The concept of a collective Latino identity began to emerge in the United States in the mid-20th century. Explore how Latino artists shaped the artistic movements of their day, often using their work to communicate with a larger public about social justice and themes of diversity, identity, and community.

After participation in the videoconference, your students will be better able to:

- Understand the historical context of Latino art with a focus on artwork from the 20th and 21st centuries;
- Understand the impact of Latino cultural traditions, immigration, and American culture on works by Latino artists;
- Reflect upon and assess artworks exploring Latino American identity, social justice issues, and cultural tradition and reinvention;
- Use visual vocabulary to articulate observations and interpretations of artworks.

### Historical Thinking

K-12.2: Draw upon the visual data presented in photographs, paintings, cartoons, and architectural drawings to clarify, illustrate, or elaborate upon information presented in the historical narrative, and appreciate and consider past historical perspectives

K-12.3: Analyze and interpret multiple perspectives in history to compare and contrast differing sets of ideas, values, personalities, behaviors, and institutions, and to challenge arguments of historical inevitability

### US History

K-4.4: The History of Peoples of Many Cultures around the World

5-12, Era 9: Postwar United States (1945 to Early 1970s)

5-12, Era 10: Contemporary United States (1968 to the Present)

### Civics

K-12.4: Relationship of the United States to Other Nations and to World Affairs

K-12.5: Roles of the Citizen in American Democracy

5-12.1: Civic Life, Politics, and Government

### Key Concepts

assimilate, barrio, Chicano, community, emigrate, Hispanic, identity, immigrate, labor, Latino, roots, tradition
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