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Purépecha Dancer/Danzante Purépecha, Mecca, CA, 2015 From the series, "Coachella Farm Workers"

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Featuring three bodies of work realized over the last decade—Coachella Valley Farm Workers (2015), Cuyama (2019), and Imperial Air (2019)—this exhibition illuminates long-obscured histories of Central and Inland Southern California's working people and communities of color. It highlights how residents in each region grapple with the social and environmental consequences of extractive economies (oil, agriculture, logistics) and organize for change.

Regional History poses questions about the relationship between power, historical narrative, and the continued exploitation of historically marginalized communities, as it also presents ongoing resistance to these forces, whether through activism, cultural preservation, or the richness of family and daily life.

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