



POP CULTURE

September 15, 2023 - January 12, 2024

First Floor Gallery

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Daryl Bibicoff, *Retro Pop Culture Woman*, Digital Art, 18" x 18" x 1"

OUR MISSION

Our Vision

The City of Santa Clarita will be recognized as a "city of the arts," where the lives of residents, artists, and visitors are enriched through artistic and cultural experiences.

Mission Statement

To facilitate achievement in the arts for the benefit of the entire community.

Our Goals

1. Provide leadership for the advancement and support of arts and culture;
2. Promote economic development through the arts;
3. Enhance arts and cultural education

Arts Master Plan

The City of Santa Clarita commissioned the Arts Master Plan to create a long-term roadmap for arts, entertainment, and cultural development throughout the community over the next 10 years. The plan addresses several areas of specific interest: public art, Old Town Newhall Arts and Entertainment District, arts education, governance of the arts, cultural facilities, venues and spaces, supporting artists and arts organizations, arts funding, creative economy, marketing the arts, and celebrating diversity.

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INTRODUCTION

Nestled in the heart of Southern California, the City of Santa Clarita has blossomed into a cultural haven, brimming with artistic vitality and creative energy. With a commitment to fostering artistic expression and engaging the community, Santa Clarita Arts has become a driving force in promoting and supporting the arts in the area. From our various gallery locations to our art services, public art projects, and arts and education programs, Santa Clarita Arts has firmly established itself as a cornerstone of the city's cultural landscape.

One of the defining features of Santa Clarita Arts is its array of gallery locations, each offering a unique platform for artists to showcase their vision and talent to the community. The First Floor Gallery in City Hall serves as a prestigious exhibition space, showcasing both local and nationally recognized artists. The Canyon Country Jo Anne Darcy Library, Old Town Newhall Library, Valencia Public Library, Canyon Country Community Center, and Newhall Community Center all provide an intimate setting for visual arts exhibitions, while The MAIN celebrates a fusion of arts, hosting diverse comedy, musical, theatrical events and exhibitions throughout the year.

Beyond our gallery spaces, Santa Clarita Arts offers a wide range of art services designed to support local artists and nurture their creative journeys. Through artists grants to professional development opportunities, Santa Clarita Arts empowers artists to push the boundaries of their practice and thrive in the art world. Additionally, our art classes, workshops, and community outreach initiatives provides invaluable resources for individuals of all ages to explore their artistic passions and develop their skills.

A shining aspect of Santa Clarita Arts is our dedication to public art projects, which serve as vibrant landmarks that enrich the city's aesthetic landscape. From large-scale sculptures to interactive installations, these public art projects punctuate the urban environment, inviting residents and visitors to engage with art in unexpected and delightful ways.

The city's commitment to integrating art into public spaces not only enhances the visual appeal of Santa Clarita but also promotes a sense of community pride and connection.

In alignment with our commitment to arts education, Santa Clarita Arts has developed comprehensive programs that inspire the next generation of creative minds. Our arts education initiatives reach students across the city, providing access to arts experiences workshops, and mentorship opportunities. By nurturing young talent, Santa Clarita Arts ensures the continued growth and vitality of the local arts community, fostering a rich cultural legacy for generations to come.

The City of Santa Clarita has established itself as a vibrant arts destination, thanks to the visionary leadership and unwavering support of Santa Clarita Arts. Their dedication to providing gallery spaces, art services, public art projects, and arts education programs has transformed the city into a thriving hub of artistic expression. Through their unwavering commitment to the arts, Santa Clarita has elevated the cultural landscape, connecting artists, residents, and visitors in a celebration of creativity, diversity, and community.

We invite you to immerse yourself in the rich tapestry of Santa Clarita's arts scene and witness the profound impact of Santa Clarita Arts on the cultural fabric of the city. Let us embrace the power of art to inspire, unite, and transform, as we explore the boundless possibilities that lie within Santa Clarita's artistic landscape.

Welcome to the world of Santa Clarita Arts!

