice*, Gary Nader Fine Arts, Coral Gables, FL
- Cuban Artists of the Twentieth Century*, Museum of Art Ft. Lauderdale, FL
- Feria Iberoamericana de Arte*, Caracas, Venezuela, Gary Nader Fine Arts, Coral Gables, FL
- VI Bienal Artistas Internacionales*, Galeria 1–2–3, San Salvador, El Salvador
- Editart Gallery, Ville Du Parc, Geneva, Switzerland
- Small Works*, Gary Nader Fine Arts, Coral Gables, FL
- Latin American Artists*, Vista Gallery, New York
- Serigraphs from Contemporary Artists*, Durbán-Segnini Gallery, Miami
- Art Against AIDS IV*, Miami

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- 1992** *Eco-Art*, Museum of Modern Art, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil  
*Rafael Soriano and Marcos Alvarez*, Gary Nader Fine Art, Coral Gables, FL  
*Feria Iberoamericana de Arte (FIA)*, Gary Nader Arts, Caracas, Venezuela  
*Cuba-USA, The First Generation*, Florida International University, Miami
- 1991** *Art Miami*, International Art Exposition, Picasso Art Gallery, Miami  
*Art Chicago*, International Art Exposition, Galerie Thomas Monahan, Chicago
- 1990** *Twenty-Five in Miami*, Art Gallery, Miami Dade Community College South, Miami
- 1989** *Spanish Panorama*, Erie Street Gallery, Chicago  
*Les 3 Amériques á Tonneins*, Musée du Luxembourg á Paris, France
- 1988** *¡Mira! Canadian Club Hispanic Art Tour, III*, Los Angeles Municipal Art Gallery, Los Angeles. Traveled to Meadows Museum, Southern Methodist University, Dallas; Bass Museum of Art, Miami Beach, FL; Terra Museum of Art, Chicago and Museo del Barrio, New York  
*El Diario de Jose Marti*, Anisi Art Gallery, Miami  
*Expresiones Hispanicas*, The Coors National Hispanic Art Exhibit & Tour, Mexican Cultural Institute, San Antonio, TX. Traveled to Southwest Museum, Los Angeles; Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities Arvada, CO; Triton Museum of Art, Santa Clara, CA; Millicent Rogers Museum, Taos, NM and Center for the Fine Arts, Miami. Won First Prize in this exhibition for painting titled, "The Liturgy of Silence"  
*Three Generations of Cuban Art*, Place Des Arts Gallery, Mayfair in the Grove, Coconut Grove, FL  
*It's Been Surreal, An Overview of Contemporary Surrealist Art*, The Karin Long Gallery, Long Beach, CA
- 1987** *Oeuvres sélectionnées: Peintures, collages, objets, sculptures*, Centre Culturel Editart, Geneva, Switzerland  
*Cuban Artists in North America (Artistes Cubains en Amérique du Nord)*, National Library Gallery of Canada, Ottawa Ontario, Canada  
*Latin American Treasures from Miami's Private Collections*, Center for the Fine Arts (Now PAMM), Miami  
*Maestros Contemporáneos Latinoamericanos*, Galeria 1–2–3, San Salvador, El Salvador  
*Ceramics as Canvas*, Miami Main Library, Metro-Dade Cultural Center, Miami  
*Colección Rafael Cassalins*, Cuban Museum of Arts and Culture, Miami  
*Grand Prix D'Acquitaine '87*, Salon international de Peinture, Tonneins Art Museum, Tonneins, France  
*Artistas de Miami*, Galeria Dos, Miami

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*Recent Developments in Latin American Drawings*, The Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago

*Subasta del Museo Cubano*, Cuban Museum of Arts and Culture, Miami

*Outside Cuba/Fuera de Cuba*, Zimmerli Art Museum Rutgers University, New Brunswick,

NJ. Traveled to the Museum of Contemporary Hispanic Art (MoCHA) New York; Art Museum, Miami University, Oxford, OH; Museo de Arte de Ponce, Puerto Rico; Center for the Fine Arts, Miami (Now PAMM), FL and College of Fine Arts, Atlanta

*Art of Cuba in Exile*, Metropolitan Museum and Fine Arts Center (Now PAMM), Coral Gables, FL

*Contemporary Cuban Artists*, The Embassy Gallery of International Art, Coral Gables, FL

