

### "Being the First Latino to be commissioned to commemorate the 2006 US Olympic Team and USOC to represent the 2006 Olympics for the United States, I want to make sure that I am Not the Last" Jesse Raudales

Internationally acclaimed celebrity artist Jesse Raudales, whose work is featured in museums, galleries, organizations, and homes of many collectors, displays a deep sense of Pure Originality, Beauty, Spirituality, Strength and Reality in his images. For any artist, it would be a dream come true to be selected as one of the artists to create an image to commemorate the 2006 US Olympic Team. That dream is now a reality for Jesse Raudales, a North Hollywood based artist, who was selected among thousands of applicants to represent the 2006 Olympic Games, standing next to his fellow artist, Jane Seymour and Peter Maxx. His Olympic painting, "Peace for the Children of the World" opened in California, toured to New York and then went on to the Olympic Games in Torino, Italy. Since becoming an Olympian, Raudales has been honored by the NAACP, FBI, Warner Bros. and the EPICC Center and featured as a rising artist in international press. Raudales was the first Latino artist from the USA chosen for the 2006 Olympic Games and has received high acclaim for his passion to paint and dedication as a father. His artwork has been featured on television and in the homes of many celebrities including Academy Award nominee, Terrence Howard, Snoop Dogg, Dr. Dre, Rick James, and many more. He has also designed logos and airbrushed fashion concepts for celebrities such as MC Hammer and the late James Brown. His list of accomplishments also includes designing logos for Martin L. King III, basketball star Dwayne Wade and the official Miss USA Pageant logo.

The story of Raudales begins in North Carolina and has captured the hearts of many. Born stillborn, his mother prayed to God to let her son live. She coddled him for several minutes and miraculously, Jesse gasped for air and was brought to life. His mother honored her gift from God by naming her son Jesus Guadalupe Raudales but after several years of being teased at school, he was later nicknamed Jesse. Jesse Raudales is active in his community and continues to donate his originals to a variety of nonprofits including the Make-A-Wish Foundation, Zo's Summer Grove, Sparks Of Hope, Inc., The OASIS, Hands United Together, and the Boys and Girls Club of America. In February 2007, his Peace for the Children art show was hosted by long-time friend and client, Terrence Howard, and was held at CCH Pounder's art gallery (Pounder Kone Art Space). Jesse showcased five original paintings marked with the handprint of his son, Jesse Jr., honoring children around the world who are victims of child abuse. Jesse's art exhibits include Colors to Life Beautiful, an exhibition inspired by Alice Walker's Color Purple at the 626 Gallery at Studio B in downtown LA's gallery row and his solo show, My Real Name is Jesus, hosted by Jermaine Jackson which was also held at 626, focusing on his life story and the inspiration behind his most versatile works. His art has been showcased at many galleries and private shows around the world including Downing Gross Art Gallery, Epoxybox, Chase Mitchell, The Oliver Nestus Freeman Roundhouse Museum, Carver County Museum, Million Dollar Make the Discovery Retreat for the Oscars® and the City of Annapolis' first annual Dia De Los Muertos - Day of the Dead celebration and Capital Gazette, a Baltimore Sun Media Group publication.

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## **Appearances and Events**

May 13, 1998 Neri Art Gallery, Santa Monica Ave. in Beverly Hills, CA (Come Join Me)

January - March 2006 Olympic Tour

February 2006 Epoxy Gallery Venice Beach, CA

May 18, 2006 Peace for the World Exhibit Beverly Hills Hotel, Beverly Hills, CA

March 2006, 2007 Make the Discovery Oscar Retreat Beverly Hills, CA

April 2007 Art Exhibit for Federal Bureau of Investigation Los Angeles, CA

May 2006 Boys & Girls Club Exhibit Santa Ana, CA

July, 2006 Panel Speaker; Warner Bros Studios

November 1-24, 2006 Chase Mitchell Gallery Santa Ana, CA Tommy Ford hosts Olympic Exhibit

November 9, 2006 (KISS) Gene Simmons Ambrose Event Hollywood, CA Speed painting performance on Red Carpet

February 2007 NoHo Arts Gallery North Hollywood, CA Hosts by Pete Escavido

February 2, 2007 CCH Pounder Kone Artspace Hosted Glendale, CA Terrence Howard hosts "Peace for the Children" exhibit

December 2007 – March 2008 626 Gallery, Studio B Los Angeles, CA Colors to Life Beautiful exhibition inspired by Alice Walker Color Purple

