## David Reyes

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## Artist's Statement

My name is David Reyes. I primarily create artwork through the mediums of illustration, painting, printmaking and sculpture. My work carries a dark, bold and experimental aesthetic throughout the variety of mediums I work in. As a laborer I am familiar with many different tools, materials and hardware/equipment. This knowledge becomes very useful when coming up with sculpture ideas with new or experimental materials and trouble shooting which methods will help me achieve my vision.

I have practiced and learned many disciplines throughout my college art career. It is my intention to utilize all I have learned to create original works of my own in whichever medium I feel is appropriate for the idea in mind.

This series of work is based on psychoactive plant life from around the world. My intention is to present them in a new context with their information written in a language that I have created. Once decoded, each description gives a brief explanation of the plant's purpose within its culture of origin. This method of obscuring information is intended to introduce and inform the audience of these beautiful examples of plant life with a new understanding of what each plant does. As well as to provide the viewer with a sense as if they are discovering a lost plant species.