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I am a multidisciplinary artist born and raised in Harlem, now based in NJ. Working primarily in female portraiture with oils. My career began with classical training at a young age, National academy school and museum & LaGuardia high-school for visual and performing arts, grounding me in the traditions of academic art while allowing me to channel these foundations into modern expressions. At 23, I have found my voice in creating large, bold, and glamorous works aiming to capture the essence of the subject I know best. Blending my affinity for art history with the unique perspective of an Afro Latina and lesbian, my work is the byproduct of the deepening of my connection with myself and the women before me.

## EDUCATION

**National Academy Museum and School-(11/14-6/16)** Full scholarship for 2 years in their young artist's program. I was selected as the representative of the youth program and gave a speech at their annual auction.

**Fiorello H. LaGuardia High School of Music & Art and Performing Arts -(9/16-6/20)** *Highschool Diploma*. My training included 1 year of Art fundamentals 1&2. 1 year of Art fundamentals 3&4, with a half year of printmaking and the other half ceramics, including building and wheel throwing. The following year I took a full 3 periods of advanced placement oil painting. I spent my last year studying advanced placement sculpture and art history.

## GROUP EXHIBITIONS

**She is Not Soft, NYC** - An evening of Art, celebrating female autonomy. Hosted by Ortiz Art Management at Solas Studios (2/13/26)

**Apanage Days, Limassol & Larnaca Cyprus** - 3 original paintings featured on the 2 largest digital billboards in Cyprus. Hosted by Apanage Gallery (1/1/26-2/1/26)

**Ria x Gallery, Montclair NJ**- Official city of Montclair event, Pride Showcase (6/1/25-6/30/25)

**Art Groove, NYC** - Upwards of 15 Manhattan shows displayed. Promoted to curator for final year of collaboration. Title included accepting artwork of up to 50 artists per show, and responsible for hanging up all work day of. Hosting each show and tending to the needs of artists and guests, while promoting sales and a professional gallery environment (5/23-4/25)

**Soirée Henzo, NYC**- Annual group show (11/23)

**Brooklyn Art Cave, Brooklyn**- Elements Showcase (4/25) Boro Bash Exhibition (7/23)

**32BJ Union, NYC**- Stronger Together showcase (9/23)

**Ugly Studio, Leonia NJ**- February Exhibition (2/23)

**Fiorello H. LaGuardia High School of Music & Art and Performing Arts NYC**- Senior showcase (11-19)

**La Salle Academy 2016 Art Expo 6th 7th 8th grade NYC**- Honorable Mention trophy recipient (5/16)

## PUBLICATIONS

### **Singularart, Black artists in the United States to watch-**

[https://www.singularart.com/en/collection/black-artists-in-the-united-states-to-watch-30575?fbclid=PAZnRzaAPx5A1leHRuA2FlbQIxMQBzcnRjBmFwcF9pZA8xMjQwMjQ1NzQyODcoMTQAAacPBYLKEqotqAYdZHNFOjFPw4aMSBx3kp-5APTcHHOv4N7J6kbqdwS\\_QeeHZaQ\\_aem\\_IwoGMPUNg97MU1dto6P9lA](https://www.singularart.com/en/collection/black-artists-in-the-united-states-to-watch-30575?fbclid=PAZnRzaAPx5A1leHRuA2FlbQIxMQBzcnRjBmFwcF9pZA8xMjQwMjQ1NzQyODcoMTQAAacPBYLKEqotqAYdZHNFOjFPw4aMSBx3kp-5APTcHHOv4N7J6kbqdwS_QeeHZaQ_aem_IwoGMPUNg97MU1dto6P9lA)

### **Queer Art Hub, 5 Rising queer artists to watch in 2026-**

<https://queerarthub.com/5-rising-queer-artists-to-watch-in-2026/>

### **Artist Close Up, Artist's profile-**

[https://www.artistcloseup.com/blog/artist-profile-venus-gonzalez?fbclid=PAZnRzaAPoV71leHRuA2FlbQIxMQBzcnRjBmFwcF9pZA8xMjQwMjQ1NzQyODcoMTQAAaeP-aK5mUxY75EhUiurrXiZXOZzu\\_wEq35vHBCPqbQuqYT8svBJzOKyh\\_wBzQ\\_aem\\_IO8jhFnTCUW6DxsSnjNI7g](https://www.artistcloseup.com/blog/artist-profile-venus-gonzalez?fbclid=PAZnRzaAPoV71leHRuA2FlbQIxMQBzcnRjBmFwcF9pZA8xMjQwMjQ1NzQyODcoMTQAAaeP-aK5mUxY75EhUiurrXiZXOZzu_wEq35vHBCPqbQuqYT8svBJzOKyh_wBzQ_aem_IO8jhFnTCUW6DxsSnjNI7g)