

**!VIVA DAVID TINEO!
A Retrospective of Tucson's Muralist and Art Educator**

Tucson, AZ - ¡Viva David Tineo! A Retrospective of Tucson's Muralist and Art Educator celebrates the artist's thirty year career as a muralist, easel painter, and art educator. It will be on view at the Tucson Museum of Art February 27 through July 3, 2010.

Since his first public work in 1976, Tineo has painted more than 80 murals and created another 120 with members of neighborhood associations, youth programs and school children. Perhaps his best-known artwork is *Nuestras Raíces Humanas (Our Roots)*, painted in collaboration with Antonio Pazos in 1992. This monumental painting hangs in the Plaza of the Pioneers at the Tucson Museum of Art and epitomizes the artist's commitment to the Chicano movement. It features images of Aztec and Maya myths; key figures and scenes of the Mexican revolution, and the struggle of farm workers in the Southwest.

The works in the exhibition have been culled from private and institutional collections dispersed throughout Tucson and include artworks on canvas, burlap and paper, ranging from small and intimate to large, vibrantly colored images created from the 1970s through 2008. Archival materials—photographs and writings by the artist; audiovisual and interpretative labels, will also be on display to show the relationship of the artist's endeavors to the social and cultural milieu of Tucson and the Southwest.

David Tineo continues to participate in a broader circle of artists, educators and intellectuals who collectively strive to advance the life conditions for Mexican Americans. By celebrating art, culture, and history, they seek to gain recognition and respect while educating the upcoming generations of their rich heritage.

Embracing the traditional with the inventive, the Tucson Museum of Art presents exhibitions with a focus on Art of the American West, Asian Art, Latin American Art, and Modern and Contemporary Art, and boasts a permanent collection of more than 8,000 works. The Historic Block features five distinctive houses built between c.1850 and 1907 that provide a unique look into Tucson's past. The Museum is open Tuesday – Saturday 10:00 am – 5:00 pm and Sunday 12:00 noon – 5:00 pm. The first Sunday of each month is free. It is located at 140 North Main Avenue in historic downtown Tucson.

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