

Gabriella Valdez

Gabriella Valdez is a Los Angeles-based artist whose powerful paintings offer a raw look at the impact of poverty, abuse, and social injustice. She uses surfaces such as wood, stretched tarp, and stretched burlap to further expand her message. Inspired by her own personal story and the stories of those living in her community, Valdez hopes to shed light on topics that are difficult to talk about and create a space that serves as a driving force for change.

Valdez received her B.A. in Studio Art from California State University Dominguez Hills in 2022 and is the first in her family to graduate with a bachelor's degree. Her work has been exhibited at The Mistake Room in 2021 and Office Space in 2022. Valdez also had two paintings published in the CSUDH Magazine (2021) on topics surrounding race and injustice and worked as a Praxis Teaching Artist (2021), a program that focuses on Art and community in South Los Angeles. Currently, Valdez is a guest teacher serving students in at risk communities within Los Angeles County.

Through her art, Valdez hopes to create conversations about social justice and issues that are often hidden from plain sight. She is driven to inspire others to take on an active role in their communities, provide support, and become a voice for the silenced.