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LETTER TO AZTLAN - January 2017

by: Xenaro Ayala

Compañerxs-Querida Raza, as we enter another it's time to evaluate and reflect on what we did-in 2016 and what we-as individuals and as an organization must do in 2017. As organizers of The National La Raza Unida Party-NLRUP, and people of "The Southwest"-AZTLAN, where we live and struggle for justice, dignity, self-determination and liberation, we MUST hold ourselves accountable to our principles, to better determine what needs to be done to further our goals in the coming year(s).

is a must that can only be accomplished when our Partido stands out in our communities as the only true alternative to the corrupt and abusive Two Party Dictatorship-democrats and republicans. It must also be said, that when we refer to the "CHICANO COMMUNITY", we mean all Raza, our official position is that a Chicana/Chicano, are all Indigenous Raza living in Aztlan, regardless of US-social or Immigration status.

An issue that created fear and reaction among our people in 2016, which demonstrated the historical corruption and undemocratic values of US-politics, was-is the TRUMP racist/inflammatory

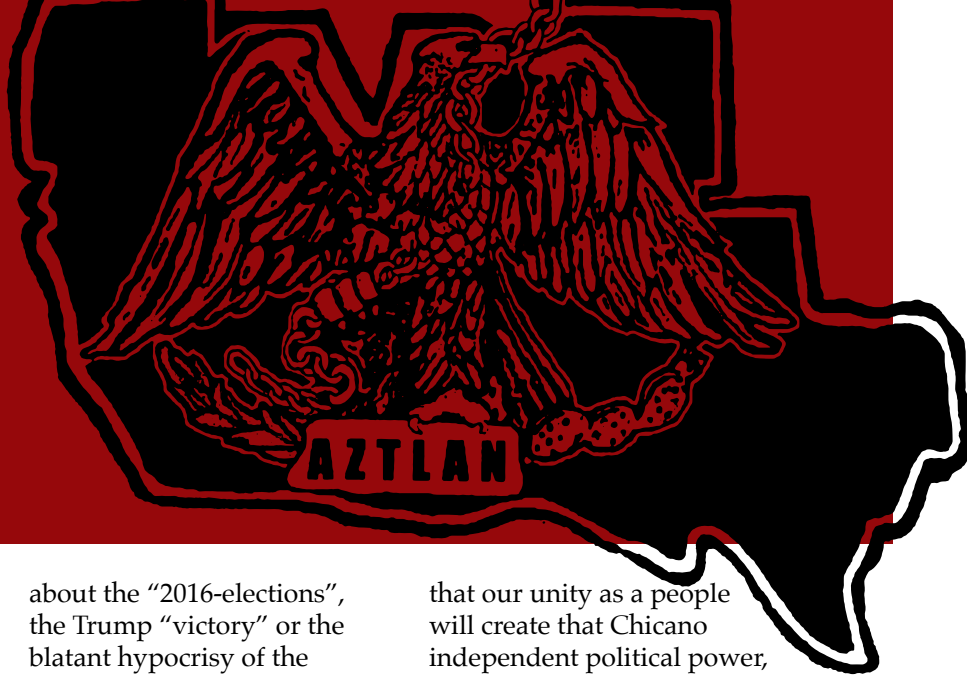
campaign. Yet even worse was the blatant display of corporate political dictatorship and manipulation

A CALL TO ALL THOSE WHO WANT JUSTICE, SELF- DETERMINATION AND LIBERATION.

Definitely there were strives forward by the NLRUP that have raised the conscious of our people and advanced our organizing. However, there is much we have to do.

As we reflect/analyze our work in 2016 one issue stands out, we need to be visible in our communities, AS OUR COMMUNITIES MUST BE ORGANIZE, IN ORDER TO CREATE THAT INDEPENDENT POLITICAL POWER. This fact overall

in the "Elections"-and the entire US-political system. This made it clear to most that DEMOCRACY DOES NOT EXIST IN THE USA. The Trump Victory and racist foundation that is still very much alive in the USA makes clear, there's no question-Chicanos/La Raza MUST look toward their own independent political organization, and that can only come about when our people unite under the National La Raza Unida Party. We can get "EMOTIONAL"



about the “2016-elections”, the Trump “victory” or the blatant hypocrisy of the Trump-aberration, BUT, that will not resolve much unless we unite-organize and take action as a people, uniting our power under La Raza Unida Party. Our HISTORICAL MEMORY (as Chicanos Mexicanos /Indigenous Raza) of the “Southwest” has been witness to the US-Settler Colonizer’s ability to control our people inducing-passiveness, confusion, and FEAR, condemning Raza to a generational hopelessness, that make us “scape-goats” for US-social, political and economic failures, reducing this hopelessness to a callous response by some, “whatever”, “You can’t fight city hall”, or “I don’t get involved with politics”.

