Occupied Aztlán Database

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Welcome to the Califas Paralegal Station. After reading the following text, please add your name to the Occupied Aztlán Database. You will be receiving a copy of the newsletter of the Institute for Xicano Relations in the mail in due course. Thank you for your interest in Xicano Culture/discourse.

Notes on Aztlán:

The word Aztlán first became a firmament in the consciousness of the Chicano community during the years 1966-67 with the seminal lectures conducted at San Diego State University by Chicano poet Alurista and others. These lectures anticipated the delivery of the seminal revolutionary manifesto "El Plan Espiritual de Aztlán", authored by Carlo Muñoz, Jr. et. al., and first read at the First National Chicano Youth Conference in Denver, Colorado on March 1969. During the intervening years, the word Aztlán has come to encompass the concepts: (1) the historical/mythical place of origin of the Aztecs (whose name is derived from Aztlán); site from which Aztec tribes originated their migration in 1111 A.D., culminating two hundred years later in the foundation of Tenochtitlán, modern Mexico City; (2) the popular symbolic name for either the Southwest of the United States, where most Mexican-Americans live, or for the metaphorical space that exists wherever Chicano culture flourishes; and, (3) a territory whose autonomy under Chicano sovereignty should be sought by political or revolutionary action, a Chicano homeland, if you will.

Geographically, Aztlán's cartography is located within areas of California, Nevada, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, Texas, and Wyoming, within the territories that were ceded to the United States after the ratification of the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo in 1848, ending the Mexican War fought by the United States and Mexico. However, for purposes of this DATABASE, Aztlán should be regarded from the perspective of a critical imaginary, a cultural archetype symbolic of the spiritual union of La Raza (the Chicano Bodypolitic) irrespective of Geographical limits or boundaries.

QUESTION: WHERE DO YOU LOCATE YOUR PERSONAL DISCOURSE IN RELATION TO THE ABOVE?????????????

Please begin by stating you name, address, telephone number, and other information, then state your answer to the above question:

1. MARISA HERNANDEZ , 67 29TH STREET, SAN FRANCISCO, CA i'M A SPANISH-AMERICAN "RGRINGA" - I was chicanasized en Nuevo Mexico. I live in the Mission...me gusta mucho!

2. david edward ross
1226 grant avenue #12
san francisco, ca 94133

my roommate is chicano. i've known him for 20 years.
ii am constantly hearing his viewpoints, and educating myself on issues of history and culture. great show.

3. Michael L. Guillen
137 Winfield
San Francisco, CA 94110

the name i respond to the most is "mijito"
but often i will turn to look eye to eye
with someone who calls me maya

i lost my voice in school
armando's astute vision in retaining the work
of his childhood moves me

in one way or another
through one art or another
we reach back
sift through memory
and find voice in memory

i leave here hearing a thousand voices
mi abuelos
mi abuelas

4. Rick Tejada-Flores

3533 19th Street
San Francisco CA 94110

Como a la una, dos, tres, cuatro, cinco, seis de la manana,
El sol caliente ranchos anchos y de luz todos los bana
Y a los campos van los ninos campesinos,
son peregrinos, son peregrinos de verdad.....

5. Ana M. ("ana-morphic") Montano
27 Navajo Ave. S.F. CA. 94112-3331
From a modern day Mayan "Right On Chicameca Brother"

