

b. 1955, Lives and works in Baroda, MI and Chicago, IL

Education

2010-12 ABD Communications Media, European Graduate School

- 1995-97 MFA in Painting and Printmaking, Yale University School of Art, New Haven, CT
- 1981 Skowhegan School of Painting/Printmaking, Madison, ME
- 1973-77 BA School Art/Liberal Arts, Fordham University, Lincoln Center, NY

Selected Solo Exhibitions

- 2023 TBD, moniquemeloche gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2021 Palimpsest, GAVLAK Gallery, Los Angeles, CA, Palm Beach, FL
- 2020 Estoy Bien, moniquemeloche gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2019 De Colores, GAVLAK Gallery, Los Angeles, CA, Palm Beach, FL
- 2017 Candida Alvarez: Here, Chicago Cultural Center, Chicago; curated by Terry R. Myers
- 2012 Mambomountain, Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago, IL
- 2003 Paradise, Rena Bransten Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- 2002 I Will Always Remember You, TBA Exhibition Space, Chicago, IL
- 1996 Candida Alvarez: New/Now, New Britain Museum of American Art, New Britain, CT
- 1993 Polyptychs, June Kelly Gallery, NY; catalogue essays by Rebecca Walker, Jock Reynolds
- 1992 Candida Alvarez Recent Paintings, The Bronx Museum of the Arts, Bronx, NY
- 1991 Candida Alvarez, Paintings and Works on Paper, The Queens Museum, Flushing, NY
- 1990 John Street Series, Galerie Schneiderei, Cologne, Germany, Catalogue
- 1989 Candida Alvarez Paintings and Drawings, June Kelly Gallery, NY; essay by Elizabeth Murray
- 1985 Ringside Gallery: Candida Alvarez, Exit Art, NY; curated by Jeanette Ingberman, Papo Colo
- 1983 The Hybrid Series, Real Art Ways, Hartford, CT, Brochure Cows and Other Things, The Cayman Gallery, NY, Brochure; essay by Lowery Sims

Selected Group Exhibitions

- 2023 Color Effects, Galerie Lelong, New York, New York The Feminine in Abstract Painting, The Milton Resnick and Pat Passlof Foundation, New York,
 - NY; curated by Jennifer Samet and Andrea Belag
- 2022 no existe un mundo poshuracán: Puerto Rican Art in the Wake of Hurricane Maria, Whitney Museum of Art, New York, NY
 Forecast Form: Art in the Caribbean Diaspora, 1990—Today, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL; ICA Boston, Boston, MA; MCA San Diego, San Diego, CA
 Invitational Exhibition of Visual Arts, American Academy of Arts and Letters SAIC Alumni, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL
 Reimagined Landscapes, Calderón Gallery, New York, NY
 2021 In the Eyes of the Storm, Z33, Hasselt, Belgium
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Selected Group Exhibitions (cont.)