Nonetheless, the solution to this hopelessness is with in each of us- as we realize

that our unity as a people will create that Chicano independent political power, in which the Partido becomes the harness that brings together that power which is literally waiting to be organized to struggle in our interest. Yes Raza, there is a choice, we just have to accept that we don’t have to live as a third world nation in our barrios or second class US-subjects in our own land.

Unfortunately there are some who still don’t recognize their own worth (and that of our people) thinking we can’t be successful without the blessing of the colonizer, TO THOSE-compañeras and compañeros we say, DON’T FEAR, take that first step-which is always the hardest, there is no question, UNITED we can pull ourselves out of that hopeless pit US-society has pushed all Indigenous people into, “ La Raza Unida” is that humanity,

that common-value, that lives in all of us AND YERNS TO BE UNITED. The NLRUP is our tool for unity, organization and liberation as human beings. The NLRUP has been struggling for Chicano / Raza political empowerment- NEVER GIVING UP, for 46 years. Our mission is the liberation of our minds, as we build self-determination. Its undeniable, neither the republicans, or “democrats”, much less “The Rogue Republican”-Donald Trump, have our interest in mind, since they all are owned by the “Corporate Machine” and put ‘PROFITS BEFORE PEOPLE.

I don’t necessarily believe (as some do) that our people “don’t care”, it’s more that our people need to see the LRUP in the community taking up the issues that directly affect them. Thus, visible, present and engage, our people will have a better understanding of what La Raza Unida is.

The National-La Raza Unida Party-NLRUP is a Chicano Revolutionary Nationalist organization that has taken on the task of organizing La Raza while building a strong independent political organization for Chicanos, Mexicanos-all Raza.

The NLRUP affirms that we-CHICANOS, Raza, are descendants of the original people of AZTLAN and “Las

Americas”. Thus, we are the people with the natural right to; claim, struggle and build AZTLAN, this must be understood BY ALL INTERESTED IN BECOMING ORGANIZERS, before our people as a whole understand us.

The other option is, to continue as we are, damning ourselves and our future generations, trapped in hopeless-misery, yet, worse believing that it’s “okay” because we live in the “USA”, and wonder, why we (as a people) can’t move out of poverty, hopelessness and fear. RAZA, it’s not a question of choice, the Partido is your organization, serious and ready,

THE TIME IS NOW –as we enter a period of heightened activism and reaction to the TRUMP-provoked-racism young people search for answers. Don’t be afraid, UNITY IS POWER, and power will make our just demands stronger -AS STRONG AS YOU MAKE IT.

VIVA AZTLAN LIBRE-VIVA EL PARTIDO NACIONAL LA RAZA UNIDA

NATIONAL-LA RAZA UNIDA PARTY CHAIR



1. We want complete political and economic self-determination for the Chicano people and all Raza living within Aztlan and the Barrios throughout Occupied Amerikkka.
2. We want full employment with just and living wages/salaries for all Raza and people (regardless of Gender or "Race") whether in the fields, factories or in the ever growing service economy.
3. We want the immediate end to all Police-Migra brutality, murders and harassment of Chicanos and Raza in general!
4. We demand quality, free and relevant education for Chicano/Raza students at all levels of their education. This will assure the success of our children and youth in education. All levels, of education; public and higher education must teach the true history of Chicanos/La Raza, so that EVERY Chicano/Raza youth has the opportunity to become a productive member of their community/society. This will unleash the greatest advancement ever, assuring the educational accomplishment of our children and youth will fulfill their full potential as individuals while serving the needs of La Raza community as a whole. Education should be completely free

at the higher level, so NO student is over burdened with immensely unjust debts for having achieved their right to a higher education.

5. We want the immediate end of all recruitment by the US armed forces and all policing agencies of this imperialist settler government towards our youth-male and female! The US armed forces have historically used the Chicano's bravery in combat to their benefit in invading and subjugating peoples around the world. The US armed forces are the armed wing of the imperialist enemy of humanity. Chicanos must not take part in shedding blood for the very same imperialist occupier who has subjugated and brought terror not only to the world but OUR PEOPLE in Aztlan!
6. We affirm that the Chicano, Mexicano-all Raza, in Aztlan have the natural self-determined right to organize its own PROTECTION organism, for self- defense/policing force to SERVE, OBSERVE and PROTECT the barrios from ANY injustice, aggression or perpetrator. We believe the concept of the "Brown Beret" movement if further developed can be the initial seed.
7. We want an immediate Moratorium to be set on the massive number of Chicanos/Raza entrapped by the horrendously racist and colonial Prison Industrial Complex of the US of A. The prison industrial complex was born out of the Amerikkkan colonial idea that the conquered had to serve the interests of the conqueror, primarily with their bodies. And this continues today with the massive numbers of Chicanos and now even undocumented Raza, being thrown behind bars mainly for PROFIT as racist laws are used to justify the mass incarceration of Chicano-Mexicano-