April 2008 626 Gallery Los Angeles, C A Jermaine Jackson hosts "My Real Name is Jesus" Exhibit

November 2008 OIC Graduating Class Speaker Wilson, NC 27893 Motivational Speaker for Graduating Class of 2008

February 20, 2009 Guest Speaker for Radio One Radio Station Raleigh, NC

February 21, 2009 First community Stellar Awards Honored Guest Wilson, NC 27893

September 13, 2011 Fort Lee Military Base Honored Guest Jesse Raudales

March 3rd-24<sup>th</sup> Silvana Gallery Jesse Raudales One-man 1731 West Glenoaks Blvd. Suite 200 Glendale, CA

2014 Los Angeles Sports Achievement Association 17225 Palisades Circle Pacific Palisades, Ca

April 29th, 2015 Guest Speaker for CHCI Library Of Congress Washington, DC

2015 First Baptist Church of Chapel Hill 106 N Robertson Street Chapel Hill, NC 27516

February 16, 2016 JRI Art Classes Activism through Art Wilson, NC

March 11th, 2016 Latino Leaders United met with Charlie Faris Wilson, NC

March 8th, 2016 Met with Jean Farmer Butterfield NC House District 24. Made an Honorary Consultant

March 2nd 2016 JRI First Latino Voter Registration Drive in Wilson, NC

April 28th, 2016 Guest Speaker at Sallie B Howard School of the Arts in Wilson, NC

April 29th, 2016 Whirligig park groundbreaking Ceremony

April 11th, 2016 Video Shoot for Vollis Simpson Documentary Wilson, NC

May 6, 2016 Honorary Judge at John W Jones School Wilson, NC

August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2016 City of Wilson proclamation of Jesse Raudales Day in Wilson, NC August 22<sup>nd</sup> Guest Speaker for the Wilson Rotary Club

Sallie B Howard School art student filed trip Sept 7th with the City of Wilson Planning & Community Revitalization Department. Tour of the Mural painted by Jesse Raudales & Kimberly Van Dyk

Sept 10th, 2016 10 year Anniversary Art exhibition at the Downing-Gross Cultural Arts Center Newport News, VA

Sept 22<sup>nd</sup> 2016 Honored Guest at the Congressional Black Caucus Luncheon in Washington, D.C.

Sept 26 Honored Guest 2016 Rural Assembly Awards Dinner at the Embassy Suites in Cary, NC

Oct. 1st 2016 Still Standing & Steppin Out, Purple Affair – a benefit event that honors survivors of Domestic Violence. Jesse Raudales Inc. donated 2 20x30 reprints to be auctioned off and proceeds will go to Families effected by Domestic Violence in Atlanta, GA.

Oct. 29<sup>th</sup> Character Drawings for Kids at the Wilson Stop The Violence Event in Wilson, NC

Nov 3rd Paint n Sip Discover your inner artist and let your creativity flow. Bring your favorite bottle of wine and join US Olympic Artist, Jesse Raudales, for a stepby-step painting class in Atlanta, GA

Nov 4th at 7am Radio interview with "Michael and Joi in the Morning"

Nov. 4th, 2016 Association of Latino Professional for America to Honor 10 year Anniversary

The Commerce Club 191 Peachtree Street, 49th Fl Atlanta, GA

Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> Caricature Drawings for the Wilson County DSS for Adoption Awareness Event on November 19th benefiting the Foster Care and Adoption Agency

Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> 2016 Honored to be the Grand Marshall at the Wilson, North Carolina Christmas Parade

Jan 14<sup>th</sup> Play titled (Mirror Mirror) Written & directed by Tracey J at Wilson Fike High School auditorium at 7pm. Olympic Artist Jesse Raudales Art work featured in the Play and will also be acting in the Play

March 25<sup>th</sup> 2017 Special Guest and auctioning off some Artwork to benefit the2017 AKA Princess Ball October 22, 2017 Guest Speaker at First United Methodist Church100 Green St., Wilson, NC.

Oct. 24, 2017 Interview with ABC ALL MEN ROCK a lifestyle web series celebrating Men from around the world. <u>www.allmenrock.com</u>

November 3, 2017 Special Guest for Golf Women Mean Business Gala at the Commerce Club in Atlanta, GA

November 2017 Interview for EXPOSURE MAGAZINE issue as well. We have Darrin Henson on cover. <u>www.exposure-magazine.com</u>

2020 Roots101: African American Museum







Guest Speaker Olympic Artist Jesse Raudales Welcome to Hunt High School Home of the Warriors (Not open to the public)



On Friday Sept. 24, 2018, internationally acclaimed celebrity and first Latino Olympic artist, Jesse Raudales, visited Mayor Gavin Buckley and gave the City one of his signed limited edition Olympic reprints.