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POP CULTURE

The City of Santa Clarita proudly welcomes our newest art exhibition, "Pop Culture," at the First Floor Gallery, located in Santa Clarita's City Hall. The exhibit will be on view from September 15, 2023 through January 12, 2024, with a special reception on Friday, September 29, 2023 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

The community is welcomed to step into a world where art and pop culture collide with this electrifying art exhibition. Viewers can explore the dynamic and ever-evolving landscape of popular culture through the creative lens of our talented exhibiting artists. From iconic comic book characters to beloved musicians, this exhibition celebrates the vibrant tapestry of pop culture in all its forms. Viewers are invited to immerse themselves in a kaleidoscope of colors, textures, and styles as each work captures the essence and nostalgia of beloved pop culture movements. Join us in celebrating the power and influence of pop culture in this captivating exhibition that bridges the gap between art and the zeitgeist of our times.

Exhibiting Artists:

Angel Barris, Ashley Chafin, Brandon Smith, Corey, Daryl Bibicoff, Castro Frank, Jermaine Saunders, Jessi Hernandez, JJ Pomegranate, Lynnda Rakos, Michael Montemayor, U.S. Department of Illegal Superheroes, Pamela Mooney, Raffaella Malazarte, Robert Koss, Rosanne Haddad, Sam Pocker, @whalelovergirls

How to Purchase Artwork:

For inquiries and to purchase artwork, please contact the artist directly. Delivery will be arranged by the artist after the show ends on January 12, 2024.



Angel Barris, *Let No one Define Us*, Acrylic and Oil, 48" x 48" x 2"



Angel Barris, *What Does Your Reflection Say?*, Acrylic and Oil, 18" x 24" x 2"



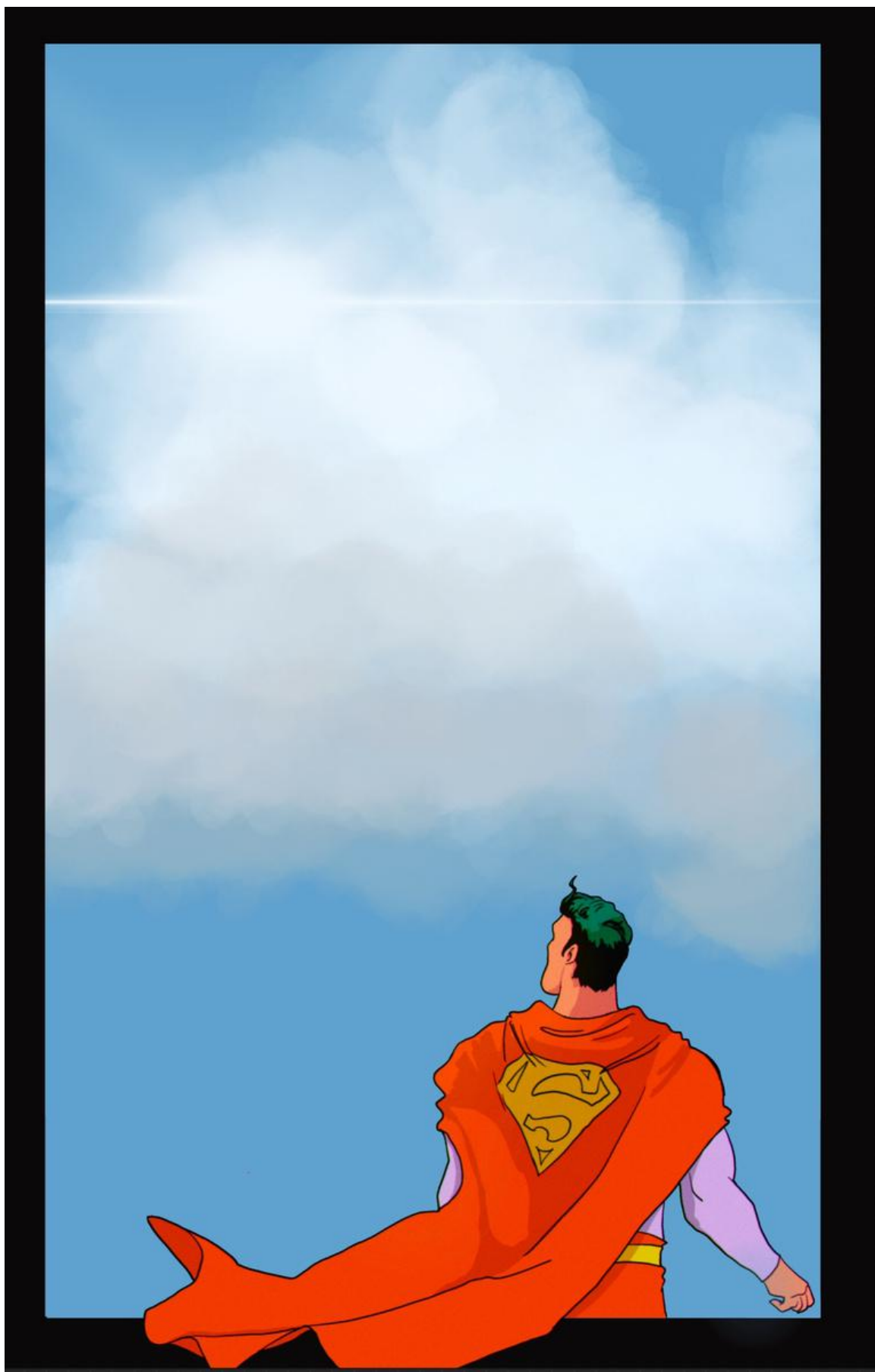
Angel Barris, *Your Imagination Goes Wild*, Acrylic, Oil, Detergent, Fiber, Yarn, Glitter, Kisses wraps, 36" x 48" x 2"