**1986** *Hispanic Printmakers*, Miami-Dade Community College, North Campus, Miami

*The Hispanic Heritage*, The Gallery of Fine Arts, Coral Gables, FL

*Hot Off the Press: Mono-Prints*, Barbara Gillman Gallery, Miami

*VIII Salon de Otoño*, Guy Perez-Cisneros, *Federación de Pintores y Escultores Cubanos*, Koubek Center, Miami

V Bienal Iberoamericana de Arte, Instituto Cultural Domecq, México City

*A Group of Local Cuban Artists*, Cristissa Art Gallery, Miami

*Opening Exhibition*, Acanthus Gallery, Coral Gables, FL

**1985** *Arte Hispanoamericano de Hoy*, De Armas Gallery, Miami

*Exposition d'oeuvres originales de 50 artistes*, Centre Culturel Editart, Geneva, Switzerland

*Alloyage 85*, SIBI Cultural Center, Miami

*Rafael Soriano, L'exposition de dessins*, Galerie Editart, Geneva, Switzerland

*5 Peintres: Oeuvres sur papier*, Atelier Rencontres Geneve, Editart D. Blanco, Geneva, Switzerland

*Le Petit Format*, SIBI Art Gallery, Miami

**1984** *Young Collectors of Latin American Art*, Metropolitan Museum and Arts Center, Coral Gables, FL

*Rafael Soriano and Gay Garcia*, Bacardi Art Gallery & The Cuban Museum of Art and Culture, Miami

*Muestra Internacional*, Galería 1–2–3, San Salvador, El Salvador

*Contemporary American and European Painters, Sculptors and Photography*, Palm Beach Art Galleries, Houston, TX

**1983** *Homenaje a Joan Miró*, Centre Culturel Editart, Geneva, Switzerland

2<sup>nd</sup> Latin American Exhibition, De Armas Gallery, Miami

*Major Cuban Artists*, Forma Gallery, Coral Gables, FL

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- Selections Pau-Llosa Collection*, Cuban Museum of Arts and Culture, Miami
- 1982** Forum International Gallery of Art, Atlanta  
*Hispanic Heritage Week*, Miami-Dade Community College, Miami  
Schweyer Galdo Galleries, Dallas  
Kourous Gallery, New York  
*The Friends of Planita*, La Petite Galerie, Miami  
*Exhibition of Two Famous Painter, Maria Luisa Pacheco & Rafael Soriano*, Tosta Gallery,  
Mayfair in the Grove, Coconut Grove, FL  
*Second Latin American Art Exhibition*, De Armas Gallery, Miami
- 1981** *Contemporary Cuban Paintings*, Moss Gallery, San Francisco  
Barbara Gillman Gallery, Miami  
*Director's Choice, Master Works by World Artists*, Schweyer-Galdo Galleries,  
Birmingham, MI  
*Absoute Drawings, a Selection of Significant Works on Paper*, Forma Gallery, Coral  
Gables, FL  
*Contemporary Latin American Art*, Schweyer-Galdo Galleries, Birmingham, MI  
IV Bienal de Arte, Medellin, Colombia  
Sotheby Parke Bernet at the Vizcaya Museum, Miami (March 30–April 2, 1981)  
Metropolitan Museum and Arts Center, Coral Gables, FL  
*The Figure in Latin American Art*, Bass Museum of Art, Miami Beach, FL  
*Recent Acquisitions*, Museum of Modern Art of Latin America, OAS, Washington, D.C.
- 1980** *8 Abstract Painters*, Palmas del Mar, Humaco, New York  
*Federacion de Pintores Cubanos*, La Asociación Fraternal Latinoamericana, Miami  
*II Bienal Iberoamerican de Arte*, Instituto Cultural Domecq, México City  
Barbara Gillman Gallery, Miami  
Meeting Point Art Gallery, Coral Gables, FL
- 1979** De Armas Gallery, Vanidades Continental Building, Miami  
*1<sup>st</sup> Bienal of Miami*, Cuban Museum of Arts and Culture, Miami  
*Art Auction Exhibition | 1979*, Public Television, Wpbt2, South Florida  
Meeting Point Art Gallery, Coral Gables, FL  
*The Cuban Exhibition*, De Armas Gallery, Miami
- 1978** *Exposición de Pintura Y Escultura. Semana De La Hispanidad*, Bacardi Art Gallery, Miami  
*Hispanic–American Artists of the United States*, Museum of Modern Art of Latin  
America, Organization of American States, OAS, Washington, D.C .  
*Contemporary Latin American Art, The Esso Collection of the Lowe Art Museum and Latin*