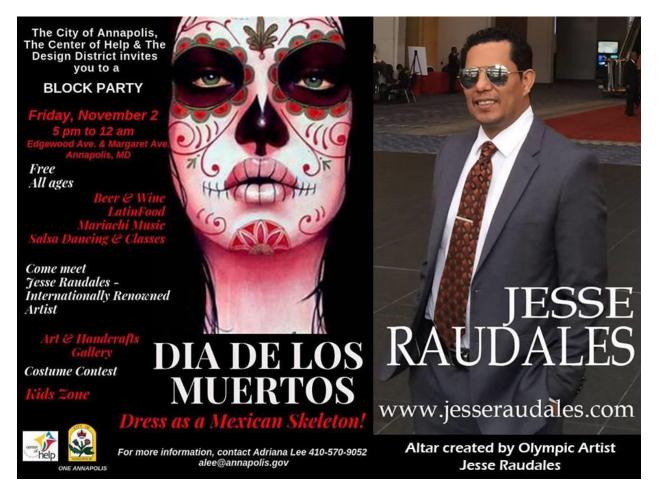
His Olympic painting, "Peace for the Children of the World," was selected among thousands applicants worldwide to represent the 2006 Olympic Games in Torino, Italy. Raudales has been honored by the NAACP, FBI, Warner Bros., the EPICC Center, CHCI, CBCF and ALPFA and featured as a rising artist in international press.

He has offered his time, knowledge and talent to the City of Annapolis and be part of the Mayor's initiative ONE ANNAPOLIS. Thank you, Jesse, for being an amazing example for our community.



Oct. 13, 2018 Benefiting children, adults, and families impacted by Mental health and substance use disorders. Hope Re-imagined: Night in Havana. Saturday, Sept. 15, 2018 6:30 - 10:30 pm The Byzantium 2747 Riva Road, Annapolis, MD.

October 30, 2018 Guest Speaker at the Wilson Parole Rotary Club



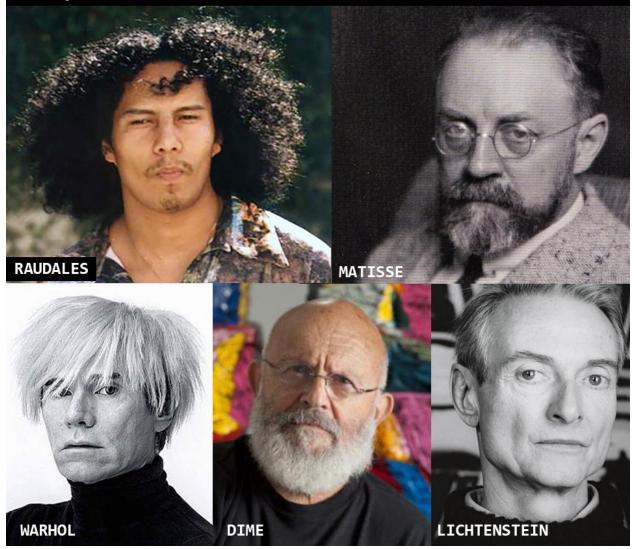
Nov. 2, 2018 Annapolis' first annual Dia De Los Muertos - Day of the Dead celebration. Capital Gazette, a Baltimore Sun Media Group publication. Annapolis' first annual Dia De Los Muertos - Day of the Dead celebration.

The City Of Annapolis November 26, 2018, Mayor Buckley and Alderman Marc Rodriguez presented citations to the team of businesses, community leaders and residents who helped make the first annual Dia De Los Muertos (Day of the Dead) event a huge success! Thank you to the Annapolis Design District for hosting and to the Center of Help for their efforts! Sean Schneider, David Hartcorn, Charlie Kopples – In Home Stone, Jesse Raudales, Kelly Price, Eric Coles, Patricia Coles, Berenice Schneider, and Rossio Smith.

What an honor to be here at the Annapolis City Council Meeting at Annapolis City Hall, for a special recognition from the City Council for the contributions to this year's "Day of the Dead" event.



