



# From My Altitude

NEW YORK CITY *Art* EXHIBITION  
of paintings by

## Antonio Guerrero

One of the CUBAN 5 Political Prisoners in U.S. Jails

OPENING RECEPTION FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup>- 6:30 PM  
at the Clemente Soto Vélez Cultural Center

107 Suffolk Street, Off Delancey Street,  
F Train to Delancey St. or J/M/Z to Essex St.

The Gallery is open Monday through Friday from 4:30 - 9:30pm  
Weekend viewing is also available by appointment by contacting  
Jasmine Rosario - [jrosario@csvcenter.org](mailto:jrosario@csvcenter.org) - 646-358-7251.  
The exhibit will run from September 3<sup>rd</sup> to October 1<sup>st</sup> 2010

### Antonio Speaks About His *Artistic* Development Behind The Walls (Excerpts)

"At the beginning of 2003, as I had just completed my first year of imprisonment in this penitentiary at Florence, Colorado, I anxiously searched for something that would occupy my time, far from the climate of tension and violence that reigned in this prison."

"What is most important is that I have overcome imprisonment with a healthy and useful activity like artistic creation. Each work expresses not only my human essence but that of the Five, united as we are by unbreakable principles.

"The little I have learned I share with other prisoners without reserve, and at times with great patience. 'Truth needs art,' as José Martí said, and truth reigns in our hearts, forged with love and commitment to the just cause of our heroic people: That is my motivation for each work of art!"

### Antonio Habla Sobre Su *Creación Plástica* (Extractos)

"A comienzos del año 2003, justo cuando cumplía mi primer año de reclusión en esta penitenciaría de Florence, Colorado, buscaba, ansiosamente, en qué ocupar mi tiempo lejos de todo el ambiente de tensión y violencia que imperaba en esta prisión."

"Lo principal, pienso, ha sido vencer el encierro con una actividad sana y útil como es la creación plástica. Cada obra expresa no sólo mi esencia humana sino la de los Cinco, unidos por indisolubles principios.

"Lo poco que he aprendido lo transmiso a otros reclusos con total desinterés y, a veces, gran paciencia.

'La verdad quiere arte', dijo José Martí, y en nuestros corazones reina la verdad, fundida al amor y a la entrega a la causa justa de nuestro heroico pueblo:

¡Ahí está el impulso para cada obra!"