Raza-men and women which only benefit the industrial prison complex. We demand that immediate attention be given to this issue. And proactively place ex-prisoners in programs that will really assist them to be re-integrated into whatever level possible of society so as to become productive members of their community and stop that continual cycle of dependency and oppressive system of Prisons and Jails

8. We uphold the right of La Mujer to be recognized not as a part of, but as a complete and at times central figure in our peoples fight for Self-Determination and National Liberation! La Mujer has a dual oppression which she must contend with but her oppression does not stem from her being a woman only, but from her being part and parcel of the Chicano/Mexicano-Indigenous peoples whom have fought and resisted for over 500 years here in our motherland! There can be no Aztlan Libre without La Mujer and this is exemplified in our "Plan de Las Mujeres de Aztlan".
9. We want the complete recognition of all Tribal and First Nations peoples as deserving of the upmost honor and respect as Sovereign Nations and immediate US withdrawal from all historically contested territories. Reparations for hundreds of years of vicious European conquest and genocide!
10. We want the complete cessation of all destructive Capitalist and imperialist exploitation of our Earth Mother. And ask for the freeing of developments and investment of known technologies which do not ravage our Earth-its beauty and life, that she has evolved for over Billions of years of existence! Planet-Earth can provide enough for everyone and still

maintain its beauty and health, as well as ours but the mode of production developed by Imperialism is quickly destroying it and plummeting all of life on Earth towards destruction. The continual destruction of earth is done mainly through the forcing of US style "Democracy" with its corporations and destructive Agri-Business and overall imperialist theft of natural resources exemplified through NAFTA and all of its trade agreements and economic foreign policy as well as the immense exploitation of the Earth here at home.

11. We want Universal Healthcare for all! We understand that Healthcare is NOT a privilege but a right as a living human-being in a modern society. All people have the right to healthcare free of charge and free of capitalist interests in profit making off of peoples suffering.
12. We want to be fully recognized as our own people within the nations and peoples of the so called "Americas". From the tip of Alaska to the tip of Tierra del Fuego in Chile the Chicano people connect both the nations of "America Latina" with the Tribal First people's nations of occupied Amerikka and KKKanada.
13. We understand that in the current political, economic and social system we live in-Neo Colonial Capitalist Imperialism, we have no hope of ever achieving democracy or be treated humanely without our organized resistance. An organized resistance legitimized by our common experience and history as Chicanos and economic class, which can only be fought for by the organizing of a Chicano-Raza Revolutionary Party-which sole purpose is to selfishly and relentlessly struggle in the interests of La Raza, Hasta La Victoria SIEMPRE!! C/S

2017 Educate Conference and Championing Chicano Youth

By: Julian Bugarín Quezada

Early in the morning on February 10, 2017, members of Portland State University's chapter of Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlán (MEChA) came to campus to begin setting up for its annual Educate Conference in which Chicano/a and Latino/a students from across Oregon came for a day's worth of events including workshops, keynote speeches, Aztec dances, a college resource fair, and a community baile. By nine in the morning,

ROUGHLY 350 STUDENTS ENTERED THE UNIVERSITY'S BALLROOM

snacking on pan dulce and café de olla, awaiting a speech from the school's Vice President of Enrollment Management and Student Affairs (EMSA), Dr. John Fraire. As a Chicano Harvard graduate from Gary, Indiana, Dr. Fraire recalled the dreams that his beloved mother had



Dr. John Fraire stands with the first 20 Chicano Youth Admitted to Portland State University at PSU M.E.Ch.A.'s Educate Conference on February 10th, 2017.

for him and called on youth to embrace their cultural roots.

Students then went on their way to a series of workshops about topics including the history of the Chicano movement, tackling college admissions essays,

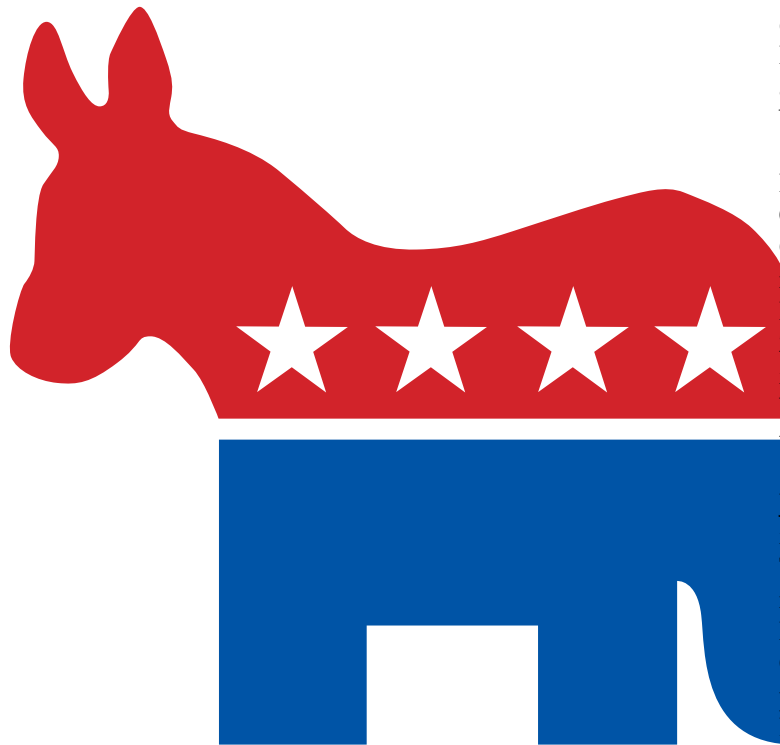
dismantling machismo, and caucus for undocumented, female, and LGBTQ students. Finally, as students came back and mingled to check out numerous resources available to them as students at the university, a brand new addition to our