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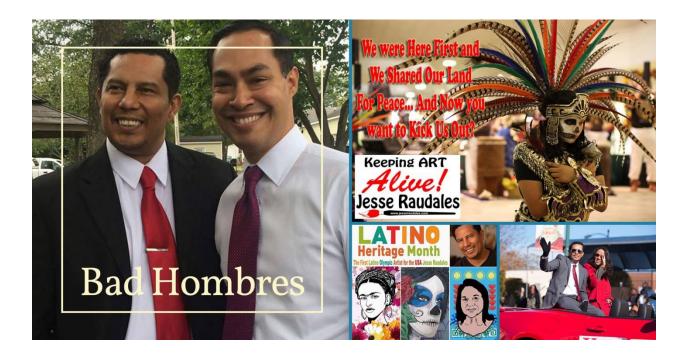
## By Brent Hopkins, Staff Writer POSTED: 11/17/05, 12:01 AM PST

NORTH HOLLYWOOD - Like a lot of guys, Jesse Raudales rents a two-bedroom apartment up the street from a taco shop, works a 9-to-5 job, dotes on his son as a single dad. But unlike those other guys, he's just been thrust into the international art world. The 34-year-old graphic designer's three painting series "Peace for the Children of the World" was recently selected by the U.S. Olympic Committee for use on its posters at the 2006 Winter Olympics in Turin, Italy. A simple series of lines that sketch out the dove of peace and the face of Raudales' 5-year-old son, Jesse Jr., the work will hang in the Olympic Village and be sold nationwide. This puts him in rarefied company among the art world's heavy hitters who command tens of thousands of dollars per work. Raudales did his on the kitchen table, dashed off in a couple of hours and sent off without much hope of being selected. Told to submit work that encompassed both winter sports and the concept of peace, he produced five paintings of toned skiers and skaters, then threw in a Picasso-influenced rendering of Jesse Jr.'s smiling visage. "When I think peace, I don't think of skiing, I think of my son," Raudales said. "I did this just as a last minute thing, and they just went crazy, man." Fine Art Ltd., a St. Louis-based company licensed by the United States Olympic Committee to handle artwork for the games, selected Raudales alongside much higher-profile artists, including actress Jane Seymour and the psychedelic-influenced Peter Max. "Jesse submitted work that we were all impressed with," said Jack Scharr, Fine Art's president. "Many of the most important artists in the world have done Olympic work in the past, but every now and then an artist like Jesse who's kind of unknown will create something that says something for the games and gets in there. It's just like an unknown athlete who comes in from nowhere and does something huge."

And Raudales indeed comes out of nowhere - his formal training consists of a brief stint at the Art Institute of Atlanta, before funds ran out and he moved to California to work as a security guard. He has no formal studio, just a spare bedroom without so much as an easel. In spite of this, Raudales boasts an impressive credit list in the hip-hop world, doing logo work for Dr. Dre and clothes for Snoop Dogg. One of his paintings once turned up in the late funk icon Rick James' home on MTV's "Cribs." Yet for all his prior success, he has had only one gallery show and that was a decade ago - and sells many of his original works on his Web site, www.jesseraudales.com, at discount prices. Landing the Olympics won't garner him immediate financial benefit, either. Though he still owns the original paintings, he will receive only 20 percent of the proceeds of poster sales, with the balance going to the USOC to fund the American team's operations. But the high profile he'll receive will be more than enough benefit, said Susan Manders, a Studio City artist and teacher whose painting "All Eyes On Me" graced posters for the 2004 Summer Olympics in Athens. "It's like once you're an Oscar winner, you're always an Oscar winner," said Manders, whose work now shows up in gift bags for the Emmy awards and appeared worldwide after the 2004 Olympics. "It's something you have for the rest of your career - and people really like it." When Manders' art made it to the games, she was already a well-established professional artist. Raudales, on the other hand, has no sponsors or patrons. He can't even afford to attend the games, where his work will play a prominent role, or the

nationwide tour of Olympic art. He still pulls a paycheck from Uniform Warehouse & Accessories, where he spends his days designing company badges and uniform patches. Raudales, a devout Christian who credits divine inspiration for his talent, professes no complaints about sending his art off to tour the world while he stays home, plugging away at his day job. While athletes mill around his work in Italy, he'll be laboring on his latest commissioned piece: a mural of the animated Chicken Little for Jesse Jr.'s room. "I may not have the funds to go on the tour, but my paintings will be there, my son's face will be there,"

