# Del Castillo



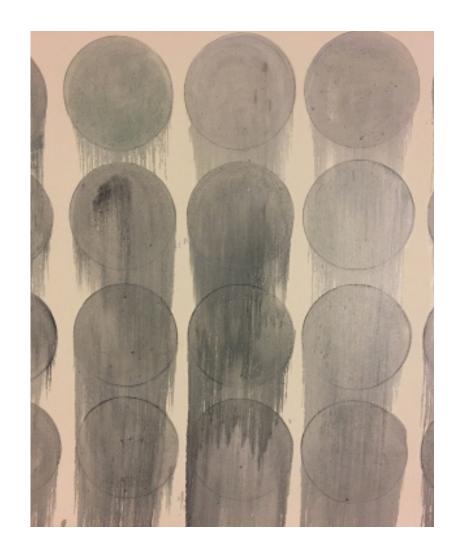
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## Portfolio

2018 - 2021

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# Artist statement

## My work is based on a series of conclusions derived from a constant quest for something that can be called "the vital

The essence of the infinitely complex architecture of each moment, as a mean for self reflection and integration to what I call *"Self Data Base"* the personal archive that stores my way of perceiving and processing information and the events of daily life.

Departing from a process where visual information is deconstructed to *"raw matter"* and decoded, I look for the creation of a conscious link between the *"Eye"* or the natural and the never ending flow of data of this digital era. Visceral images, the everyday and the visual accidents that recreate and refresh my perception with certain pictorial validity, give rise to metaphors of this Multi-mediatic reality that we live in. As this process goes on, a pattern of *"casual pictograph"* unfolds, one consistent with my search and consequent with my intention of presenting instead of re-presenting a visual language, questioning in this manner our speedup life-style that strips us of the beauty of each moment and reminding my audience at the same time of our existential fragility. The choice of utilizing painting and drawing as my main media language is an important side of my discourse. Consequently with the idea of a revival of our attention, this choice originates from my intention to rescue and re validate traditional aesthetic values in the work of art and a return to the natural essence of things this time underlined as visual energy.

## Painting



The waiting (la espera) 2018 Oil on canvas 124cm x 180cm.

#### Ensoñaciones 2020 Oil on canvas 128cmx 238cm.



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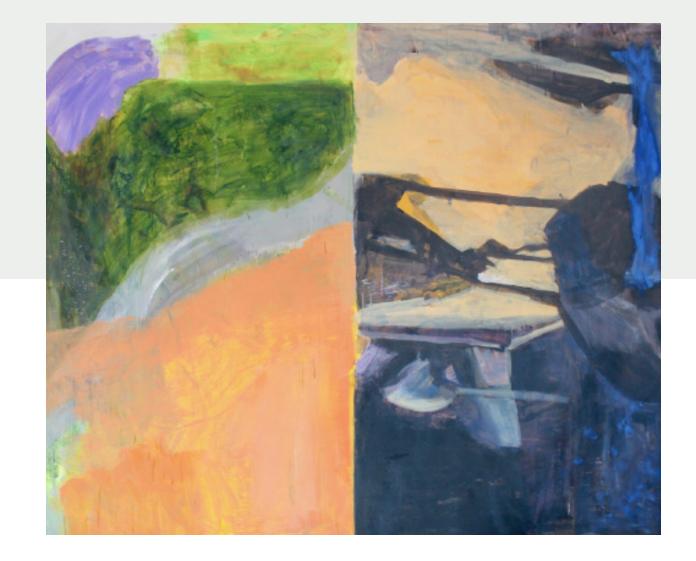
Serendipity 2020 Oil on canvas 162cm x 233cm. Polarization 2020 Oil on canvas 160cm x 185cm.





### Dark

*2020* Oil on canvas 30cm x 40cm. Presence(#3) 2020 Acrylic on canvas 116cm x 132cm.



#### Golden moment 2021 Acrylic ,ink on canvas. 147cm x 195 cm.



Una Realidad aparte 2021 Acrylic on canvas. 182cm x 203cm



Amarillo 2021 Acrylic on canvas 177cm x 177cm.



**Crash** *2021* Acrylic on canvas





#### Rendezvous

*2021* Acrylic,ink and msa resin 176cm x 326cm.

## **Time capsules**

Within the series *"The Reverse in Victoria"* are the time capsules, these are made by collecting industrial waste, during the time each project lasts, for that reason they are titled according to the time involved. The idea arose as the creative survival of the artist in the face of the pragmatic / material world.