conference began to take form. Months ahead of the conference, EMSA contacted us wanting to hold a ceremony known as Instant Vikings, where students are recognized for having been admitted to the university. One by one, Dr. Fraire recognized

over 20 students, the majority being the first in their families to go to college. It was an incredibly emotional event with many of us as volunteers and individuals who helped plan the conference in tears. Finally, everybody came together to

celebrate dancing to our favorite cumbia, banda, and reggaetón hits.

As one of the co-coordinators of our school's MEChA chapter, this day was one of the most rewarding experiences as a student activist and scholar. I went into that conference with only four hours of sleep after having spent the last several months working with peers to plan this conference. There were times where I thought this conference would be a disaster. Undoubtedly, there could have been things that could have made the conference itself even better. But being able to hold space with LGBTQ Chicanx and Latinx youth was totally worth the stress and endless work. Seeing our school's vice president speak about his mother's dreams for him was worth it. Seeing 20 first-generation college students be accepted to PSU was worth it. Facilitating a workshop where the youth were so excited to learn about Chicano/Latino studies was worth it. Despite the hurdles, I could not have been more satisfied with what these youth were able to go home with.



DEPORT TRUMP AND THE TWO PARTY DICTATORSHIP

The National La Raza Unida Party stands in complete opposition to everything Donald Trump represents. The NLRUP wants to make sure that the voice of the Chicano/ La Raza, is heard-“TRUMP IS NOT OUR PRESIDENT”! And raise our voice with the nation as they say NO!! to the election of Donald Trump to the presidency of the USA. Trump PROVOKED a political crisis with his “unconventional”

campaign. While the Two Party Dictatorship-democrats and republicans just stood by, this demanded that the “Partido” take action, so the National-LRUP- National Office-San Fernando Valley Ca. organized the first March in the San Fernando Valley-Panorama City in November 2016 which motivated the formation of San Fernando Valley United Coalition which marched again on “Inauguration Day” Friday January 20, 2017 marching from Pacoima City Hall to The Cesar Chavez Memorial in San Fernando, chanting-HELL NO!! TRUMP HAS GOT TO GO, Trump is not our president, VIVA LA RAZA, El Pueblo Unido Jamas sera vencido and Trump Escucha El Pueblo esta en La Lucha!!, uniting our voices against the distorted “victory” of Donald Trump, with the rest of the nation. We don’t understand how a racist ignorant buffoon could have gotten elected. Still this is “US-AMERICA”-Land of occupied nations and home of the Colonized Indigenous Nations. The manipulation of the US-Political System and its two party dictatorship by the big corporations never ceases to amaze me. Just when I thought things could not get any more ridiculous, Trump runs a campaign full of; lies distortions, megalomaniac-perspective and Wham!! He becomes “President Elect

Trump”. This is not to say the Hillary Clinton would have been any better-yet she at least knew how to speak. The fact of the matter is that neither, republicans or democrats represents us. This is why we ask for the deportation of the “Two Party Dictatorship-democrats and republicans. We could go into a self-flagellating discourse of what we should have done or what we can do to work with this very bizarre administration. Yet that would be futile, for this is

WHAT MUST BE DONE

not a question of one “bad apple”, the whole system is corrupt. Still what did we expect from “White America”. Our concern is, what must we do now.

The first step is to understand why and how Trump won-it was very clear that he gave a voice to the racism that is so much a part of this society and its social undercurrent which makes up what White America is. Trump gave a voice to the Racist who see our people as a threat that is why he attacked Mexican people directly- FEAR IS WHAT DRIVES THIS COUNTRY, and Trump played on that fear to get the attention of “White” people.

Yet, fear is what has also held us back. Even the Mexican-American-“Latino”

elitist solutions is not valid because they have no plan-their solution is to continue supporting the “Lesser of the two evils”. They don’t care about, police abuse and miseducation of La Raza but want to be the “power brokers” that will sell us out to the highest bidder.

No! Our response against Trump was not a reaction just because Trump won we have been organizing against the brutality of the Colonizer since we rode with Joaquin Murieta, Tiburcio Vasquez and Juan Cheno Cortina against the invaders. Our struggle against injustice, occupation and displacement is not new-it is historical. And our history and the history of this racist colonial nation is full of reasons why we struggle the TRUMP distortion is just another struggle we must engage in.

