

CURRICULUM

Rafael Rasillo was born in Palencia (Spain). He graduated in Geography and History and obtained a specialization in History of Art at Salamanca University.

He started painting when he was still a child and he considers himself a self-learner as to his artistic education. His “Naif” style arises from his own and personal experience as he never attended any formal art school nor followed any rules as he considered them remote from his feeling of art and freedom.

His works reflect his inner world, sometimes fantastic, naturalistic or deriving from stories or dreams. He describes a calm, peaceful and magic world in contradiction with the reality which is often the opposite. He paints mainly plastic childish looks emphasizing their astonishing primigenial, fantastic flight, disinhibited expression and charming awkwardness.

His painting is not conceived as something on which to reflect or to transcend, but it represents the calm and inner unconcern of the painter himself. The main characteristic of the artist is indeed the expression of a serene and unbelievable environment which he attributes to existence.

His live and daring colours are indispensable elements through which he creates this world, his colorful brush-stroke represents a dialogue between the painter and his audience.

Exhibitions

- 2002 Room exhibitions of Caja España, Palencia;
- 2002 III Contest of Naif Art. Cultural Center Galileo (Madrid);
- 2003 XL Contest Plastic Arts San Isidro;
- 2003 IV Contest of Naif Art. Cultural Center Galileo (Madrid);
- 2004 Exhibition Colors of the Life, Cultural Center Galileo;
- 2004 V Contest of Naif Art. Cultural Center Galileo (Madrid);
- 2005 Exhibition 11 M, Gallery SANZSPACE;
- 2005 I Contest International Naif the Painting. Cultural Center Galileo (Madrid);
- 2006 Collective exhibition "To watch the City". "Greater Seat of Madrid" obtains second prize with the work.
- 2007 Collective exhibition "Small Format". Cultural center Quinta del Berro, Madrid;
- 2007 Exhibition "The ingenuous glance of the things" provincial Delegation of Palencia;
- 2007 Collective exhibition of Spanish and Latin American Naíf painters in Santo Domingo (República Dominicana)
- 2007 Collective Exhibition COMPART. Madrid
- 2007 III Contest International Naif the Painting. Cultural Center Galileo (Madrid)

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