## Save our Multi-cultural mural!

# **Quick Facts**

- Mural first created in the 1980s by local artists to portray NM's diverse cultures, it was restored in the 1990s
- The mural is slated to be destroyed to build the new Vladem Contemporary Art Museum, named for a couple who donated \$4 million to the museum
- The museum is a state project, not city
- \$52,600 has been appropriated for mural preservation (restoration or replacement) to the Cultural Affairs Department by Sen. Jerry Ortiz y Pino (D-Albuquerque)
- Cultural Affairs Secretary Debra Garcia y Griego said that they do not intend to restore or replace the mural on the exterior wall
- Cultural Affairs wants to move a temporary version of the mural inside the museum
- Santa Fe City Arts and Culture Department in partnership with New Mexico Arts are creating a temporary public art installation called "You Are Here/Estás Aquí" to stand in front of the mural

#### Our Concerns

- The mural is public art and must remain public in a public space at or near it's current location, where it can be seen from the street as it is now, not indoors
- Mural restoration or replacement must include community input
- New Mexico Museum of Art, Vladem Contemporary, and the Cultural Affairs Department should be present and even host these community dialogues as a form a good will
- The city's "You Are Here/Estás Aquí" has the appearance of hiding the mural to pacify the community, it will
  divide us
- THIS IS CULTURAL ERASURE AND GENTRIFICATION!

# How to Help

- 1. Call and email Secretary Debra Garcia y Griego at the State Cultural Affairs Department
  - 0 505-827-6364
  - o <u>debra.garciagriego@state.nm.us</u>
- 2. Call and email your state representatives
  - House of Representatives
    - Check the map to find your district

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### Senate

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- o Or search by your address <a href="https://www.nmlegis.gov/Members/Find">https://www.nmlegis.gov/Members/Find</a> By Address?PoliticalBody=House
- 3. Call the Santa Fe City Arts department regarding "You Are Here/Estás Aquí" https://www.santafenm.gov/projects
  - o 505-955-6707
  - o <u>artscommission@santafenm.gov</u>

