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Santa Monica City Yards Mural Project Santa Monica Cultural Affairs Division 1685 Main St., Room 106 Santa Monica, CA 90401

To whom it may concern:

I am interested in applying for the Santa Monica City Yards mural project. I have been involved in public art since 1972 as a muralist and writer, with more than 30 murals behind me, numerous articles, and two books on mural art. Over the years I have done a great deal of work with youth as a mentor and also in projects designed by youth working under my supervision. Most recently, I created a mural (on canvas) with 10 inner city youth from Long Beach for their newly re-furbished convention center. For this project, I would like to work with the youth in a collaborative process which would elicit full participation in every phase of design and painting beginning with design workshops to draw out and help them develop their ideas.

My background includes a large number of collaborations with other artists as well as community residents, and I have worked in a wide range of settings and with different racial and ethnic groups (including conservative whites). I lived several years in Mexico, and am fluent in spanish. From 1992 till 1995 I designed and executed a glazed ceramic tile installation for Compton Station on the MTA Blue line and I look forward to having the opportunity to do more public works in that medium as well as experimenting with other permanent media. The Compton project also involved a youth component. In addition to the panels and columns on the station platform. I worked with youth from the three different High Schools in Compton to design a mural for the entry to the station.

Before moving to Los Angeles in 1989. I was founder and director of the public art group, Artmakers, Inc. which created the La Lucha murals on Manhattan's Lower East Side in 1985, a project which was widely written about and received several awards. Among my recent murals is Global Chess, a Berlin/Los Angeles sister city project, painted (together with Paul Botello) in May 1994 in Berlin.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours.

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PROFESSION: Artist

EDUCATION: Rutgers University, MA 1974 Art History Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y. BA English

HONORS AND AWARDS:

1995 Commendation, Compton City Council.

1989 Citation, Manhattan Borough President's Awards for Excellence and Service in the arts.

1988 Citizen's Committee for N.Y., Betty Chapin Award.

1987 Warren O. Tanner Memorial Award

1975 National Endowment For The Arts Fellowshop

PUBLIC COMMISSIONS (select list):

1992-5 Compton, Past Present and Future, Compton Metrorail Station, ceramic tile, 600 sq.ft. Sponsor: LA MTA

1994 Global Chessgame, (with Paul Botello), Berlin, Germany, 72' x 120', acrylic on cement. Sponsor: LA-Berlin Sister City project.

1992 The Chain Undone. 10534 W. Pico Blvd., L.A., 16'x79', acrylic on brick, Sponsor: SPARC.

1992 Open Minds. Open Hearts, Building the Future, Long Beach, CA, 10'x 50', acrylic on wood, Sponsor: City of Long Beach Dept. of Parks and Recreation Mural Arts Program.

1991 <u>History of Women in the Labor Movement</u>, 6120 S. Vermont, LA, 7'6"x60', acrylic on cement., Sponsor: So. California Library for Social Research

1990 Oil. Life and Ecology, Natl Guard Seventh Street Armory, 13'x72', acrylic on cement, Sponsor: Long Beach Parks & Recreation Department Mural Arts Program.

1990 Roll Call for Peace in El Salvador, (artistic director & artist), Exposition Park, Los Angeles, acrylic plywood structure, 44'x76', Sponsor: El Rescate

1990 The Web of Life, (with Kristin Reed), C. W. Post campus of L.I.U., 7'x34' acrylic on cement. Sponsor: Hillwood Art Museum

1988 The Changing Face of Soho collective mural with 4 other artists, Broadway/Lafayette Subway Station. 8'x32', acrylic on wood panels. Sponsor: N.Y.MTA, Artmakers, Inc.

1988 Portrait of Mother Jones, for the Pathfinder International Mural Project, 12'x8'. A six story building painted with invited U.S. and foreign artists.

1986 <u>Homage to Seurat: La Grande Jatte in Harlem</u>, N.Y.C., 2 walls, each 30x30', acrylic on stucco Sponsor: Greenthumb Artist in the Gardens & Artmakers.

1986 <u>Push Crack Back</u>, collective mural with Artmakers artists, 142nd Street and Hamilton Place, N.Y.C., 15'x40', acrylic. Sponsor: Artmakers, West Harlem Group Assistance

1985 <u>La Lucha Continua</u>. Ave. C. and 9th St., N.Y.C., 30x40' artistic director of collective mural with eleven artists. I was also director of the La Lucha Project which consisted of 24 different murals at the same site --La Plaza Cultural. Sponsor: Artmakers & Charas.

PLUS MORE THAN 20 OTHER MURALS BETWEEN 1972 AND 1989 INCLUDING WORKS IN NEW JERSEY, NORTHERN NEW YORK STATE, NEW YORK CITY AND NICARAGUA.

ONE PERSON SHOWS:

1988-9 Gallery 1199, 310 w. 43rd. St. N.Y.C. Nov. 9-Jan. 5.

1987 P.A.C.A. Gallery, 131 E. 7th St., N.Y.C. May 6-31.

1984 Gallery 345, 345 Lafayette St., New York, N.Y. 5/12-6/9.

1982 Gallery 345, 345 Lafayette St., New York, N. Y., 9/11-10/9.

1981 Grass Roots Cultural Center, San Diego, 12/4-1/20