DEPORT TRUMP AND THE TWO PARTY DICTATORSHIP, WE URGE OUR PEOPLE TO JOIN THE MOVEMENT.

Our communities need to be organized under an independent organization. We must understand that the rich and powerful have their parties-democrats and republican. Both of these political parties have the same interest, KEEP CAPITALISM

IN POWER, and the way they do this is by keeping La Raza , Africans and working class people disorganize, passive and confuse. THIS HAS GOT TO CHANGE-our community must unite, organize and mobilize to take action in our own interest. For this reason the National La Raza Unida Party is moving forward the organizing of the Partido in all areas possible. We know this is not an easy task in particular with all the lies, political manipulation and misinformation we face as Chicano Mexicano Indigenous Raza. Yes, TRUMP wants “change” but backward-change to how things were in the 1950s, Hillary-democrats want the status que-because things are fine as they are, for them. The democrats lie, cheat and misrepresent just as republicans do, democrats have thrown into the mix a “Black” president, a woman candidate, even an “Old White Socialist” who is just apologetic for Hillary and Obama’s historical abuse of poor working class families. WE SAY-YA BASTA!! This is our time, No more lies, no more empty promises, and definitely NO MORE ATOLE CON EL DEDO. ORGANIZATE PUEBLO, ESTAMOS EN LA LUCHA-UNETE AL PARTIDO NACIONAL LA RAZA UNIDA.



PARTIDO NACIONAL LA RAZA UNIDA EN SOLIDARIDAD CON CUBA

Al Pueblo de Cuba,

Hermanas, hermanos, con profundo dolor, admiración y respeto rendimos un profundo homenaje al Comandante Fidel Castro Ruz en su Descanso final. Aunque sabemos que los que colaboran con los intereses económicos y políticos del imperialismo de EEUU tienen su distorsionada critica estas criticas reaccionarias son ahogadas por las lágrimas sinceras y admiración del Pueblo de Cuba y el mundo-estas son verdaderas muestras de amor , respeto y cariño.

Todo el pueblo de Cuba goza de los avances sociales,

médicos y educativos producidos por La Revolución Cubana encabezada por el comandante Fidel, América Latina y El Movimiento Chicano vio en el la inspiración y ejemplo a seguir y el mundo entero será testigo del florecer una y mil veces a hombres y mujeres con igual compromiso revolucionario de nuestro Comandante Fidel. Sabemos, por nuestra historia y la de Cuba que la liberación no es fácil pero si es posible, el ejemplo de Fidel nos enseña a no rendiremos al odio, explotación e inconsciencia del imperialismo.

“EL VERDADERO REVOLUCIONARIO ES GUIADO POR UN SENTIDO PROFUNDO DE AMOR” -Che

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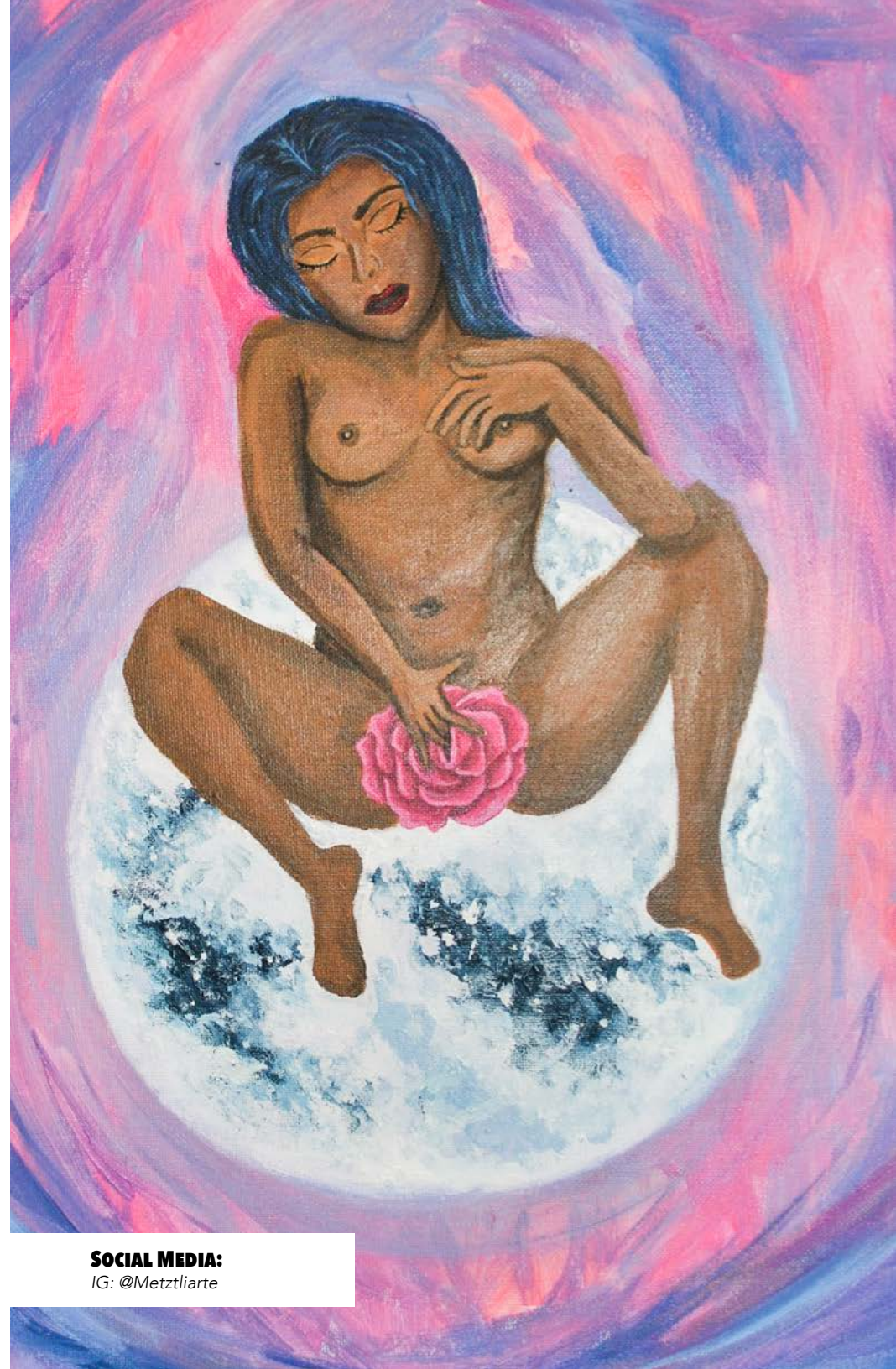
Featured Artist

