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Latino Cultural Center presents *Maestros Tejanos: Benito Huerta Solo Exhibit* May 1 – July 19, 2008



Exile Off Main Street, 2005

In recognition of his outstanding contribution to the arts, Benito Huerta will be recognized as a Maestro Tejano at the Latino Cultural Center with an inauguration of an exhibition of artist's paintings and prints.

Benito Huerta, a celebrated figure in the arts throughout the U. S., employs cultural imagery of ancient and living cultures to explore and map the origins, interactions, and potentials of human experience. Huerta's blending and layered use of familiar objects awakens one's memory and imagination to reflect upon the greater whole of humanity and focus on new perspectives of what awaits society in the future.

The artist's works combine figurative and abstract traditions on a variety of mixed grounds including paper, board, canvas, and metal sheeting. Yet, regardless of materials, Huerta's works reveal the artist's ability to combine intellectual prowess and dexterous mastery of methods to guide the eye and mind of the viewer through the fluid dimensions of time and space.

Benito Huerta mingles and blends emblems of the commercial and the sacred to redefine and transcend stereotypes of individual, regions, and borders. His works are the result of personal investigations that explore the internal and external relationships of human knowledge and experience. The exhibit is curated by Stephen Vollmer.

Opening reception with the artist Thursday, May 1, 2008 from 6:00pm – 8:00pm hosted by the Friends of the Latino Cultural Center.

LCC Texas Artist Series presents **Benito Huerta in a gallery talk** to discuss his work **May 3, 2008 at 12:00 noon**. This lecture is free to the public.

The Latino Cultural Center is a division of the City of Dallas Office of Cultural Affairs. The mission of the Latino Cultural Center is to serve as a catalyst for the preservation, development and promotion of Latino arts and culture in Dallas. The Center is located at 2600 Live Oak, Dallas, Texas 75204.

LCC hours: Tuesday – Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For additional information please call 214-670-3320 or visit our **web site at, www.dallasculture.org/latinocc**.

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