Ashley Chafin, *Mikey Walsh*, Acrylic, Earring backs, Gems, 12" x 12" x 1"



Brandon Smith, *GOKU*, Digital Print on Recycled Paper, Dipped in Coffee,
11" x 17"



Brandon Smith, *Man of Tomorrow*, Digital Print, 11" x 17"



Daryl Bibicoff, *Retro Pop Culture Woman*, Digital Art, 18" x 18" x 1"



Daryl Bibicoff, *Retropolitan Pop Culture Portrait*, Digital Art, 18" x 18" x 1"



Castro Frank, *Orange and Blue food stamps-1992*, Acrylic on Canvas, 60" x 40"



Jermaine Saunders, *Block Buster Video Christmas*, Digital Art, 30" x 30" x 1"



Jermaine Saunders, *Disney Land Forever*, Digital Art, 30" x 30" x 1"



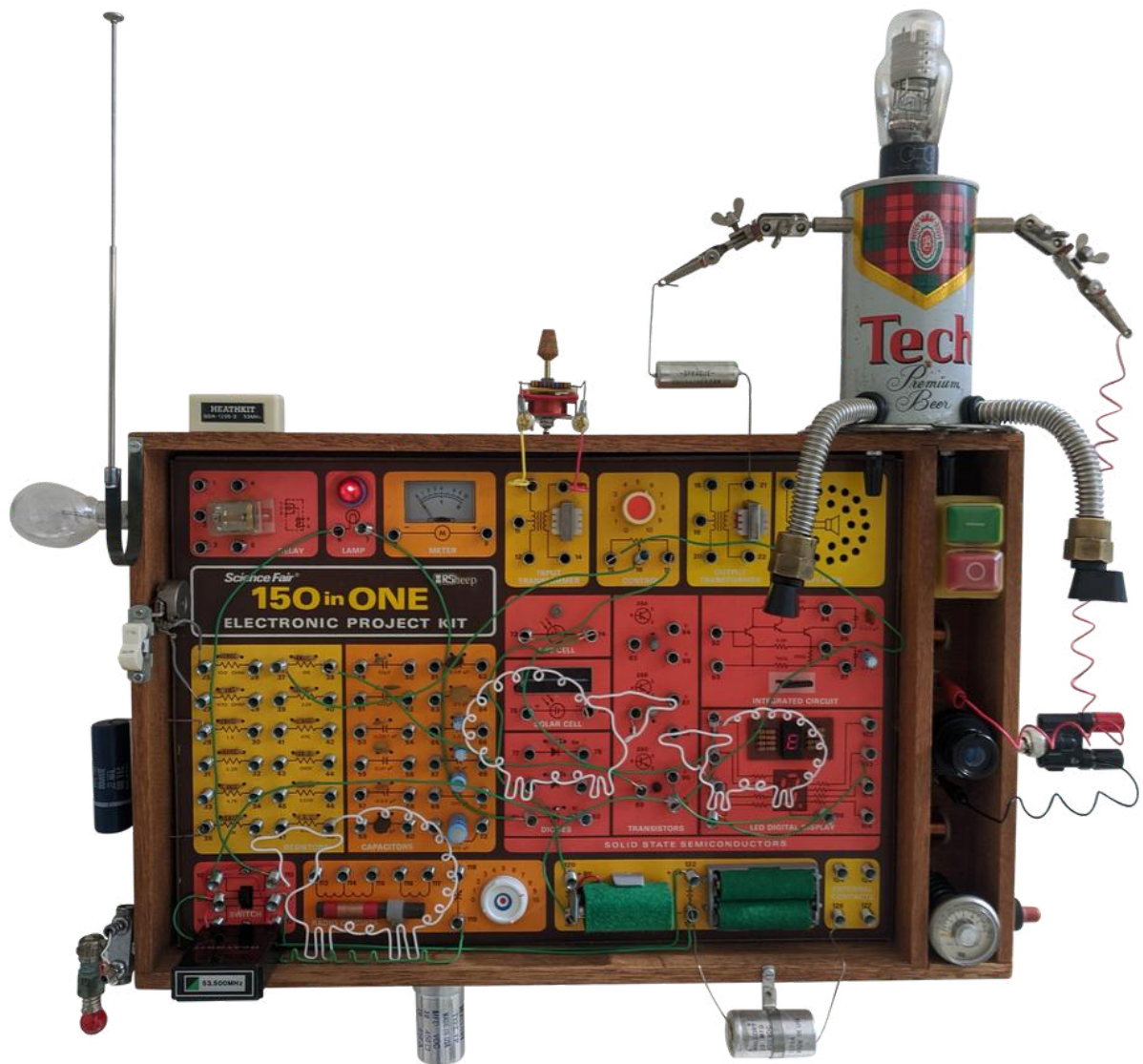
Jermaine Saunders, *Jack in the Box Ocean*, Digital Art, 30" x 30" x 1"



Jessie Hernandez, *Bats*, Digital Art, 9" x 9"



Jessie Hernandez, *The 90's*, Digital Art, 10" x 10"



JJ Pomegranate, *Candroids Dream of Electric Sheep*, Mixed Media,
22" x 22" x 4"



