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## **Duane Gardner**

## Bio

Hello, my name is Duane Gardner and I am a painter, focusing mainly on abstract art. Born in Dallas, I have been in Fayetteville for 23 years. I have a Bachelor's degree in Painting and Drawing from the University of North Texas School of Visual Arts. While there, I was one of two students, nominated by faculty, to submit work to the Yale Norfolk School of Art Summer Program. I was also an original member of the Fayetteville Underground.

## **Artist Statement**

My current work is autobiographical and contains text that I have translated into Spanish. My mother was Latina and spoke fluent Spanish. While she did not teach me or my siblings Spanish, I wanted to pay tribute to my heritage while also educating myself on the language. Artists that have have been very influential to my work are Cy Twombly as well as Jean-Michel Basquiat. My paintings contain a word or phrase that pertains to my life. A major subject I paint about in my work is my Son.