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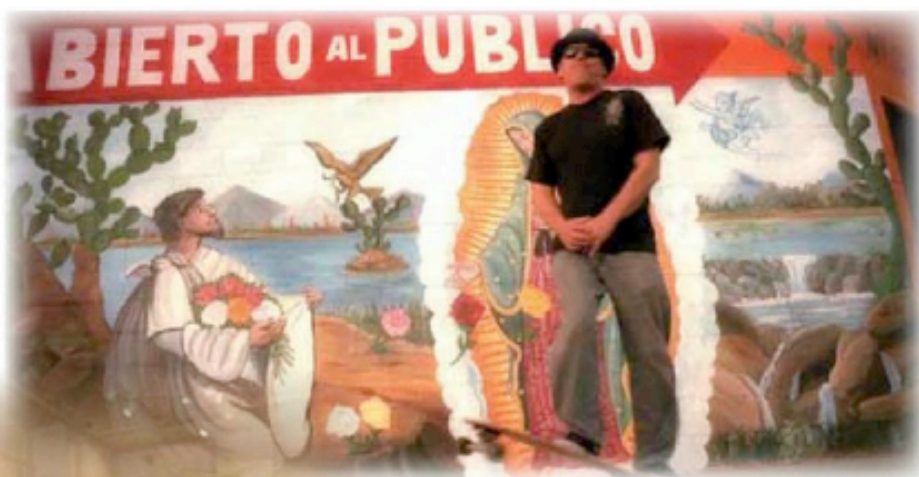
Art and Culture

ARTIST

DAVE TOURJE

UNITES RENOWNED ARTISTS AROUND MESSAGE BORN IN SoCal

Los Angeles, CA - The short film about LA artist Dave Tourje, entitled "LA Aboriginal", has given birth to a new feature-length documentary now in production entitled "California Locos". The feature will tell the story of the rich, eclectic heritage of SoCal, it's dynamic subcultures of surf, skate, hot rod, graffiti, rock and roll, tattoo and gang culture and how they came to influence such renowned artists as Chaz Bojorquez, Brad Howe, John Van Hamersveld, Norton Wisdom, Gary Wong, Dave Tourje and beyond. As "LA Aboriginal" gets submitted to film festivals worldwide, Dolce Films is nearing completion of the trailer for "California Locos". Says Bayou Bennett and Daniel Lir of Dolce Films - "These artists have lived the SoCal subculture dream and have helped create the realities we all now feed off of." "From underground music through surf and skate, the new film will unearth never-before-seen origins of the subculture reality that infuses visual culture as we now know it." Flanking the release of the film, the artists plan museum and gallery shows during 2012 at major SoCal venues.





TOURJÉ



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Dave Tourjé was born and raised in the culturally eclectic Northeast L.A. of the 1970s and his upbringing amongst the skaters, gangs, and the area's tribal friction play heavily in his work. Also a musician, Tourjé was a member of the influential L.A. band the Dissidents, playing shows with Camper Van Beethoven, Saccharine Trust, The Minutemen to name a few. Tourjé's artwork oscillates between high and low, punk and institutional hegemony and was the subject of a one-man exhibition covering 15 years of paintings on acrylic glass at the Riverside Art Museum in 2002. It has been featured at the Oceanside Museum of Art, the Orange County Museum of Art, and Laguna Art Museum.