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*American Artists of the Southeastern U.S.*, The Lowe Art Museum, Coral Gables, FL

*Latin American Artists of the Southeastern United States*, Lowe Art Museum, University of Miami

De Armas Gallery, Miami

*Latin American Artists Exhibition*, Harmon Gallery, Naples, FL

*Pintura Contemporánea Cubana | Contemporary Cuban Painting*, Miami-Dade

Community College New World Center Campus, Miami

*29<sup>th</sup> Annual Exhibition and Symposium*, Harmon Gallery, Naples, FL

*The Fifth Annual Exhibition of Cuban Painters*, Miami-Dade Community College, Miami

*Gala, Grupo de Artistas Latinoamericanos*, Barbara Gillman Fine Art, Miami

*Trade Fair of the Americas*, Miami

**1977**

*Rafael Soriano & McAllister-Kelly*, Barbara Gillman Fine Art, Miami

*Re-Encuentro Cubano 1977*, Cuban Museum of Arts and Culture, Miami

Galería Juana Mordó, Madrid, Spain

*Arte Actual de Iberoamerica*, Instituto de Cultura Hispánica, Centro Cultural Villa de

Madrid, Madrid, Spain

Galería 1–2–3, San Salvador, El Salvador

*Homenaje a la Pintura Latinoamericana*, Sala Nacional de Exposiciones, Patronato Pro-

Cultura, V Festival Internacional de Música, San Salvador, El Salvador

*18 Contemporary Miami Artists*, Financial Federal Savings & Loan Association, Miami

*Pintura Latinoamerica*, Metropolitan Museum and Arts Center, Miami

*GALA, 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Exhibition*, Grove House Gallery, Miami

*17<sup>th</sup> Annual Fine Art Show*, Museum of Science, Miami

**1976**

*Cuban Artists: 4<sup>th</sup> Year at the University of Miami*, Federation of Cuban Students, Miami

*Latest Works Exhibition*, Art and Curiosity Shop, Miami (

*Retrospectiva de Pintura Cubana*, Re-Encuentro Cubana, Museo Cubano de Arte y

Cultura, Miami

*Artistas Hispanos*, Miami-Dade Community College, North Campus, Miami

Editart Galleries Exhibition, Miami

*16<sup>th</sup> Annual Fine Art Show*, Museum of Science, Miami

**1975**

Yolanda Gallery, Chicago

*Colección Martínez-Cañas, Arte Latinoamericano*, Metropolitan Museum and Arts

Center, Miami

*Tributo a las Cubanas, Artes Plásticas*, ABDALA, Koubek Center, University of Miami

*15<sup>th</sup> Annual Fine Art Show*, Museum of Science, Miami

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- 1<sup>st</sup> Exhibition of Modern Painting by Cuban Artists*, Continental National Bank of Miami, Miami
- 1974** *Exposición Homenaje al Pintor*, Domingo Ramos, Día de las artes plásticas, Koubek Center Federation Cuban Teacher's Fine Arts, Inc, University of Miami  
*Exhibición de arte*, Grupo Latino Americano de Pintores, Main Public Library, Downtown Miami Cultural Scene  
*Images of Cuba*, Federación de Estudiantes Cubanos, University of Miami  
*GALA, 5<sup>th</sup> Exhibition*, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL  
*16<sup>TH</sup> Annual HORTT Memorial*, Juried Exhibition, Museum of the Art Fort Lauderdale, FL  
*14<sup>th</sup> Annual Fine Art Show*, Museum of Science, Miami  
*11<sup>th</sup> Annual Major Florida Artists Show*, Harmon Gallery, Naples, FL
- 1973** *Latin American Exhibition*, Museum of Art, University of Oregon, Eugene, OR  
*Latin American Artists Exhibition*, Harmon Gallery, Naples, FL  
*Mainstreams of Cuban Culture*, University of Miami, Coral Gables, FL  
*Sixth Annual Membership Exhibition*, Miami Art Center, Miami  
*Fifth Annual Pan American Art Exhibition*, Miami  
*II Festival de Arte Cubano*, Cuban Cultural Center of New York, New York  
*GALA, 4<sup>th</sup> Exhibition*, Grupo de Artistas Latino Americanos, Barcardi Art Gallery  
*15<sup>TH</sup> Annual HORTT Memorial*, Juried Exhibition, Museum of the Art Fort Lauderdale, FL  
*13<sup>th</sup> Annual Fine Art Show*, Museum of Science, Miami  
*Cuban Painters*, Asociación Fraternal Latinoamericana, Miami  
*A Festival of Cuban Art*, The Cuban Cultural Center of New York, New York
- 1972** *Pan American Art Exhibition, Permanent Collection of Paintings, Graphics and Sculpture*, Miami Museum of Modern Art, Miami  
*14<sup>TH</sup> Annual HORTT Memorial*, Museum of the Art Fort Lauderdale, FL  
*IV Annual Pan American Art Exhibition*, Sponsored by the Archdiocese and Consular Corps of Miami, Miami Public Library, Miami; Traveled to Museum of Modern Art, Miami Invitational Art Show, YM-YWHA, Miami  
*Pintura Cubana*, Miami Metropolitan Museum and Arts Center, UNESCO International Council, Miami  
*New in '72, Contemporary Original Graphics and Reproductions*, Miami Public Library, Miami
- 1971** *GALA, 3<sup>rd</sup> Exhibition*, Grupo de Artistas Latino Americanos, Gloria Luria Gallery, Miami  
*Third Annual Pan American Art Exhibition*, Miami Public Library, Consular Corps of Miami and the Archdiocese of Miami

