

RICHARD ESPINOSA



Richard has been making art for more than 70 years. Since the age of 9, he has exhibited his artwork at countless venues throughout the region and the southwest United States.

Richard Espinosa arrived in Riverside with his family as a child in the early 1930s. His parents, members of the pioneer Aguilar family and the Luiseño tribe, were part of the Pechanga Reservation. As a boy, Richard had two dreams to fulfill ... to become an artist and an airplane pilot. By his early 20s, he was well on the way to achieving both goals.

One of Richard's greatest satisfactions is combining his interest in flying with his artistic skills by creating aviation paintings. Over the years, he has established an extensive professional reputation for his monumental production of aircraft paintings in addition to his southwest landscapes and American Indian imagery.

In addition to flying and producing airplane paintings, Richard has also worked in the aircraft industry by silk-screening designs onto planes. He has also worked for Quicksilver Manufacturing, an Ultra Light aircraft manufacturer based in Temecula, producing technical aircraft drawings.

Richard has received a countless number of awards and ribbons throughout his long art career. He has exhibited his pieces at the Riverside Art Museum, Riverside Community Arts Association, The People's Gallery in downtown Riverside as well as the Artscape exhibit at the Riverside County Administrative Center.

