

Fred Barraza

Manuel Fred Barraza was born in 1955 in Silver City, NM and grew up in the small communities of Fort Bayard and Santa Clara. He graduated from WNMU with a bachelor's degree in fine arts, studying under the direction of well-known artists/professors Dorothy McCray, Cecil Howard and Claude Smith. Barraza has created book covers and illustrations for over a dozen books by writer Dutch Salmon and has illustrated the bilingual book "The Cactus Wren and the Cholla" by Valerie Garcia. He has designed numerous posters for special Silver City events, the United States Forest Service and New Mexico Libraries. Barraza's prints, paintings and sketches have been shown throughout New Mexico in various shows and galleries, and he has acted as lead artist on three MRAC Youth Murals. www.barrazaart.com