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*Pintura Cubana*, Galería Internacional, Caracas, Venezuela

*13<sup>th</sup> Annual HORTT Memorial Exhibition*, Museum of the Art Fort Lauderdale, FL

*Second Annual Art Exhibition*, Temple Beth Am, Miami

Invitational Art Show, YM-YWHA, Miami

**1970**

*32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Exhibition of Contemporary American Paintings*, Jury of Selection and Awards, John I. H. Baur, Director, Whitney Museum, New York, The Society of the Four Arts, Palm Beach, FL

*GALA, 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Exhibition*, Bacardi Art Gallery, Miami

*The Latin Show*, Grove House, Coconut Grove, FL

*Second Annual Pan American Art Exhibition*, Miami Public Library, Sponsored by the The Consular Corps of Miami and The Office of Latin Affairs of the Archdiocese of Miami, Miami (1st prize for *Dinamismo especial*)

Lowe Art Museum, University of Miami

Asociación Fraternal Latinoamericana, Miami

*Pintura Cubana de Ayer y de Hoy*, Tony's Gallery, Coral Gables, FL

**1969**

*Exhibition of Paintings and Sculptures*, The Nest of Owls Art Gallery, North Miami

*31<sup>st</sup> Annual Exhibition of Contemporary American Paintings*, The Society of the Four Arts, West Palm Beach, FL

*First Annual Fine Arts Exhibition*, Temple Beth Am, Miami

*GALA, 1<sup>st</sup> Exhibition, 6 Latin American Painters of Miami*, Bacardi Art Gallery, Miami

*2nd Annual Membership Exhibition*, Miami Art Center, Miami

*Los Nuestros: pintura/escultura*, Asociación Fraternal Latinoamericana, Miami

**1968**

*First Annual Membership Exhibition*, The Miami Art Center, Miami

*Modern Concepts in Painting and Drawing*, The Pageant Gallery, Miami

*6 Artistas Latinoamericanos: McAllister, Soriano, Lopez, Rivera-Garcia, Salinas,*

*Consuegra*, Sala "Enrique Acuña," Escuela Nacional de Artes Plásticas, Guatemala, Central America

*10<sup>th</sup> Annual HORTT Memorial Exhibition*, Fort Lauderdale Museum of the Arts, Fort Lauderdale, FL

*Exposición de Arte del Grupo de Profesores del Programa de Cultura Cubana*, Koubek Center, University of Miami

**1967**

*Annual Show*, Gallery Art+Art, Miami

*1967 Latin American Exhibition of Sculptures and Paintings by Artists Argentina, Columbia, Cuba, Puerto Rico, Spain and other Latin Countries*, John Fitzgerald Kennedy Library, Hialeah, FL