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Jesse Raudales: Born Again

#### Artist Jesse Raudales by Melanie Mac (Sentinel Staff Writer)

With the anticipated weekend ahead the office was buzzing with excitement when I sat down to meet this extraordinary prolific Artist who is the 2006 Olympic Artist – the first artist to ever have three paintings consecutively featured in the Olympics! Jesse Raudales entered this world as a "still born" infant and was in route to be taken to the wing of the hospital for still born children under the directive of the attending physician when his mother, diligent and steadfast in her faith in GOD, enveloped her son in her arms and began to pray alongside his grandmother. His mother prayed and GOD answered her prayer because there I was seated across from him at this mahogany table witnessing this miracle before me as he shared his incredible journey as a true artist encompassing the natural talent and honed skill to paint, draw, sculpt, invent, photograph and capture those moments that will continue to take my breath away. For the first five years of his life his mother kept her promise to GOD naming her son after her savior Jesus and the angle Guadalupe. Jesus Guadalupe Raudales was clad in burlap robe, sandals and hair that was never cut. By the time, the young bi-racial/bi-cultural Jesus Guadalupe Raudales was five years old; his artistic talents were in full bloom. With careful nurturing from his mother, he learned to respect his gift and to give GOD the glory by expressing through his Art and Designs. Today, Jesus goes by the name Jesse Raudales and is admittedly "deeply religious." This African-Latin American Artist whose artwork is owned by Oscar nominated Terrence Howard, Actress Robin Givens, Actors Miguel Nunez, Guy Torry and Tommy Ford to name a few is taking the industry by storm – one stroke at a time. There are twenty-four people that own his paintings and all twenty-four just happen to be celebrities all stemming from his first art show that he produced and funded back in 1996. Actor Miguel Nunez who is among the many owners, gave Jesse's website to a movie producer Paul Goldsby who unbeknownst to him was affiliated with Teri Bernardi a member of Fine Art Limited and the Olympic committee. Bernardi fell in love with Raudales' work and contacted him. Although the six artists (Peter Maxx, Jane Seymour, Steve Allen, Alfred Gockel, Shan Gray and Tim Rodgerson) had already been selected and confirmed, Bernardi knowing that it was a long shot request that Jesse come up with something about peace being that we were in a time of war. Jesse thought about the peace meant to him and realized that he is at peace when he's with his son and thus created a beautiful sketch of his son's face adorned with a dove which Jesse pointed out Picasso used frequently to symbolize the presence of peace. This painting, which has been on tour with the Winter Olympics, is aptly titled "Peace For The Children Of The World." Although this is an incredible

story of how your gifts will make room for you, the reality is that even after being selected and confirmed on the day of his son's birthday, Oct. 13, he was faced with the challenge of raising \$60,000 just to participate and take his place alongside the other six Olympic Artist whose paintings sell for well over \$100K a piece. Jesse speaks to children often and he confidently admits that he knows his talent and he knows that he is just as good if not better than the next. He tells children, "Don't give up, follow your dreams- GOD has a plan for everybody but it is up to you to follow through with that plan." Jesus realizes his back is against the wall and in order to stay in the game he needs corporate sponsors, private donors and angle investors from our community to step up and support the work that he's doing just as the other artist who are non-black have investors from their respective communities step up and sponsor them to see them through. Jesse has a clear vision and welcomes GM, art collectors like Russell Simmons, Magic Johnson and others that share an appreciation for art and understand the business of what it takes to keep our artist in the mainstream so they, too succeed and flourish. To learn more about this rising Olympic Artist and more importantly, to support his work, visit his website: www.jesseraudales.com

I was honored to be at the New Columbia Statehood Commission today and presented Franklin Garcia the Shadow Member of the U.S. House of Representatives from the District of Columbia, with a signed replica of my Olympic painting "Peace For The Children Of The World" for his office. In attendance DC Mayor Muriel Bowser and Senator Michael Brown



Opening Reception - Friday, February 15th 7:00pm until May 26, 2019 at Montgomery Park -1800 Washington Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21230 Contact: artdromedabaltimore@gmail.com



