

'EL CRUCERO DE MI CORAZON'
("THE CROSS ROADS OF MY HEART")
Artist's Statement

I am a local artist whose murals, fabric pieces, collages and assemblages have been collected worldwide. My interest in diverse cultures and especially my love of Hispanic cultures are evident in the current exhibit.

The ten medium sized pieces in this show incorporate artifacts I gathered from Mexico and Spain, including items from the Madrid Metro, the Reina Sophia Museum of Modern Art in Madrid, the Del Prado Museum in Madrid, the Picasso Museum in Barcelona, poet Garcia Lorca's home in Fuentevaqueros, Spain, the Museum of Anthropology in Guadalajara, Mexico holy cards from street vendors in Mexico, and more.

What look like little charms are "Milagros" or "miracles" which I also purchased from street vendors. They are pinned to the robe of a statue of a person's favorite saint in order to bring benefit. Thus, a milagro of a house will bring blessings to one's home.

Included in this exhibit are smaller collages, most from the "MEXICO HEAVEN SERIES" A BEGUN IN San Blas, Mexico and completed in Madison. I painted the wooden frames, on both bodies of work, here in Madison.

I am also including in this exhibit an example of my latest endeavor. "Fabrications" is my name for the fabric collages on which I am currently working. These fabric collages incorporated actual items worn by people. I believe that a human presence "lingers" in the clothing and objects that we wear. I am pleased with the reception I am getting to my "Fabrications" and am excited to be doing custom work for people incorporating family treasures into the pieces.

Thank you for your interest in my work. Please contact me if you would like to purchase work on exhibit here, if you are interested in custom work, or if you want information about the art classes I am teaching at the Williamson Street Art Center. I am grateful for your support.

Sharon Kilfoy
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