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- Cuatro Generaciones de Pintores Cubanos, 1895–1940*, University of Miami, Division of Continuing Education, *Cuban Culture Program*, Koubeck Center, Curator, Martha de Castro, Coral Gables, FL
- 1966** *Primera Exposicion Simultanea de Arte Y Poesia*, Asociacion Fraternal Latinoamericana, Inc., Miami
- KunstLichtKunst*, Stedelijk Van Abbe Museum, Director, Jean Leering, Eindhoven, Netherlands
- 1965–66** *20<sup>th</sup> Southeastern Annual Exhibition*, High Museum of Art, Atlanta Traveled to Columbus Museum of Arts, Columbus, GA; Telfair Academy of Arts & Sciences, Savannah, GA Dulin Gallery of Art, Knoxville, TN; Southwest Georgia Art Association, Albany, GA and Interama Exhibition of Arts, Miami
- 1965** *Cuban Paintings*, Museum of Daytona Beach, FL
- Cuban Paintings*, Miami Dade County Junior College, Miami
- Paintings by Cuban Artists*, Miami Museum of Science and Natural History in conjunction with New York's Oscar Cintas Foundation, Miami
- 1964** *First National Watercolor Exhibition*, The Dulin Gallery of Art, Knoxville, TN
- Florida State Fair | Fine Arts Exhibition*, Tampa Art Institute. Traveled to Ringling Museum of Art, Sarasota, FL; Norton Gallery and School of Art, West Palm Beach, FL and Jacksonville Art Museum, Jacksonville, FL
- 1963** *First National Painting Exhibition*, Lowe Art Gallery, University of Miami, Coral Gables, FL. Traveled to Burdine's Gallery, Miami
- 1960** *Exposición de Profesores y Graduados de la Escuela de Bellas Artes de Matanzas, Dia de las Artes Plásticas*, Matanzas, Cuba
- 10 Pintores Concretos*, Biblioteca Publica "Ramon Guiteras," Matanzas, Cuba
- 1959** *10 Pintores Concretos*, Galeria de Arte, Color Luz, Vedado, Havana, Cuba
- Exposicion Artes y Industrias*, Liceo de Matanzas, Cuba
- Galería de Matanzas Aporte de 15 Artistas al 1er Salon Anual, De Pintura, Escultura y Grabado*, Palacio de Bellas Artes, Habana Año de la Liberación, Havana, Cuba
- Salón Anual Nacional de Pintura, Escultura y Grabado*, Palacio de Bellas Artes, Havana, Cuba
- Primera Exposición de Artes y Artesanias Cubanas del INIT*, Moumento Marti-Plaza Civica, Havana, Cuba
- 1958** *Exposición Aniversario pintura y escultura cubana*, Galería de Arte, Color Luz, La Habana, Cuba
- Circulo de Bellas Artes, XXXIX Salon de Bellas Artes*, Havana, Cuba

