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San Anto: Maestros y Estudiantes

A mural project with Burbank and Kennedy High Schools
led by Alex Rubio and Vincent Valdez

February 24- March 23, 2008

Opening Sunday, February 24, 1-4 pm, Wachovia Children's Gallery

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, February 13, 2008 — The Museo Alameda in affiliation with the Smithsonian Institution announces a mural workshop led by Alex Rubio and Vincent Valdez, artists in the exhibition **San Anto: Pride of the Southside/En El Mero Hueso**. Rubio and Valdez returned to their respective alma maters, Kennedy and Burbank high schools, to recruit young artists for a special mural project to be installed at the Museo Alameda Wachovia Children's Gallery.

For three Saturdays in the month of February students from both high schools have worked in studio space at the Alameda Theater under the tutelage of Burbank and Kennedy art instructors and their new mentors, Rubio and Valdez. Each session has involved over thirty students painting and designing the murals. The artists also conducted lectures for every art class at each school and presented slideshows of their work.

As a collaborative project **San Anto: Maestros y Estudiantes** combines the aesthetic vision of two artists with the talent and skill of local youth. Students were invited to generate creative iconography that drew on themes of community, family, and neighborhood, much like the original *San Anto* exhibition.

February 16th will be the final day of the mural workshop. On Sunday, February 24th the Museo Alameda will host an opening celebration featuring music selected by the students, arts activities inspired by the *San Anto* exhibition, tours of both exhibitions, and remarks by the artists.

MISSION

To tell the story of the Latino experience in America through art, history, and culture.

SUPPORT AND SPONSORSHIP

The Museo Alameda is an affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C. Exhibitions and programs receive major support from Ford Motor Company. The museum receives partial operating support from the City of San Antonio and the Office of Cultural Affairs.

LOCATION

The Museo Alameda is located in downtown San Antonio in historic Market Square on the corner of Santa Rosa and Commerce at 101 South Santa Rosa.

HOURS AND ADMISSION

The Museo Alameda is open Tuesday through Sunday 10:00 – 6:00, Wednesday until 8:00, and Sunday, noon to 6:00. The museum is closed Mondays and holidays. Admission is \$4.00 for Adults; \$3.00 for Seniors, Educators, and Military; and \$2.00 for Students and Children. The Museum is free Sundays all day and Wednesdays after 4 pm.

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