Bio

My name is Michele León, I am a Chicana daughter of Mexican immigrants. My parents migrated from a small rural town in Guanajuato, Mexico. I crossed the border with my mother in her womb. I was born and raised in Oregon. I lived in a predominantly white city, but I always managed to stay in touch with my culture. As a child, when we went to the school library, I would check out books about Mexico because I was fascinated with my peoples and always wanted to learn more about my parent's home. When I got to middle school I began to experience racism and began to feel shamed for my cultural background and did everything I could to get away from it. I realized that no matter how detached I was from my peoples music, clothing, or traditions, my brown skin would always be attached to me, and I would always be considered an outsider in this country. That is when I began to embrace my culture once again. In college I was given the opportunity to take Chicano/Latino studies class where my activism began to evolve. I have always loved art, but never really had much time to create. I never really considered myself an artist, I don't know if I will ever accept that title. But ever since I took and elective painting class I realized how much I enjoy art, and how impactful my art has on people. I hope to keep creating art for myself and for my people.

Inspiration

I take a lot of inspiration from my culture. I really want to show off the beauty of our textiles, all the colors that are associated to our people. I like to believe that we are artistic people from weaving, hand sewing, painting, pottery making etc. We have seen an increase in cultural appropriation in our textiles and images. I realized if we don't reclaim what is ours, others will continue to do so. I strongly believe in woman power and feminism. I want to empower women through the art I make, specifically brown mujeres. In traditional western art, white woman are the stars of the show. Nature is also something I like to incorporate in my art. I find the natural world to be extremely fascinating and beautiful. A lot of my inspiration also comes from a lot of Chicana artist I follow on IG, I think this is a great outlet for artists to share their work with others. Not a lot of people can afford to attend galleries, but everybody deserves to experience the beauty of art.



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National La Raza Unida Party In Solidarity With Standing Rock North Dakota

The National La Raza Unida salutes the Resistance of our Native Brothers and sisters in North Dakota. We-Chicanos/ La Raza, as descendants of the original people of Aztlan and "Las Americas" stand in unwavering solidarity with you as you stand with

dignity against the Colonizer in defense of your LAND. The oppressor may have the might which they dispense with brutal violence, but we as Native Peoples have the right to defend our land from the exploitation of the barbaric capitalist. BROTHERS, SISTERS UNITY IS OUR STRENGTH!

WE ARE ONE BECAUSE THE STRUGGLE IS ONE-SOMOS UNO, PORQUE LA LUCHA ES UNA. SELF-DETERMINATION AND NATIONAL LIBERATION!!!

