

dignicraft

Short bio

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We are a hybrid of a film production company, art collective and distributor of cultural goods, inspired by human dignity and justice, the process of artisanal creation and the potential offered by collaboration to achieve the common good.

Our work revolves around collaboration, handicrafts, migration, documentary films and indigenous communities, and has been broadcast in Mexico and the United States on KCET-Link, Canal 22 CONACULTA, Canal 52 MX of MVS and Univision San Diego. And it has been exhibited in film festivals, museums, galleries and universities throughout Europe, Asia and America.

We have received awards and recognitions for our documentaries such as the Los Angeles Area Emmy in the arts category; 1st place for documentary feature film at the 63rd SoCal Journalism Awards and the 61st SoCal Journalism Awards awarded by the prestigious Los Angeles Press Club; 2nd place for Best Short Documentary, 10th National Arts & Entertainment Journalism Awards; Grand Prix - Ateliers d'Art de France at the 8th International Film Festival on Clay and Glass, France; Best Film, International Indigenous Film and Video Festival, Mexico; and the Material Culture and Archeology Film Prize, from the 13th RAI International Festival of Ethnographic Film, Scotland.

Our artistic practice consists of fostering encounters that normally do not occur between people from different backgrounds. We do this by producing documentaries; distributing cultural goods, such as movies and handicrafts with a great history behind them; teaching collaborative workshops as part of a contemporary art project; or doing cultural exchange activities in Basalto, our artistic space located in Santa Catarina Ayotzingo, State of Mexico. The results of these encounters enrich the quality of human relationships between the participants and their respective communities.

Dignicraft was born from the evolution of collective work started by Paola Rodríguez, José Luis Figueroa, Omar Foglio, Blanca O. España †, David Figueroa and Araceli Blancarte, since 2000, under the name Bulbo y Galatea audio/visual.

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