LatinXAbstract, The BRIC, NY

The Long Dream, The Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL

- 2020 Nasty Women, GAVLAK GALLERY, Los Angeles, CA
- 2019 Inaugural Exhibition, GAVLAK GALLERY, Los Angeles, CA
- 2018 Out of Easy Reach, DePaul Art Museum, Chicago, IL; curated by Allison Glenn
- 2017 Magnetic Fields: Expanding American Abstraction, 1960s—Today, Kemper Museum, Kansas City, MO; curated Erin Dziedzic and Melissa Messina, Catalogue Outside the Lines, CAM, Houston, TX; curated by Valerie Cassel-Oliver
- 2003 Splat, Boom, Pow: The Influence of Cartoons in Contemporary Art, CAM, Houston, TX, Catalogue; curated by Valerie Cassel-Oliver
- 2000 Words-Objects-Acts, Museum of the City of Skopje, Macedonia, Catalogue; curated by Susana Milevska
- 1999 Choice 99, Exit Art, New York, Catalogue; curated by Papo Colo
- 1995 Artists Talk Back: Visual Conversations with El Museo, Reaffirming Spirituality, El Museo del Barrio, NY, Catalogue; curated by Susana Torruella Leval
- 1991 Third International Biennial of Painting, Cuenca, Ecuador, Catalogue
- 1990 Working on Paper: Contemporary American Drawing, The High Museum of Art, Atlanta, GA
- 1989 The Blues Aesthetic, The Washington Project for the Arts, Washington, DC; curated by Dr. Rick Powell
- 1988 Autobiography, In Her Own Image, Intar Gallery NY; curated by Howardena Pindell
- 1987 Masters and Pupils: The Education of the Black Artist in New York, The Jamaica Arts Center, Queens, NY, Brochure; curated by Kellie Jones
- 1986 New Visions, Soho 20, New York, NY; curated by Kellie Jones
- 1985 Artists-In-Residence Exhibition, The Studio Museum in Harlem Surplus, Exit Art, NY: catalogue by Papo Colo
- 1983 The Re-gentrified Jungle, Hamilton College, Clinton, NY; catalogue, curated by Joe Lewis
- 1980 International Studio and Workspace Program, P.S.1 Contemporary Art Center, LIC, NY
- 1979 Recollections: Candida Alvarez/Vincent Smith, The Brooklyn Museum, Brooklyn, NY
- 1977 Confrontation, Ambiente y Espacio, El Museo del Barrio, NY

Grants, Awards & Fellowships

- 2023 Laura Owens and Luna Foundation Resident Artist, Studio of the South, Arles France
- 2019 Joan Mitchell Foundation Painters and Sculptors Grant
- 1999 International Artist's Studio Program in Stockholm, Sweden, IASPIS
- 1988 Mid-Atlantic-NEA Regional Fellowship
- 1986 New York Foundation for the Arts Artist Fellowship
- 1980 International Studio and Workspace Program PS 1, Contemporary Art Center, LIC, NY (MOMA/PS1)

Residencies

- 2023 Laura Owens and Luna Foundation Resident Artist, Studio of the South, Arles France
- 1998 Pilchuck Glass School, Session 5, Residency
- 1994 Pollock Krasner Gallery of American Art, Phillips Academy, Artist Residency
- 1986 MacDowell Colony Artist Residency
- 1985 The Studio Museum in Harlem, Artist Residency

Teaching

1988-Present Present FH Sellers Professor in Painting, The School of the Art Institute of Chicago, IL

Public Commissions

- 2023 Rosemont Fashion Outlets Mural, Rosemont Mall, Chicago, IL
- 2017 DCASE, City of Chicago, IL; *Howlings-Soft Painting*, 27 ft. x 200 ft., Latex ink on PVC mesh, at Riverwalk under Walker Drive
- 2006 MTA, Bronx Park East Station, NY; B is for Birds in the Bronx, Faceted glass windscreens
- 1994 Percent for Art Commission, P.S. 306, NY; What do you see?, six stained glass windows with atrium

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2023 Placek, Christopher. "Mural in Rosemont mall brings 'bold, evocative new life' to old painting," Daily Herald. January

Guerrero, Marcela. no existe un mundo poshurcán: Puerto Rican Art in the Wake of Hurricane Maria. Yale University Press, New Haven and London, pp. 15, 62-67.

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"Art and Fashion Collide at Fashion Outlets of Chicago," Modern Luxury. March 1 Raez, Constanza Falco. "Latinx Abstract: New Exhibition at Bric," Flaunt. March 3 Anreus, Alejandro. "Beauty and Grief: Puerto Rican Art at the Whitney Museum," Commonweal Magazine. March 1

2022 Mooallem, Stephen. "How Chicago Became an Art-World Capital Without Giving In to Art-World Clichés," Harper's Baazar. December

Cotter, Holland. "Puerto Ricans Expand the Scope of 'American Art' at the Whitney," New York Times. November

Belmont, Sarah. "The 9 Best Booths at EXPO Chicago: From Dazzling Peacocks to New 'Vogue' Covers Honoring Black and Indigenous Woman Activists," ArtNews.