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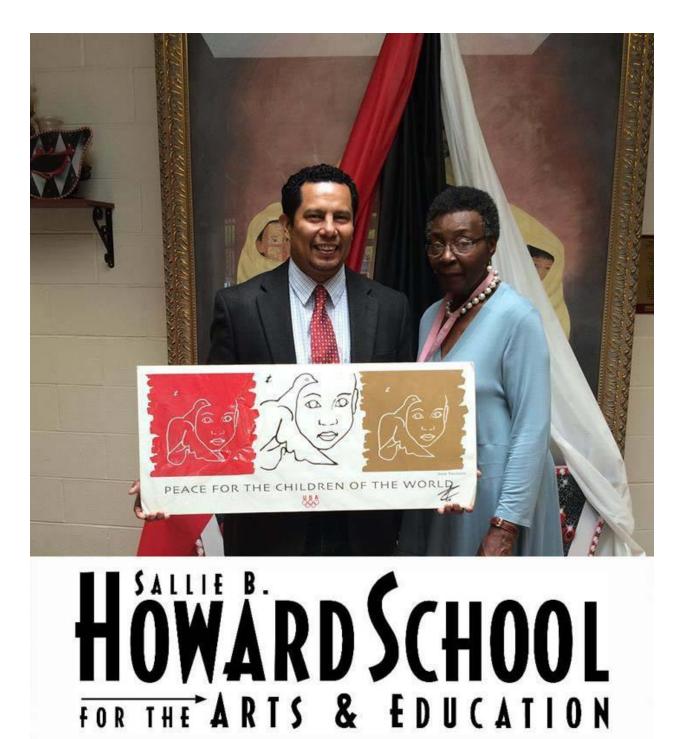
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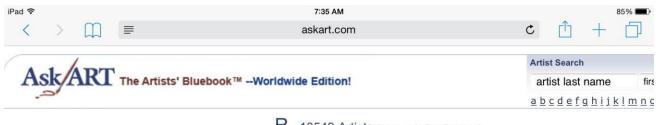
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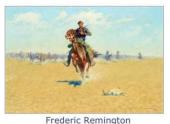


# Hispanic Heritage Month September 15-October 15



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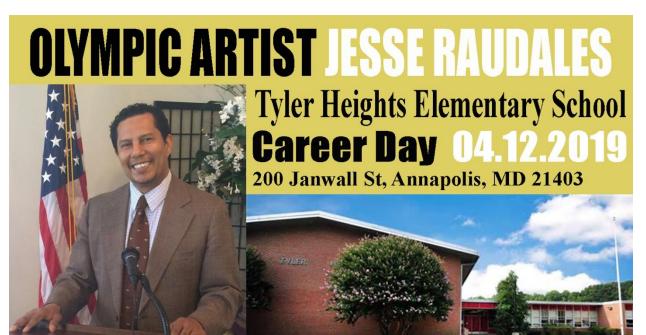


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Not Open To The Public







Ariana Perez: Jesse Raudales creates a dialogue through art in Annapolis



Jesse Raudales, right, is an acclaimed artist best known for his work on an image for the 2006 U.S. Olympic Team. His work was featured in a Cinco de Mayo show at 49 West where he met Tomasa Gomez and her daughter, Karen Carrillo-Gomez (Ariana Perez / Capital Gazette)

It's a little past 5 p.m. on Sunday, and the rain continues to pour down. Regardless of the gray spring weather and the multiple puddles that have accumulated through West Street, people march into 49 West Coffeehouse, where Jesse Raudales' art reception is being hosted to commemorate Cinco de Mayo. Attendees are directed to go to the back room of the small coffee shop, where the main event is taking place and where salsa music can be heard playing. One of Celia Cruz's hits comes on next and those sitting on chairs begin to tap their feet to the beat of the song as they mingle with others nearby. The mix of art, music and laughter sets the mood — one of culture, celebration and recognition.

As more people trickle in, the chit-chatter overpowers the music in the background and the excitement begins to build. From the entrance, all the way to the back, Jesse's artwork hangs on the walls. The displays are hard to ignore. The artwork's strokes of various vivid colors quickly

catch the attention of those just entering through the front door. In true Cinco de Mayo style, bright yellows, oranges and reds bring to life the portraits of some of the most renown influencers in the Hispanic culture — among them Frida Kahlo and Selena Quintanilla.

One familiar display in the back corner of the room seems to get the most attention. It's a painting of Yanela Sanchez, the two-year-old Honduran girl who was crying as she witnessed a U.S. Border Patrol officer pat down her mother in Texas before they were both taken into custody.

"I was born to a Mexican mother who crossed the border when she was pregnant with me," Jesse said. "With everything going on today, and families being separated, it really touches me. I can use my platform as an Olympic artist to voice my opinion and speak for those that can't. That's what I try to do with my art."

