Artist: Adriana Netro

Los Restos / The Remains

Candidato para 2020

La Jijurnia se postula For the presidential race. 20/20 is the clave To resolve la migra haze.

Ser bilingüe está caliente, ¡Multicolor es a plus! Know the Law? Indispensable. ¡Respetuoso es a must!

What could be her plataforma? What the actions...what the facts? We do need a big reforma? No more fractions, ¡sólo paz!

At the rally she gets ready Pays attention to the words: Armas, health care, crime, finanzas Hunger, safety, visas, drugs.

Almost loses la chaveta When she reads the tweeter news From somebody demonizing Gente, pueblo, race and groups.

"This invasion" reads the tweeter
"Takes our privileges away"
Talk about lower salaries, paying taxes
what's the weight !!!

New routine in the horizon Comes to make the people cry Senseless shootings, tearful children Padre y madre gritan: ¡AY!

I may be bones without carne
I like that you can see through me
My agenda is Law and Order
No fame, no gold... just outdo

Constitution !!!
Destitution !!!
Distribution !!!
Evolution !!!

¡Tengo hambre de justicia I'm so hungry! —"¡basta ya!" Con taquitos de trumpita My starvation pasará.

If a new one is not elected And we feel the same dejection And we don't see better solutions And do not have better corrections.

Please, be aware of my fiereza I have teeth to rip out flesh, I will see you where the darkness Reigns forever—what a feast!

¡Ay, qué jija, la Jijurnia! ¡Por un pelo, es elegida! Risas, fiesta, pan and flowers And remember...no está muerta

-Adriana Netro 2019

Mictecacihuatl Constructs Ofrendas

Mictecacihuatl's view of the World is from mountain tops. Her visions stretch for eons back before time was time. Which makes it easy for her to recognize the smell of blood and fear coming toward her. For she has created that mixture with a wave of her hands as pronouncements that later were written on stone temples. She is the Lady of the Dead and goddess of the death's bones who had ruled the underworld with only her quiet husband's words sprinkled like the spice of dropped leaves.

Swollen from 1,000 years of knowing she observed the foreigners who clanked her way. Those pale skinned people that she found beneath her. Until they sacrificed in her forests and sang songs against her. Crawling like ants they were, all hairy and smelling of the things they devoured.

With amulets of marigolds woven in her hair and the smell of many crushed flowers rubbed into her skin she pounced.

Pulled them into swamps where they died of thirst.

Boiled them in their metal casing. Starved them until with glittering eyes they ate each other. Come here my new little children she says. I shall decorate my chambers with ofrendas made from your teeth, bones, and hide. Ofrendas to the beauty of death. While the inhabitants in my underworld Kingdom dance pulling you apart limb by limb.

-Jeanie Sanders

Calaca a mi perro

De mañana, tarde y noche Por el boulevard husmeando corría. En el parque lo mismo hacía sin reproche y ya cansado, dormía el resto del día.

Cuando su amo de la chamba venía Brincando y moviendo la cola, día tras día el Nugget lo recibía Tanto era su gusto que parecía que moría. Artist: Carla Rivera

Con los años el frío al Nugget debilitó y junto con sus amos a Texas se marchó.
Al principio el chaparrito can no se inmutó Y en la tierra tejana contento la pasó

Nadie pensaba que los 18 años rebasaría Aunque ya casi no caminaba y mucho sufría Con nadie se quejaba y su dolor cargaba A sus amos eso les amargaba.

El galeno de los perros con pesar lo recibió Le sobó la pata delantera y luego se la inyectó

Y el mejor amigo en paz dormido quedó La lagrima del amo, enseguida sobre él cayó Animo! La calaca al oído le predicó Piensa en los años de lealtad que el Nugget te brindó.

-Víctor M. Cortés

Night of Hope for MECA



On Saturday, November 16 from 6 to 9 PM, the San Antonio chapter of Jewish Voice for Peace welcomes everyone to join us at the Student Engagement Center at University of the Incarnate Word for a wonderful evening to support the Middle East Children's Alliance (MECA)

The evening will feature dinner, music, and a celebration of the beauty and diversity of Palestinian culture, for this the 6th fundraising gala by San Antonio JVP.

Tickets for the Night of Hope are only \$40 general admission and \$25 for students.

Visit the Facebook event page "6th Annual Night of Hope: Fundraiser for the Children of Gaza" or email sanantonio@jvp.org for more information and to purchase tickets.

music • dance • art and crafts • henna skin painting • poetry

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