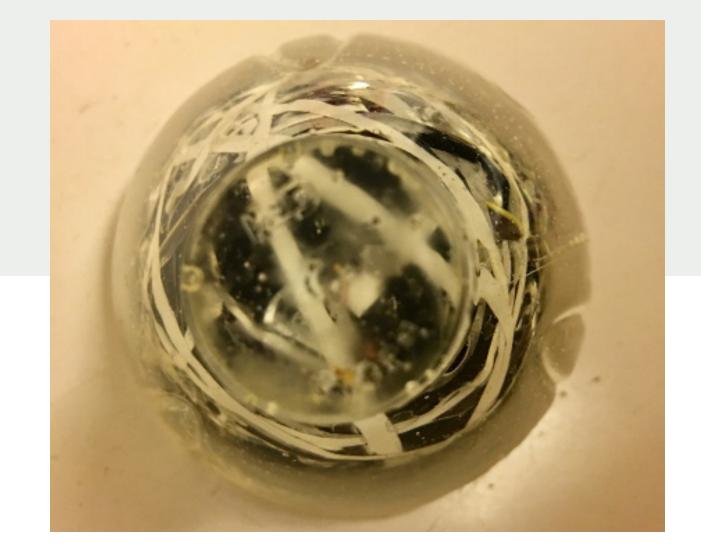


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## Mixed media



**Head** *2021* Variable dimension. **Head** *2021* Variable dimension.



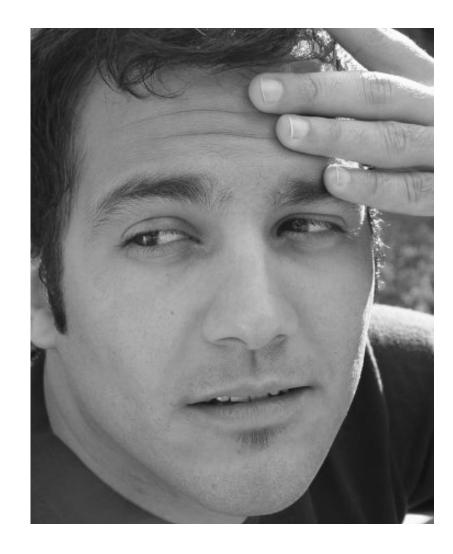
Helmet *2021* Variable dimension.



## Biography

Luis Lopez Del Castillo was born in December ,1976 in Camaguey, Cuba. He studied at the Vocational Arts School and at The Fine Arts Academy where he Graduate in 2001.He was a member of "the 16",sixteen young artists that were selected to the show "Projecto Personal"at Centro de desarrollo de las Artes,Havana,Cuba.(2002) A year later he did his first solo show at Gallery Plaza Vieja de la Casona,Havana,Cuba.

He was an "Artist on Residence" in Spazio Xpo & Liz, Milano.Italy.(2003-2004) where He also exhibit on several group art shows, and a solo show "Pinturas" at Pallazzo Rossetti, Chieti, Italy(2005). He arrives to Miami, Florida, and shows his paintings at EDGE ZONES Art Fair during Art Basel/Art Miami (2006-2007) as well as "Arte de Cuba" group show in Toronto, Canada.(2009) recently he was at "Cuban enhancement" 'a group show at The Mob Museum, as Vegas, Nevada.(2014). and was part of the group Show "Resilience, the other Cuba." Minneapolis ,mn, USA.(2015). Semifinalist los Angeles paintings (2018) Triennial of Latin american art ,New York.(2019). Awards as first prize at "Joel Porto" salon and third prize at the drawing Biennial, Cuba, Mention on Fidelio Ponce De Leon Salon. Lives and works between Miami and Las Vegas.



## Luis Lopez Del Castillo 1976, Camagüey, Cuba.

#### Education

**1996 -** Graduated from the Fine Arts Academy,Ca,Cuba. **1992 -** Graduated from 'Vocational Arts school ,Ca,Cuba.

#### **Solo Exhibitions**

2005 - Re-compilation" Margini Gallery, Milan, Italy.
2004 - Sin Cabeza" Magazzino gallery, Milan, Italy.
2002 - Pinturas" Palazzo Rossetti, Chieti, Italy.

#### **Selected Group Exhibitions**

*2019 -* The Bronx Hispanic Festival Inc / NY Latin American Art Triennial,NY.

*2018 -* Regionals semifinals, Building Bridges Gallery, Bergamot.

station, Santa Monica, USA.

2016 - Desde más lejos se ve mas bonito"Rez De

Chaussée lieu d'intention.

artistique,Bordeaux.France.

**2016 -** Beyond The Collector's Kabinet 2"Kendall Art Center, Miami, fl.

2015 - Resilience, the other Cuba."Minneapolis,mn.

2014 - "Limited Engagement" Mob museum,Las Vegas,Nv.
2009 - "Arte de cuba" galeria casa habana,toronto,Canada.
2008 - "FREIHEIT" famiglia margini gallery,Milano,Italy.
2006 - "EDGE ZONE", Art Fair, Art Basel, ART Miami.
2004 - "Art discount" Spazio xpo, Milan, Italy.
2000 - "Proyecto personal" centro de desarrollo de las artes , La habana, Cuba.

#### Awards and residencies

2018 - Regional Semi Finalist at Exhibition
"Bombay Sapphire".
Artisan Series Competition, Los Angeles. USA.
1996 - "Third Prize at 'Bienal de Dibujo" Art Center. Cuba.
1995 - "First Prize at Salon of "Young Art", Jose Joel
Porto, Cuba.
Art residence at Spazio xpo Liz,Milano,Italy, 2003/04.

#### **Public Collections**

• Pallazzo Rossetti, Chietti, Italy.

• Private Collections in Miami, Milan, Madrid, Canada, Colombia, Cuba.

#### **Publication and Media**

"La pérdida progresiva" e la memoria", C de Cuba.org, volumen 22, 2017, pages 56-59.

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