Jesse is an internationally acclaimed celebrity artist who is best known for being selected as one of the artists to create an image to commemorate the 2006 U.S. Olympic Team. His Olympic painting, "Peace For The Children Of The World," won him the title of the first Latino Olympic artist for the United States.

Since earning this recognition, Jesse has been honored by the NAACP, FBI, Warner Bros. and The EPICC Center, among others. He is active in his community and continues to donate his originals to a variety of nonprofits including the Make-A-Wish Foundation, Zo's Summer Grove and Sparks Of Hope, to name a few.

"Jesse's artwork creates a dialogue and elevates social consciousness," said Alderman Marc Rodriguez, the first Hispanic/Latino City Council member and host for the evening. "Everyone has their own experience and background but when you have a constructive dialogue and you share the same goal of improving people's lives, we can get there.

"We have to make sure we listen to each other. I think what Jesse does through his work is similar to what I do with my colleagues at the council. It's for everyone to witness, to enjoy, ask questions about it and engage. It's about everyone having a seat at the table and having a fair shot."

A few weeks ago, Jesse visited Tyler Heights Elementary School for a career day. He remembers noticing most students were Hispanic and recalled that several people approached him to ask what he did for a living.

"I was dressed up and wearing a suit," he says. "I had to explain to them what I did because I wanted to empower them and make them to feel like they can accomplish it too. I come from a single-parent home and that didn't stop me, and that's what I told them. Life is going to hit you hard, you just have to find a different route."

Representing community through art, Jesse says he hopes to help inspire the younger Hispanic generations, saying they should not be ashamed of where they come from.

"I always tell younger kids to feel empowered," he said. "Your parents were brave enough to bring you here, be motivated to do better for them."



One of Jesse Raudales's works depicts Yanela Sanchez, the 2-year-old Honduran girl who was crying as she witnessed a U.S. Border Patrol officer pat down her mother in Texas before they were both taken into custody. (Ariana Perez / Capital Gazette)

# Annapolis City Hall To Host Art Exhibit for Olympic Artist Jesse Raudales Grifo Laffino" Artist Reception Monday Sept. 9, 2019

City Hall Art Exhibition 160 Duke of Gloucester Street Annapolis, Maryland, 21401

Open to the public Starts 5:30pm - 7pm

Jesse Raudales, Inc. www.jesseraudales.com manager@jesseraudales.com







# **City Council Citation**

# Jesse Raudales, Inc.

On behalf of the residents of the City of Annapolis, we are pleased to confer upon you this City Council Citation in recognition of your talent and your contributions to art in the City of Annapolis. As an internationally acclaimed artist who calls Annapolis home, your work highlights events that are current, making your voice unique. Your work amplifies important interests for people of all communities. We are excited to showcase your beautiful paintings in the hallways of City Hall for the month of September and we are proud to host the artist reception tonight. Congratulations on all of your artistic accomplishments and thank you for sharing them with the residents of the City of Annapolis!

Given Under Our Hands and the Great Seal of the City of Annapolis this 9<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2019.

Gavin Buckley Mayor

Eleanor Tierney Ward 1 Alderwomay

Rob Savidge

Ward 7 Alderman

Frederick M. Paone

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The unveiling of the Maestro by Olympic Artist Jesse Raudales at Carver 4-County Museum located at 9432 James Madison Hwy, Culpeper, VA 22733 website: www.carer4cm.org. The Maestro will become a pemanent exhibit within the museum.





September 2019 Donated my signed Official USA Olympic reprint (18x24) along with a Certificate of Authenticity to help raise money for the Community Christian School Sports Teams.



Tuesday October 8th, 2019 Celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month by Speaking to the students as a Hispanic leader at Hillsmere Elementary School located at 3052 Arundel on the Bay Rd Annapolis, MD 21403

# Panel Guest Olympic Artist Jesse Raudales



October 25, 2019 the first Hispanic Heritage Celebration at Hillsmere Elementary today! Hispanic Leaders including Olympian Gladys Natali Quizhpi, Olympian Artist Jesse Raudales, Annapolis Leader Adriana Lee, and Journalist Ariana Perez was so inspirational to our student and teacher community



November 16, 2019 Olympic Artist Jesse Raudales will draw Caricature Drawings of the Adopted Children from Wilson County Department of Social Services.



# ADOPTION



Character Drawings by Olympic Artist Jesse Raudales Bounce Houses FacePainting Food & Drinks

For more information: (252) 206-4000 Wilson Community Church 2301 Montgomery Dr. W. Wilson, NC, 27893 Jan. 14, 2020 Meeting with Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton to give her my USA Official Olympic signed Reprint for her office at the House of Representatives in Washington, DC.