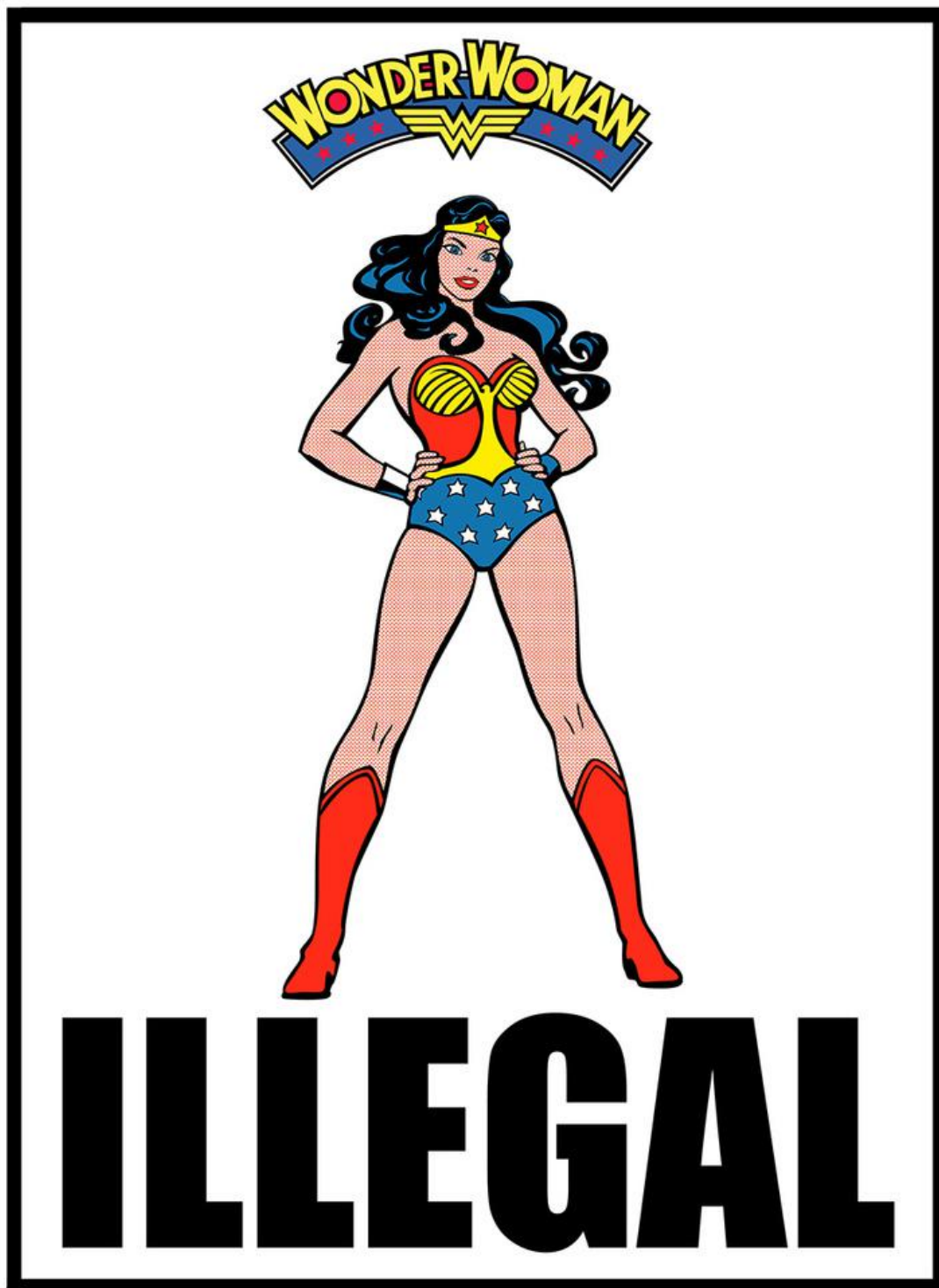
Lynnda Rakos, *Elton*, Mixed Media, 30" x 40"



Michael Montemayor, *Iga Toad Style 1*, Sumi Ink and Watercolor on Washi Paper, 14" x 8"



Michael Montemayor, *Iga Toad Style 3*, Sumi Ink and Watercolor on Washi Paper, 14" x 8"



Superheroes who enter this country without proper authorization are breaking the law, **plain and simple**. These illegal superheroes are subject to deportation at any time. Their very presence is in direct violation of federal law. To report an illegal superhero, contact the national hotline for the **U.S. Department of Illegal Superheroes- ICE DISH**. The agency has several field offices, facilities, and sets of operations in the United States. ICE DISH Officers are obligated to make records of any reported illegal superhero activity.

