

# Leslye Villaseñor Artist Statement

Leslye Villaseñor is a Visual Artist based in San Diego, who focuses primarily on painting and illustration. She earned an Associate's Degree in Studio Arts from Southwestern College followed by a Bachelor's Degree in Studio Arts from the University of California, San Diego. Her work questions human nature, consciousness, and perception. She utilizes her personal narratives and experiences as inspiration in addition to a philosophical and psychological point of view to inform her pieces. Her works, often haunting and melancholic, aim to create a dialogue and connection with the audience by allowing them to identify with specific moments in time, memories, and emotions that are portrayed in her artworks.

Her work has been exhibited in the Student Gallery at Southwestern College, the Adam D. Kamil Gallery at UCSD, and more recently at the Athenaeum Music and Arts Library in La Jolla.

*De la Unión Entre la Mente y el Espíritu*, explores the concept of the inner connection between two people. The ability to make positive connections with other individuals, and use that bond to create comfort and safety to ease themselves in times of need.

This artwork is a reminder to let people know they can rely on others, even if it's a memory of someone else. They are not alone.