# **Annapolis Immigration Justice Network**

The below original art called "Grito Latino" will be auctioned at our 3rd Annual "Border Crossings" fundraiser on February 16th to help support the Annapolis Immigration Justice Network.

Jesse Raudales was the first Latino to be commissioned to commemorate the 2006 US Olympic Team and USOC to represent the 2006 Olympics for the United States!



Parting with a piece is bitter sweet. Annapolis Immigration Justice Network's 3rd Annual Fundraiser was moving and inspiring. It's great that they have the support of County Executive Stuart Pittman for this important work! (Olympic artist Jesse Raudales, Michele Gilliam Morrissey, County Executive Stuart Pittman, Laura Willoughby Perry, and Misti Mukherjee)



I was honored to be a guest at the Maryland Legislative Latino Caucus today. Pictured Left to Right: Del Brooke Lierman, Senator Malcolm Augustine, Del Lorig Charkoudian, Jesse Raudales, Del Joseline Peña-Melnyk, Del Anne Healey, Del Heather Bagnall, and Del David Fraser-Hidalgo. I was also honored to be recognized on the State House Floor as well.



### BWI Art Exhibit Hosted by The First Lady of Maryland Yumi Hogan

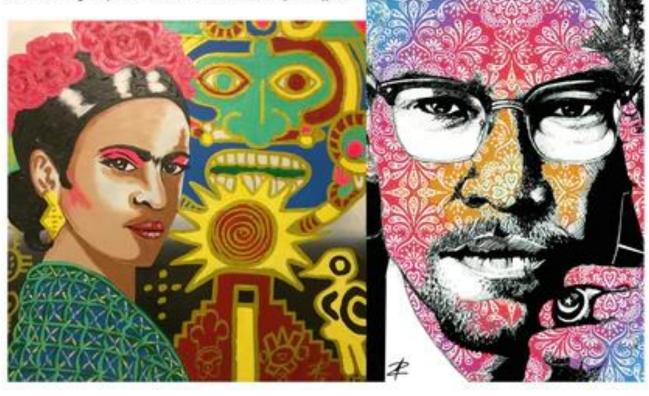


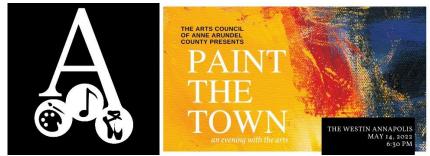
The intention of this exhibition is to start a conversation about the complexity of the Latino world often ignored by our society. One defines the word LATINO as a person of Latin American origin or descent, but often the fact that Latin America is composed of 20 countries and 14 dependent territories with a rich and diverse culture is ignored. Latinos are stereotyped and thought as homogeneous.

The artwork found in this exhibition is a small but mighty example of how different but, still, incredibly strong the many Latino points of view can be. This group of Latino artists come from a heterogeneous mix of cultures and express themselves in a way that is true to who they are. That is the beauty of diversity, and the beauty of understanding who you are without the boundaries created by stereotypes.



**Olympic Artist Jesse Raudales** 





Olympic Artist Jesse Raudales Donates an Original Art Painting to be auctioned off to help raise funds for the Arts Council of Anne Arundel County's Paint The Town Event





"Jesse is a wonderful and great artist" Ed. Weinberger

> Owns several Jesse Raudales Originals

"Jesse is just an awesome Artist with a Wonderful talent" --- Terrence Howard

**Owns 3 Jesse Raudales Originals** 

"Jesse as many of you know is 1 of 6 artist selected for the Olympics, so he is not only our local pride and joy but he is an international pride and joy" --- Tommy Ford

**Owned several Jesse Raudales Originals** 



**Owns a Jesse Raudales Original** 

"I just love his artwork, his art is just beautiful. He donated one of his pieces to help raise money for my EarthCare nonprofit" ---- Jermaine Jackson

Owns a Jesse Raudales Original

Tom Joyner owns a Jesse Raudales Original



"Jesse is my homeboy from NC and he is just an awesome artist. I have several of his originals, you better get one now while you can"

---Miguel A. Nunez, Jr.

**Owns some Jesse Raudales Originals** 

Other Celebrities who own a Jesse Raudales Original

Kym Whitley Darrin Henson Ernie Hudson Valarie Pettiford Sherrie Shepherd Claudia Wells And many more...