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RESIDENCE: MÉXICO

EDUCATION:
Graphic design, Escuela La Esmeralda, Instituto Nacional de Bellas Artes, México, D. F., 1959–1960
Advertising design, Escuela Libre de Publicidad, México, D. F., 1961–1962
Experimental graphics, Centro de Investigación y Experimentación Plástica, Instituto Nacional de Bellas Artes,
    México, D. F., 1981–1983
Specialized in lithography, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM), 1984–1986

CAREER:
Botanical illustrator, Instituto Nacional de Investigaciones sobre Recursos Bióticos (INIREB), 1971–1980
Scientific illustrator in biology, Instituto de Biología, UNAM, 1981–
Taught courses and participated in conferences : UNAM and other educational institutions in México; Havana, Cuba;
    Washington, DC; Córdoba, Spain
Professor of biological drawing, Faculty of Science, UNAM

MEDIA:
Pen-and-ink, pencil, watercolor, lithography

HONOR(S)/AWARD(S):
Founder/President, Mexican Academy of Scientific Illustration, 1991–1998

COLLECTIONS:
Photographic mural of illustration "Cadena alimenticia en el mar" [Food chain in the sea], Museo de La Luz,
    UNIVERSUM, México, D. F.

WORK REPRODUCED IN:
Anales de Botánica y Zoología [Annals of Botany and Zoology].
Bol. Soc. Bot. México. 1981–1998.
Calendarios del Jardín Botánico de México. [Calendars of the Botanical Garden of México].
Cuadernos del Instituto de Biología. [Notebooks of the Institute of Biology]. 1989–
Flora de Veracruz [Flora of Veracruz] No. 1–16. 1978–1981.
Instituto de Biología [Institute of Biology] UNAM. 1981–1998.
Mamíferos de México [Mammals of México]. [In press].
Muestras de la flora de Tabasco [Examples of the flora of Tabasco]. 1987.
Muestras de la fauna de Tabasco [Examples of the fauna of Tabasco]. 1988.
Publicaciones especiales del Instituto de Biología [Special Publications of the Institute of Biology]. 1989– .

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Chiranthodendron pentadactylon (Flor de la manita)   1996
Watercolor   53 x 37 cm.
Hunt Institute collection, gift from the artist