Velle, Elaine. "15 Latinx Artist Fellows Receive \$50K Grants," Hyperallergic. May
2021 Colón, Beatriz. "At El Museo Del Barrio Triennial, Five Latinx Painters to Watch", Cultured Magazine, June 2021

Martinez, Nicole. "10 Latin American Artists to Watch at El Museo del Barrio's Triennial", Artsy, May 2021

Raez Falco, Constanza. "Estamos Bien", Flaunt Magazine, Mach 2021

Passy, Charles. "El Museo del Barrio Hosts First Triennial Exhibition", The Wall Street Journal, March

Soto, Edra. "Getting Candid with Candida Alvarez", Hispanic Executive, September 27, 2020 Leahy, Brian. "Candida Alvarez at Monique Meloche Gallery", ARTFORUM May/June H. Bui, Phong. "CANDIDA ALVAREZ with Phong H. Bui", The Brooklyn Rail. March "Candida Alvarez: Here. A Visual Reader", Green Lantern Press Vickery, Morgan. "Q & A with Candida Alvarez", Flaunt Magazine. April

2017 Susan Snodgrass. "Arriving Here: Candida Alvarez, Chicago Cultural Center", The Seen, Issue 05, Expo Chicago

Foumberg, Jason. "Candida's Coloring Book", Chicago Magazine 66, May 2017, No 5, pp.43 Waxman, Lori. "Candida Alvarez, Up to Try Anything", The Chicago Tribune, Arts + Entertainment, Section 4, pg. 3. August 3 Miller, Chris. "Painting A Life in Bloom", NewCity, 7/15/2017, pp. 1-6

Marevska, Anna. "Comme des Garçons Spring 2017 Men's Collection Features a Chicago Artist's Print", Fashion Files, February 1

- 2012 Picard, Caroline. "Center Field, Art in the Middle/Mashed up and Shredded into Space, An Interview with Candida Alvarez", Jan 22, art21.org
- 2005 Lopez, Ruth. "Going Down? SubCity Projects elevator exhibition space comes to a halt", Time Out Chicago, May 19-26, 2005, pp. 49-50

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- 1994 Bricker Balken, Debra. Art in America, Review, April 1994
- 1993 A. MacAdam, Barbara. "Candida Alvarez, Myth, Memory and Old Lace", Art News, Feb, pp.67
- 1992 Cotter, Holland. "Art in Review: Candida Alvarez at the Bronx Museum of the Arts", New York Times, Dec 18, p. C37
- 1991 Pacheco, Patrick. "The New Faith in Painting, Art & Antiques", May 1991, pp. 61-62
- 1990 Cyphers, Peggy. "New York in Review: Candida Alvarez", Arts, February, p. 100 Reid, Calvin. "Kind of Blue", Arts, February 1990, pp. 54-56
- 1989 Langer, Cassandra. "Autobiography: In Her Own Image", Women Artists News, Vol.13, No.3, pp 26-27.
- 1988 Fusco, Coco. "Hispanic Artists and Other Slurs", The Village Voice, August 9, p. 22 Raven, Arlene. "Colored", The Village Voice, May 31
- 1987 Brenson, Michael. "Art in Review: New Visions at Soho20 Gallery", New York Times, Jan 9. 1980 Bey, Dawoud. "In Search of a Vision: Edward Clark and Candida Alvarez", Uptown, The NYC Mission Society

Permanent Collections

DePaul Art Museum, Chicago, IL El Museo del Barrio, New York, NY The Addison Gallery of American Art, MA The Art Institute of Chicago, IL The Brandywine Workshop, Philadelphia, PA The Printmaking Workshop, NY The Studio Museum in Harlem, NY The University of Delaware The Virginia Museum of Fine Arts The Whitney Museum of American Art, NY