LA RAZA UNIDA: JOIN THE PARTY

La Raza Unida Party-NLRUP was born out of the discontent of our people with our social, political, educational and economic conditions. This discontent has existed since the invasions by the USA into what became the "Southwest"-AZTLAN. And exploded in the "Chicano Power Period"-1960-1975. As we armed ourselves with this knowledge we first organized "La Raza Unida" nation wide during 1969, at the First Liberation Youth Conference held in Denver Colorado under the leadership of Rodolfo "Corkey" Gonzales. From the start we struggled for, self-determination and

liberate ourselves from the claws of the Colonizer and its "Two Party Dictatorship" democrats and republicans. Only united and organize will we achieve self-determination and liberation as the descendants of the original people of Aztlan. And only the Partido as one with our people can win self determination and liberation. Join the Partido, build that independent strength. As you learn about your struggle and true history. We understand that our people-all the "Raza", needs to be part of the Partido, so our goal is to organize, unite and raise the consciousness of all our people. The Partido is one with our workers and community. And our youth must know their history and

struggle being that they are the hope for a brighter future. In conclusion, only a people organized, united and conscious

alongside their Partido can assure, justice, democracy, self-determination and liberation.

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PARTY, AND IS BEHOLDING ONLY
TO YOU-LA RAZA.**

liberation. Chicano is our natural national identity as indigenous people of AMERICA-all indigenous-revolutionary people that, live work and struggle in AZTLAN are Chicanos. Furthermore as descendants of the original people of Aztlan and "America"-there is no confusion-this is our land. Unity will give us the power to demand, justice and social democracy. And only with our united and independent power will we be able to

When the Devil Calls you out by Name: The Southwest vs. Donald Trump

By: Matt Sedillo

Political scapegoats are not picked at random nor are Presidential campaigns composed of random ideas. Nothing just happens and nothing is just said. On any given topic society is tilted a certain way because, at the very least, the recent history of that society is tilted in that very same direction. When Donald Trump said Mexico is sending drug dealers and rapists, and later proposed to build wall claiming Mexico would pay, he was tapping into the ethos of a culture built in part on revenge fantasies born of false narratives. From the Western to Gone with the Wind, the lost cause of the frontiersman and slave owner run deep in the culture of this country. Make America Great Again is simultaneously The South Will Rise Again, Custer's Last Stand and Remember the Alamo. Chants of Build the Wall and Mexico will Pay were

by Donald Trump's own account and the accounts of many who attended his rallies served as the euphoric highlight of his hate filled revivals. For huge portions of the Zombie Apocalypse the call and response from their cult leader asking "Who will pay?" to which they yelled back "Mexico" was a cathartic experience of unparalleled racist ecstasy. The Zombies are not racist because they are confused. They are racist because it delights them. Having someone to blame for the frustrations we all face and having that person be someone that the US has historically trampled upon gives shape and meaning to the lives of bigots. These the thirst of these bigots for hate was quenched in ways it had not been in decades. Long had they wandered through a desert of coded language and dog whistles. Donald Trump the billionaire White nationalist spoke to them, because regardless of income they were White nationalists. The rural vote went for Trump. The suburban commando neighborhood watch vote went to Trump as well. Incomes were

immaterial. Trump won the hate vote. Trump was not delivering political speeches but rather old fashioned hate revivals. That's what Make America Great Again is and means.

The Mexican population was not picked at random nor is it possible to imagine the reverse happening. Firstly the undocumented cannot run for office. It also is impossible to imagine in 2016 a Chicano politician running for president of the United States of America calling White people drug dealers, rapists and pinche gringos. It could only be described as political satire to imagine said politician proposing to build a wall along the eastern seaboard. Under today's conditions that could never happen. White reaction among the liberals and others making false equivalences just show either their own intellectual weakness or complicity with and in White nationalism. The notion that Anti White sentiment is a force of any power in society or its political economy at all is the stuff of reactionary fantasy. Yet it is very

much a material reality that Donald Trump a hate speech candidate is now President elect and President elect largely by stoking anti Mexican sentiment, Islamophobia, anti Blackness, misogyny and various other forms of bigotry. It is also true that he stood out in the Republican field initially as the supreme border warrior. He lost ground to Christian Crusaders Ted Cruz and Ben Carson but then quickly outhated them with a proposal for a ban on over a billion Muslims and the suggestion of Muslim registry.

This is the country we live in. Hatred of various communities within it are not random but rather historically rooted. Anti Mexican sentiment is no exception. Anti Mexican sentiment runs rampant in a nation where a third of the land mass was gained from a predatory war with Mexico. Jefferson Davis was a leading figure in the Mexican American war. Ulysses Grant also fought in the Mexican American war. Leading figures from both the confederacy and the union fought in the war. Both slavedrivers and northern industrialists

were committed to the principle of Manifest destiny and would later struggle as to what to do with this and other newly acquired land. In the decades following the seizure of half of Mexico, Mexicans were lynched in the American southwest at the highest rate per capita of any ethnic group in American history. This is racist for certain but it is not disconnected from history nor economic development. People were lynched in mass in a period of land grabs.