6. Jose Ramon Lerma
3971 Army St. S.F. CA. 94114
"Que Viva La Raza"

7. Manuel Richard Sanchez
988 Potrero Ave. S.F. CA 94110
"Son of Jose".

8. Alfonzo Joseph Moret
830 Treat Street, San Francisco Ca. 94110
Stepson Of San Jose

9. Raul Farera Balanquet
2616 Mozart Street, Chicago ILL,60647

10. austin conkey
185 Beacon St
SAN FRANCISCO 94131

11. annagardner
po154 stinson beach ca 94970

12. David H. Clifford
3459 Piedmont Ave #16

Oakland, CA 94611

13. Martha Elvira Gonzalez
340 Cloverdale Ave #114
L.A. Ca 90032
The above history, inprinted in my mind for few years now and the love and respect I have gained for the Mexican/ Chicano culture, has inspired me to coin my own youth movement for all but especially whites in California. It is Caucainismo, conscious whites of California set out to educate the culturally ignorant. Caucainismo does not have a set manifesto as of yet, but I am working on a collaborative questionare dealing with the issue of identity in American culture. It is a celebration of the mind in the wake of shit education and shit ..... Please write me, Armando. I need help with this movement: organization, propagation, etc. Thank you for an amazing show and class 3 years ago! -David

14. Nellie Barrera
4324 Montgomery St. #B
oakland, Ca 94611

15. Noel Harvey
5337 College Ave. #145
Oakland, Ca. 94618

16. Milena Muzquiz
5364 Belgrave
Oakland, Ca. 94618

17. Loni Ding
1460 Washington St.
San Francisco, Ca 94109
i loved the raw news clippings stuck to the wall. i especially loved young Armondo's classroom papers. What'dheTHINK about "A" or D" for his thoughts .youve kept the papers all these years! so clean & crisp. did you know you'd be a story teller? they remind me how everyday we're getting "lessons".we gather our materials and skills to make our own. Thank you for this exhibit.

18. Connell Ray Little
246 Gough St. #6
San Francisco Ca. 94102

19. Suzann Dunaway
5296 Foothill Blvd.
Oakland, CA 94601

20. Elijah Franklin
p.o.b. 1611
Petrolia CA.
95558

Just stopping in on my way to Mexico. What, you say? Oh, sorry, i'm from Petrolia High School and all of us (14) are on our way to Mexico for our yearly 6 week trip. A past teacher that lives in our pleasant city recommended this exhibit to us, and since we i. will be crossing the border, we thought that it would be a good idea to learn a little more about it. The pictures were great, loved them all, but didn't understand the relation of some of them to the border. The tests of young Armondo (complete with grades) were a great idea! Movies were a good idea, as was this program. I think that an interactive spreadsheet might have helped also.
E.F.

21. Tharee Davis
1805 Anderson Rd #56
Davis, CA 95616

22. be herrera 2121 perkins way ssacra 95818

23. Beverley McQuillan
1059 Court St. #114
Woodland, Ca. 95695

24. Lynn Hershman
1935 Filbert St.
San Francisco Ca. 94123
touching on all sides

25. Alfredo Villanueva

4115 Gilbert Drive
Dallas, Texas 75219

we are not flags
ways for youth to survive
through education's our
imperative. Hay te watcho.

26. Joshua S Mehler
136 Allyn Ave
San Anselmo ca 94960

27.Betty Klausner
All our stories are important. Armando's voice is loud and clear and beautiful.

28.ERIKA HANNES
1745 Broadway
San Francisco, Ca 94109
Saludame a tu mama, y sacala a bailar!!!!!!!!

29. RAMIRO ALVAREZ
2952 21 STREET
SAN FRAN MISSION CA. 94110
PURO SFM

30. LESI SEPULONA
57- HARE STREET
SAN FRANCISCO CA. 94124
MISSION IN THE HOUSE."X-X-I-V"

31. MARTHA C. FLORES
376 PROSPECT AVE
SF. CA 94110

32. HENRY MORALES (SPANKY)
2244 23ST APT 4 SF CALIFAS C/S

33. *laurel m poole LA HUERITA*
19 dorland st.
san panchocalifas94110

Thank YOU for participating in the AZTLAN DATABASE. If you wish to participate in the Institute for Xicano Relation's on-line discussion/conference on the WELL in relation to the project "COLONIZATION: 1848-1998," please ask for assistance from Gallery Staff who will monitor your participation. You will be asked to fill out a request form and allowed thirty minutes maximum time on-line. Alternatively, you may log-on from your own personal computer by accessing the host@well.sf.ca.us, and locating topic 88 of the Spanish Conference.