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RADICAL PLAYFULNESS IN LATIN CONTEMPORARY AND BEYOND CURATED BY SALTFINEART in collaboration with COASTLINE COLLEGE ART GALLERY

(Newport Beach, CA) saltfineart in collaboration with Coastline College Art Gallery is proud to present **PLAYGROUND**, **August 28 – October 17**, **2024**, an exhibition curated around the theme of play as a radical act. Play as a radical act traces a thread through Latin Contemporary art and beyond, with works in which the initial read is one of whimsy with the skillful use of vibrant colors, pop-cultural icons, and visual metaphors that hold profound narratives of freedom, identity, social and political climates, and emotion.

saltfineart is a global-focused fine art gallery established in 2009 with Latin Contemporary at its core. The artists in PLAYGROUND represent 15 years of presenting works that bring together cutting-edge concept with skillful execution. With 10 different countries represented from El Salvador to Cuba, Peru to the United Kingdom, PLAYGROUND highlights a worldwide community of artists. All participating artists, images, and bios can be found at https://saltfineart.com/ coastline-playground/

ABEL BARROSO // CUBA / ABEL AMAYA // EL SALVADOR / ALEXANDRE ARRECHEA // CUBA ANDRIY HALASHYN // COSTA RICA / CECILIA PAREDES // PERU & US / CISCO MEREL // PANAMA / EUGENIA MARTINEZ // MEXICO / ESTERIO SEGURA // CUBA / GERARD BASIL STRIPLING // US / JAVIER VALLE PEREZ // NICARAGUA & US / JOHAN BARRIOS // COLOMBIA & US / JORGE LOPEZ PARDO // CUBA / LUIS CORNEJO // EL SALVADOR / MAURICIO CORTES // MEXICO / NICK GRINDROD // UNITED KINGDOM / ORLANDO VILLATORO // EL SALVADOR / OSMEIVY ORTEGA // CUBA / MABEL POBLET // CUBA / PRISCILLA MONGE // COSTA RICA / VICTOR HUGO ZAYAS // MEXICO & US / XHE // EL SALVADOR In celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month, Coastline College gallery director David Michael Lee has developed an itinerary of Wednesday events, featuring food, and live podcast interviews with the curators and participating artists in late September and early October. Learn the backstories behind each work, with an immersive walkthrough led by saltfineart owner Carla Arzente and gallery director Suzanne Walsh at 4 pm on opening day, September 13.

Public Reception Friday, September 13, 2024 @ 5 - 7 pm Gallerist-led walkthrough Friday, September 13, 2024 @ 4 pm

#### Food, and podcast events:

Wednesday, September 18 @ 11 am – 1 pm Wednesday, September 25 @ 11 am – 1 pm Wednesday, October 2 @ 11 am – 1 pm Wednesday, October 9 @ 11 am – 1 pm

#### Coastline Art Gallery Hours:

Wednesday through Friday, 10 – 4 or by appointment.

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#### Link to exhibition catalog:

https://saltfineart.com/coastline-playground/



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