In the decades and century following Mexican labor was made into cheap labor and suppressed to what were considered degraded positions in the economy. In the American Southwest there are still people alive who lived in a time where diner windows read no dogs no Mexicans and can remember segregated swimming pools as well as the so called "Mexican schools." These legacies are still very much alive today. The notion that brown people should serve runs deep in the American southwest through the nation as a whole as various other Latino communities

have been subject to similar abuse throughout the nation as a whole.

History is why Donald Trump could draw upon a reserve of Anti Mexican sentiment. The centrality of it for a Presidential run is somewhat new. This is the way one gets elected in Arizona or Texas or even portions of California or New Mexico. It is not typically how one runs for President. The politics of the Southwest are going national because of what its demographic shift portends for the nation as a whole. White nationalists are panicked about Dora the Explorer and taco trucks. It may sound absurd but it is perfectly rational by White nationalist standards. By 2042 the US is projected to become a minority majority nation with the Latinos in general and the Mexicans in particular driving this shift. And while it is impossible to imagine a Mexican American Trump riding anti White sentiment to the White house, it is not impossible to imagine Mexican and Mexican American resistance to Donald Trump.

One need not imagine it, as it has already happened on several occasions now. In many instances in the American Southwest resistance to Donald Trump has been multi ethnic but nonetheless featured pinatas of his likeness as well the Mexican flag and flags from the various republics of Central America waved not in defense of those countries but rather the human dignity of the populations being degraded by this demonic clown. Huge portions of the population of the American Southwest hate Donald Trump and for good reason.

The most striking examples of resistance that took place during the Donald Trump's campaign for the Republican nomination would likely be Chicago, San Jose, Albuquerque, Costa Mesa, San Diego, Burlingame and Fountain Hills. These resulted in arrests, free way shutdowns, property damage, confrontations with police and confrontations with the Zombie Apocalypse.

In many cases the reporting on these stories showed just how invisible the history of these populations are. Questions swirled around whether or not protesters were Bernie or Hillary supporters with no investigation of the material conditions of the lives of the protesters. Sympathetic articles would describe the protesters as reasonably upset, though of course never excusing property damage. Unsympathetic articles would describe them as thugs and criminals motivated by their disregard for property rights and democratic process.

Hillary Clinton answered that Donald Trump more or less started the antagonism. Bernie Sanders response, ever the legitimizer of unspeakable evil, was to disassociate himself from anyone doing anything the media deemed violent. The truth however is that people willing to fight in the street with cops were not motivated by love of Sanders or Clinton nor even spontaneous hate for Donald Trump. They were motivated by what the fact of the Trump

campaign confirmed about their lives here in the US.

There is a world of difference between the Silicon valley and East San Jose or as it is sometimes known Sal Si Puedes. One consists of some of the most highly paid workers in the US alongside their billionaire bosses and the other is the barrio that Cesar Chavez grew up in. East San Jose is plagued, like many Mexican and Latino majority communities in the US, with deep poverty and lack of opportunity. When the Zombies were getting pelted with eggs it wasn't just about Trump and it didn't have a damn thing to do with Sanders or Clinton. They were expressions of lifetimes, of generations of pain and frustration that came from living in the shadow of a citadel in a nation that offers them nothing but daily insult.

In Albuquerque when cop cars were being danced upon that was about more than an election or a few campaign words. In 2015 Albuquerque PD killed more people per

capita than any major city in America. In 2016 the state of New Mexico leads the country in people killed per capita the wide majority of victims being Latino. Again this is about more than some strong words coming from some orange demon with a ghastly combover. This spoke to the violence that is part of every day life of the state. Albuquerque is a city constantly on the verge of rebellion.

Arizona is the most Anti Latino most Anti Mexican state in the union. The freeway shut down towards Fountain Hills took place on a road that led to Donald Trump being introduced by Joe Arpaio an outright fascist who has compared his tent cities to concentration camps. He boasts of this in his own words. It was a glorious thing to watch all those hate mongers in Arizona stew in their hate on a narrow road in the Arizona sun, traffic jammed for miles.

The scenes in Costa Mesa, Burlingame and San Diego all speak to the material conditions there and again to lifetimes and

not single campaign seasons. This was all before the election. All this rebellion and fight back took place merely because this hate monger set foot in their town.

In the aftermath of the election of Donald Trump people across the country took the streets in protest of the Eugenicist in chief. Some of the first and largest actions took place in the Southwest for perfectly predictable understandable reasons. In Los Angeles these included student walk outs, freeway shutdowns and the largest march in the country. Donald Trump and Mike Pence never set foot in Los Angeles and its doubtful they will. Los Angeles is a city of constant rebellion. The southwest as a whole would appear a provocation or two from being on the verge of it. It is for those reasons the historical mission of the fighting section of the proletariat of the American Southwest, ground zero to the demographic shift, to confront the forces of this White nationalist backlash. When the devil calls you by name you must respond.

Make America Great Again is The South Will Rise Again, is Custer's Last Stand, is Remember the Alamo. Fine then. In each case, remember who won.

Taco trucks on every corner. Fuck Donald Trump.

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