## About At the Table

*At the Table* explores our intimate and communal relationships with food and investigates the many ways these connections were severed or challenged during the 2020-21 lockdown triggered by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Artworks and documentation on view will use food as both subject and material to speak to and create community, examine personal histories and narratives through ingredients and culinary traditions, and respond to social injustices related to food production and distribution. The artists, projects, and collaborations included in the exhibition are Jackie Amezquita, *Champions Feed Champions* presented by the Inglewood Community Fridge, *domingo* presented by The Crenshaw Dairy Mart and The Mistake Room, Yrneh Gabon, Yeu "Q" Nguyen, Francisco Palomares, and alvaro parra.

While COVID-19 has made it difficult, if not impossible, to sit at a table to break bread together with loved ones and neighbors, this exhibition uses the communal table as inspiration to center food as an important part of the healing and recovery process.

Organized by Heber Rodriguez, Exhibition Manager / Assistant Curator, Armory Center for the Arts.



Inglewood Community Fridge, *Champions feed Champions.* Photo by Yemi Kuku @yemididit

## **Exhibition Public Programming**

Jackie Amezquita, *Proclamación* (Proclamation), Activation August 4, 6 – 8 PM Armory Center for the Arts | *By RSVP. Seats are limited.* 

**Francisco's Fresh Paintings Workshop** July 30, September 24, & November 5, 1 – 2:30 PM Armory Center for the Arts | *Free with RSVP* 

Emotional Dumpling Workshop August 13 & November 12, 1 - 2:30 рм Armory Center for the Arts | *Free with RSVP* 

Vendedores en Conversación September 1, 6 – 7:30 рм Virtual on Zoom | *Free with RSVP* 

A Souptealicious Conversation September 10, 6 – 8 PM Offsite | *By RSVP. Seats are limited.* For more details, visit **armoryarts.org/table**.

All events are free, donations are appreciated, to support to our programming, please go to armoryarts.org/support.

# You are invited to contribute to the *At the Table* food-asset story map!

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Share your favorite local restaurant, street vendor, farmer's market, food bank, or food

justice organization with us. This is an effort to **O C C** support the recovery of the LA culinary industry, gather informational resources for those who are struggling with food insecurity, and uplift local culinary treasures. Scan the QR code to view and contribute to the map.

At the Table and related public programs are made possible with generous support from the Pasadena Art Alliance and the Institute of Museum and Library Services. Lead support for all Armory programs comes from the Los Angeles Arts Recovery Fund.





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# Jackie Amezquita

# **Champions Feed Champions**

presented by the Inglewood Community Fridge

## domingo

presented by The Crenshaw Dairy Mart and The Mistake Room

**Yrneh Gabon** 

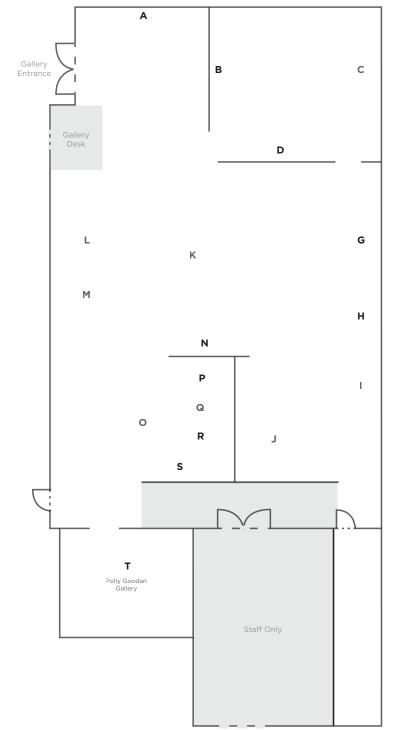
Yeu "Q" Nguyen

# **Francisco Palomares**

## alvaro parra

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## At the Table Artwork Map & Checklist



#### A: COVID Timeline of Events

B: Inglewood Community Fridge

\*daughter of Inglewood's Own: Crenshaw Dairy Mart\* *Champions feed Champions,* 2020-2021

**C**: *domingo* Presented by The Crenshaw Dairy Mart and The Mistake Room, 2021

D: alvaro parra Vendedores en Acción, 2021

E: Yrneh Gabon Unbidden, 2020 Mixed media on wooden panel

#### F: Yrneh Gabon

*Black Salt Flats #1*, 2019 Mixed media

#### G: Jackie Amezquita

Sortilegio 1, 2022

Soil from the border that connects Tijuana, Baja California, Mexico and San Ysidro, California, cal hidratada (hydrated lime), corn masa, screws, wood, plywood, gypsum board

#### H: Jackie Amezquita

Sortilegio 2, 2022

Soil acquired during performance Huellas que Germinan in 2018, cal hidratada (hydrated lime), corn masa, screws, nails, wood, plywood, gypsum board

#### I: Jackie Amezquita

Sortilegio 3, 2022

Soil collected along the 2,000 mile long border that connects Mexico and the U.S., cal hidratada (hydrated lime), corn masa, screws, wood, plywood, gypsum board

#### J: Jackie Amezquita

*Proclamación, gatherings 1 to 4*, 2020-2022 Soil from 36 Los Angeles neighborhoods, cal hidratada (hydrated lime), corn masa, various culinary dishes, food items, copper, and walnut wood

#### K: Francisco Palomares

Francisco's Fresh Paintings, 2020 Fruit cart, oil paintings, umbrella, gourd, piñatas, mexican blanket

#### L: Francisco Palomares

Food Box, 2021 Oil on canvas with attached cardboard

#### M: Yrneh Gabon

The Salted Seasonings #1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8 (From the Fire and Salt series), 2019 Mixed media on wooden panels

#### N: At the Table LA County Food Asset Map

O: Yeu "Q" Nguyen Emotional Dumplings, 2022 Fabric sculpture with bamboo frame

P: Yeu "Q" Nguyen Noodle Dreaming, 2022 Macrame tapestry with chopsticks on cardboard box

**Q**: **Yeu "Q" Nguyen** *American Fishhead*, 2022 Tapestry quilt with beads and textile appliqué

**R: Yeu "Q" Nguyen**  *Peanuts Coming to America*, 2022 Tapestry quilt with beads and textile appliqué

#### S: Yeu "Q" Nguyen

Biting Back My Own Words, 2022 Macrame weaving of yarn remnants, beads, chopstick

Smiling Through Gritted Teeth, 2021 Macrame weaving of yarn remnants, beads, chopstick

#### T: Yeu "Q" Nguyen

Sweet, Sweat, and Love, 2022 Interactive hygiene stations with sweets and desserts scented hand sanitizers