

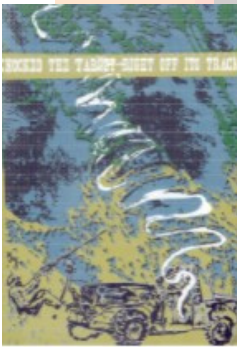
# Building Resilience through Art: Two Veterans' Experience

With Yvette M. Pino & Peter Tovar

Wednesday, November 17, 2021

12:00pm-1:00pm PT

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**Yvette M. Pino**  
**U.S. Army Veteran**

Yvette was assigned to the 101st Airborne Division, where she earned the rank of Sergeant. Sergeant Pino was deployed to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom from 2003-2004. While serving, Pino found a sense of solitude in creating works of art. Her commanding officers recognized her skill and appreciated her artwork, earning her the unofficial title of "Division Artist." After receiving her BFA from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, Pino founded the "Veteran Print Project."



**Peter Tovar**  
**U.S. Veteran & Founder of Bodega Colores**

Peter is a seminal artist in the Chicano Art movement of Los Angeles. He is a founder of Bodega Colores, on-site gallery boutique at Self Help Graphics in East Los Angeles. Peter Tovar was born in San Francisco and grew up in Campbell, a small area outside San Jose. Peter began painting after being drafted to become an airplane mechanic in Vietnam. He continued to paint after the war, and in February 1994, had his first solo exhibit at Self Help Graphics' Galeria Otra Vez. The exhibit consisted of a series of acrylic paintings.