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- Primera Bienal Interamericana de Pintura y Grabado, Insituto Nacional de Bellas Artes, México
- 1957** *Circulo de Bellas Artes, XXXVIII Salon de Bellas Artes, Havana, Cuba*  
*Exposición Concurso de Pintura, El Arte, Galiano 506, Havana, Cuba*  
*Exposición Pintora, Escultura, Homenaje a MONZON, Galaría Habana, Arte Cinema, La Rampa, La Habana, Cuba*
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*Exposición de Pintura, Escultura y Grabados, Galaría de Arte, Antonio Herr, Ateneo de Trinidad, Cuba*
- 1955** *La Escuela de Artes Plásticas Tarascó de Matanzas, 1er Festival de Arte, Organizado por el Instituto Nacional de Cultura, Palacio de Bellas Artes, Havana, Cuba*  
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*Exposición de Arte Religioso, Galería de Matanzas, Cuba*
- 1954** *IV Exposición Anual de Obras de Profesores de la Escuela de Artes Plásticas de Matanzas, Galería de Matanzas, Cuba*
- 1953** *Primera Exposición-venta de pintura, dibujo y escultura del Matanzas, Tennis Club a Beneficio de Assitencia Social, Matanzas, Cuba*  
*Pintura, Escultura, Ceramica, Retiro Odontologico, La Habana, Cuba*  
*2<sup>DO</sup> Salon Anual Plástica Cubana de Hoy, Homenaje a Jose Marti en el Año del su Nacimiento, Mantanzas, Cuba*  
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- 1950** *Invierno–1950, Escuela de Artes Plásticas de Mantanzas, Sala Permanete de Exposiciones, Matanzas, Cuba*  
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- 1949** *Círculo de Bellas Artes, Exposición Annual de Dibujos, Acuarelas y Grabado, Havana, Cuba*  
*Exposición de Acuarelas, Dibujos-Guaches y Grabados, Centro “La Luz”, San Antonio de Los Baños, Cuba*  
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- 1945** *Exposición del concurso de Carteles de un Congreso Artístico y Literario, Matanzas, Cuba*  
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- 1939** *Primer Congreso de Arte Cubano Nacional, Santiago de Cuba*
- 1938** *Primer Salón de Pintura, Dibujo y Escultura de Matanzas, Presented by “ADAYEM”, Asociación de Artistas y Escritores Matanceros, Matanzas, Cuba*
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- 2019** Miami Mayor, Francis X. Suarez, declared December 1<sup>st</sup> as "Rafael Soriano Day" in Miami  
Coral Gables, Mayor, Vicente Lago, declared December 1<sup>st</sup> as "Rafael Soriano Day" in Coral Gables, Florida at the *Rafael Soriano: Cabezas (Heads)*, American Museum of the Cuban Diaspora, Miami
- 2014** Cintas Foundation Lifetime Achievement Award, MDC Museum Freedom Tower, Miami
- 2008** Presented the Key to the City of Doral, Florida by Mayor Juan Carlos Bermúdez, *Rafael Soriano, The Mystic and Spiritual*, Miami Dade College, West Campus, Miami  
Proclamations from Miami Mayor, Tomas Regalado, Doral Mayor, Juan Carlos Bermúdez & Hialeah Mayor, Julio Robaina, Miami
- 1988** Won First Prize for the painting titled, "The Liturgy of Silence" during the exhibition, *Expresiones Hispanicas*, The Coors National Hispanic Art Exhibit & Tour, Mexican Cultural Institute, San Antonio, TX. (Travelled)
- 1973** Honorable mention, "El collar magico," oil on canvas, juried by Mr. Thomas M. Messer, Director, Guggenheim Museum of New York, *Fifth Annual Pan American Art Exhibition*, Miami
- 1971** Second prize for "Lighthouse," *Invitational Art Show YM-YWHA*, Miami
- 1970** First prize for oil on canvas, "Dinamismo especial," *Second Annual Pan American Art Exhibit*, Latin America
- 1969** Second prize for "Eclipse," *First Annual Fine Arts Exhibition*, Temple Beth Am, Miami  
Four Arts Award for "Fantastic Building," *The Society Four Arts, National Exhibition*, Palm Beach, FL
- 1965** Second prize, *Cuban Artist*, The Museum of Science, Cintas Foundation and ACAPE, Miami  
Prize Festival of Arts, Miami
- 1964** First prize, Burdines Art Exhibition, Burdines Gallery, Downtown Miami Cultural Scene, FL
- 1963** First prize for "Spacious Figure, *Exhibition of Art*, Burdines Gallery, Downtown Miami Cultural Scene, FL
- 1958** Honorable Mention, Salon Bodas de Oro, Havana, Cuba

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Artist chosen to design Emblem for the Festival de las Americas, Dinner Key, Miami

*Rafael Soriano*, One Man Show, Festival de Las Americas, Dinner Key, Miami

**1957** Awarded the Gold Medal, Circulo de Bellas Artes, el Salón Nacional de Belles Artes, Havana, Cuba

Awarded the Gold Medal, Galería de Matanzas, Cuba

**1952–55** President of “Galería de Matanzas,” Matanzas, Cuba

Included among the Latin American Painters, Pan American Union of Washington, Department of Visual Arts

**1955** Work acquired for permanent exhibition at age 25, Palacio de Bellas Artes de la Habana, Cuba

**1950** Honored by Syracuse University of New York, requested photographs of Soriano’s most important works to include in a treatise on cosmic art

## **PUBLIC AND CORPORATE COLLECTIONS**

Art Museum of the Americas | Organization of American States, Washington, D.C.

Bacardi Imports, Miami

Banco Bozano-Simonsen, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Blanton Museum of Art, University of Texas

CIFO | Cisneros Fontanals Art Foundation, Miami

Continental Bank, Miami

Cuban Museum of Arts and Culture, Miami

Denver Art Museum, Denver

Galeria de Arte Moderno, Santa Domingo, Dominican Republic

Grupo DEARMAS, Caracas, Venezuela

Jane Voorhees Zimmerli Art Museum, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ

Long Beach Museum of Art, Long Beach, CA

Lowe Art Museum, University of Miami, Coral Gables, FL

McMullen Museum of Art at Boston College, MA

Museo de Arte, Matanzas, Cuba

Museo de Arte Zea, Medellin, Columbia

Museo Nacional de Bellas Artes, Havana, Cuba

Nations Bank Corporation, Charlotte, NC

NSU Art Museum, Ft. Lauderdale, FL

Patricia & Phillip Frost Art Museum, Miami

Pérez Art Museum Miami, Miami

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Smithsonian American Art Museum, Washington, D.C.

Univisión, Channel 23, Miami