



# City of San Antonio

## Agenda Memorandum

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**In Control:** San Antonio Arts Commission

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**DEPARTMENT:** Department of Arts and Culture

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Krystal Jones

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED:** Citywide

**SUBJECT:**

Centro de Artes Committee: Dining with Rolando Briseño Curator Talk & Catalog Release

**SUMMARY:**

The Department of Arts and Culture will host *Dining with Rolando Briseño* Curator Talk & Catalog Release with Ruben C. Cordova, PhD on Thursday, January 9, 2025 from 6pm – 8pm in Centro de Artes Gallery. At this event, the curator will discuss the exhibition with the artist and answer audience questions. This event is part of the programming for *Dining with Rolando Briseño: A 50-year Retrospective*. The first retrospective devoted to Rolando Briseño and his prolific career dating back to 1966. Curated by Ruben C. Cordova, PhD, the exhibition features 75 works grouped into ten thematic sections featuring drawings, lithographs, paintings, photographs, and work in the public art space. The unifying focus of the exhibition is food—from the literal (tablescapes and dining habits) to the metaphorical (cultural mixing and the structure of the universe).

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

Centro de Artes is an institution dedicated to telling the story of the Latino experience in the U.S. with a focus on South Texas through local, regional, national and international art, history and culture, and dedicated to sharing the transnational experience of Latinos in the U.S. The Department of Arts and Culture began management of exhibits and programming at the Centro de Artes Gallery in September 2016. In February 2017, the San Antonio Arts Commission (SAAC) adopted the Centro de Artes Strategic Plan, developed after a series of community visioning sessions. The Centro de Artes Committee was established as an Ad Hoc Committee of the San Antonio Arts Commission in 2017 with a mission to advocate for excellent, accessible, and engaging Latino arts and cultural opportunities in the Centro de Artes Building and implement the Centro de Artes Strategic Plan. The Centro de Artes Gallery, located in Historic Market Square is free and open to the public Wednesday-Friday from 10:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Saturday-Sunday from noon to 5:00 p.m.

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