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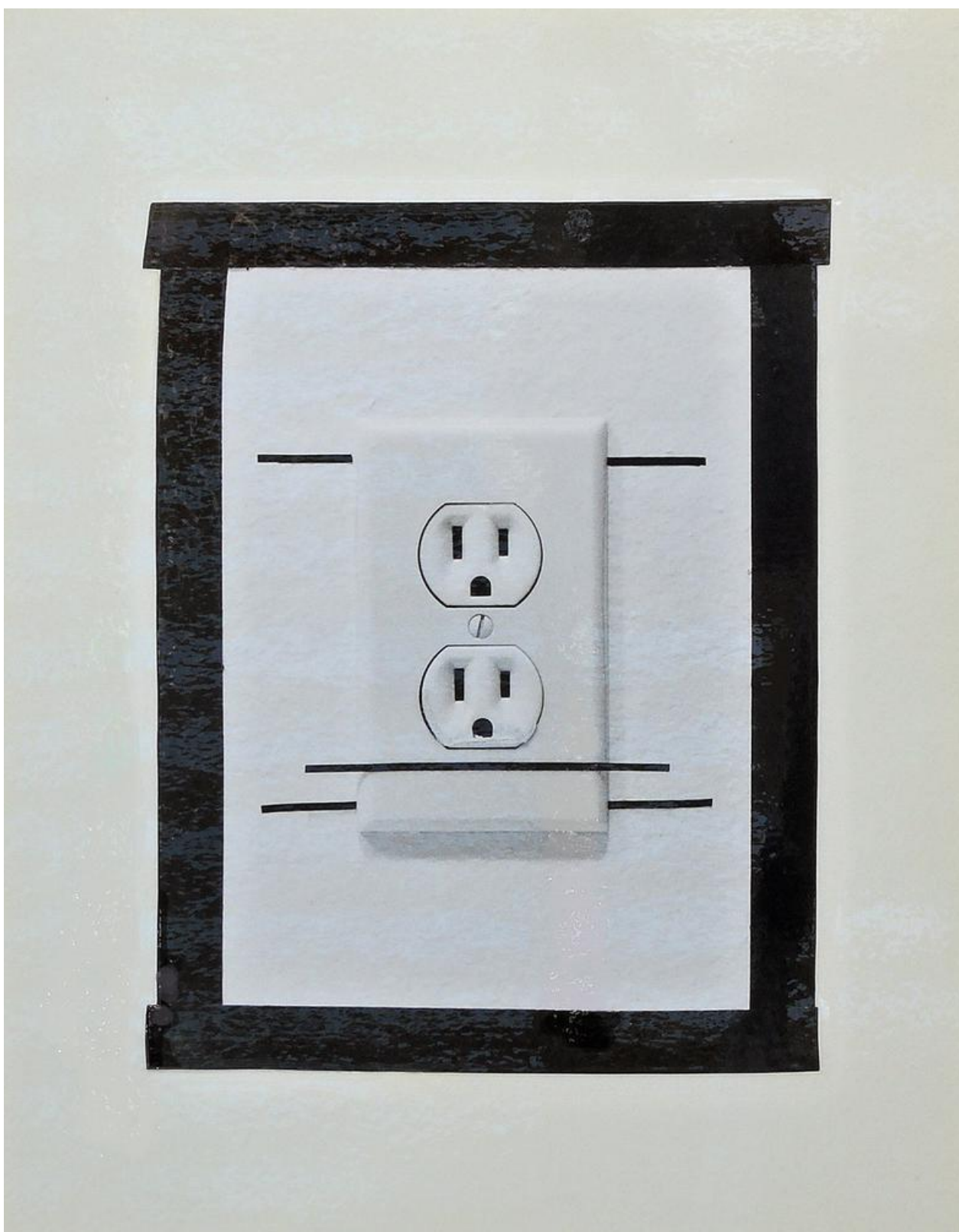
U.S. Department of Illegal Superheroes, *Illegal Superheroes, Series 1*
(*Wonder Woman*), Archival Inkjet Print on Cotton Rag with Active Telephone
Hotline, 11" x 17"



Pamela Mooney, *It is Not Easy to Be the Receiver of Cultural Memories*, Oil on Canvas, 40" x 30"



Raffaella Malazarte, *Love Wins*, Oil on Canvas, 36" x 36"



Robert Koss, *Outlet B*, Silver Print, 11" x 14" x 2"



Rosanne Haddad, *Dog Portrait with Bandaged Ear and Pipe*, Oil on Panel, 13" x 11"



Sam Pocker, *Revealing the Beauty*, Photo Collage, 24" x 36" x 3"



Sam Pocker, *In the Shadow of Life*, Photo Collage, 24" x 36" x 3"



@whalelovergirls, *Spirit of the Youth* (L'Trimm), Assembled Fabric, 8' x 11'

EXHIBITION LOCATIONS

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Santa Clarita City Hall
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Canyon Country

Jo Anne Darcy Library

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Valencia Public Library

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Valencia Public Library - Childrens' Area

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Newhall Community Center

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Old Town Newhall Library

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Canyon Country Community Center

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