

Meet The Multi-Talented Visual Artist Celestino “Junior” Ortiz

Born in San Juan Puerto Rico, Celestino Ortiz is an accomplished artist with an inclination towards the ‘Abstract Expressionist’ movement. He also creates unique portraits that can be classified within the Pop Art genre.



Miami Beach, Mar 9, 2020 ([Issuewire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - Under the guidance and mentorship of contemporary master artists Carmelo Sobrino and Noemi Ruiz, internationally collected visual artist [Celestino Ortiz](#) reaffirms his passion for the arts after having achieved great professional success within the communications industry. In addition to being a successful artist, Celestino is an academic professor

with an extensive career in the field of communications technology. Specializing in TV Radio Production, Video, and Cinematography, Celestino has been a professor at CCAT – College of Cinematographic, Art, and Television in Miami since 2016, a TV-Host and Co-Producer of Estudio Celestino TV Show for TIVA TV and currently hosts a popular video podcast [Rock Show](#). He received a Master of Arts (MA) in Museology/Museum Studies from Caribbean University-Bayamon in Puerto Rico.

When it comes to his art, Celestino's pure and authentically creative impulses lead him through various mediums seeking his identity. Showing great interest in abstract-expressionism, one can distinguish traits and strokes resembling Olga Albizu and Guztav Klimt. Breaking away from accepted conventions in both technique and subject matter, Celestino creates work that stands as a reflection of his individual psyche—and in doing so, attempts to tap into universal inner sources. His work resists stylistic categorization, but it can be clustered around two basic inclinations: an emphasis on dynamic, energetic gesture, in contrast to a reflective, cerebral focus on more open fields of color. In either case, the imagery is primarily abstract.

Celestino carries a genuine desire to communicate, and his chromatic palette is not far from the Caribbean culture that inspired the works in his Energy Fields and Fuerza Natura series'. The complexity and gestures within these bodies of work resonate passionately using bold reds, oranges, blues and green, yellow hues. Celestino recently started working on a new abstract series that evolved from his past style into a more esoteric aesthetic. The artist is also well known for his eye-catching and colorful pop art portraits. Always striving for straightforwardness in his portrait paintings, Celestino uses bold swaths of primary colors with an innate ability to capture the true essence of his subject matter.

Celestino's paintings create a triangular discourse that the viewer and the artist share in a lyrical harmony. He has held many exhibitions over the course of his career, some of which include the El Museo del Barrio and the Whitney Biennial 2017 at Whitney Museum of American Art, and notable art fairs such as Red Dot Miami with Contemporary Art Projects USA during Art Basel Miami Beach 2019. He is represented by A. Cueto Gallery and [Pamil Fine Art](#), future shows include the Museo Casa Escuté this coming June.

Celestino recently had his work showcased during New York Fashion Week in February 2020 "Art Runway". The artist was selected to participate in a unique charity event for [Hope Latino Fashion Week](#) celebrating Art, Fashion & Music benefiting the *Fashion is Hope* foundation and *Alejandra Avendaño*, which aid children with cancers in Venezuela, along with Columbia University's cancer research and the relief efforts for the earthquake victims in Puerto Rico. Hope Latino Fashion Week presents the work of talented artists from Latin American countries within the fashion, art and music industries, both nationally and internationally.

To learn more about this fascinating artist, for sales, commissions, general inquires or future show information, email celestinoart@gmail.com and visit <https://www.instagram.com/celestinovisualartist/>

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