

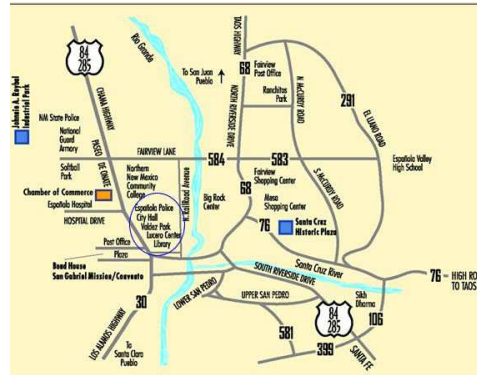


## The Española Valley

### The Heart of Northern New Mexico

Espanola was founded in 1598 by Spain as the first capital of New Mexico. It sits in the northern Rio Grande Valley between the Jemez Mountains and Truchas Peaks, and is a very convenient base for exploring Northern New Mexico. Espanola has many lodging options and the best selection of restaurants. Don't miss the world-class local artists. Let us be your tour guide through the Beautiful Espanola Valley

NNMRAC's *Convento Gallery and Gift Shop* are complemented by the *Mision and Bond House Museums*. The *Mision Museum* is an authentic adobe recreation of the San Gabriel Mission founded by Juan de Onate in 1598. Paintings in the Museum depict the area's history from colonization to the Manhattan Project. It also houses a fine collection of Hispanic traditional and folk arts created by local contemporary artists. The *Bond House Museum* honors the history of the Mercantile era along El Camino Real. Built by Frank Bond a merchant and wool grower. A successful businessman, he also was instrumental in bringing the railroad to the Española Valley. The *Bond House Museum* hosts historic and contemporary exhibitions.



**NNMRAC** is located in the City of Española “the heart of Northern New Mexico”—midway between Santa Fe and Taos and Santa Fe and Abiquiu.

To reach us From Santa Fe take U.S. 285/84 approximately 30 miles to truck route 285/84 (San Pedro Plaza will be on the left). Make a left at the stop light and travel across the Rio Grande River to NM 30. Bear right on NM 30. Make a left at the second traffic light to the Plaza de Española.



Mary Poweell, *Mother Ditch*  
Featured in the exhibition “Water, Water, Everywhere.”

## Northern New Mexico Regional Art Center

# NNMRAC

### On the Plaza de Española

*The Gateway to  
Northern New Mexico*



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# Art services for the communities of Northern New Mexico



Convento Gallery Gift Shop

## **NNMRAC**

The Northern New Mexico Regional Art Center (NNMRAC) opened its gallery and gift shop in Española in April, 2010. Although new to the community, NNMRAC is in fact a 35 year old nonprofit arts and education organization serving the region. Our *Convento Gallery and Gift Shop* feature the work of artists from Northern New Mexico. Exhibitions change monthly and are usually thematic in content. The Gallery also sponsors gallery talks, lectures, and demonstrations by exhibiting and/or guest artists. Our art education services are designed to serve diverse populations in the community including, school children, teens, senior citizens, and adults with disabilities. We also sponsor two arts and crafts fairs that are held on the Plaza and concerts and readings. NNMRAC and the City of Española work together as partners to celebrate the rich tradition of arts and crafts of Northern New Mexico and to enhance education opportunities to the community.

## **OUR PROGRAMS**

- Fine Art Exhibitions
- Consignment Gift Shop
- Public Art Projects
- Folk & Traditional Art Workshops
- After school classes and classes for senior citizens
- Classes for adults with disabilities

## **OUR FACILITIES**

NNMRAC is located in the Convento on the Plaza de Española. The Convento is part of the recreated San Gabriel Mision, the first church built in Northern New Mexico by the Spanish in 1598. Called the Mision Museum the building houses a beautiful collection of traditional folk arts and a series of murals that depict the history of New Mexico.

NNMRAC operates the Convento Gallery and a Consignment Gift Shop, featuring original art by New Mexican artists. Classes are held at the Española YMCA and Senior Center. NNMRAC also hosts two arts and crafts fairs each year

## **MEMBERSHIP**

NNMRAC is a membership organization whose mission is to provide educational outreach and opportunities for professional artists living in Northern New Mexico. Special programs serve “at risk” youth, under-served populations and tribal communities. NNMRAC is an inclusive and multi-cultural organization. Joining NNMRAC provides many rewards, not the least of which is the knowledge that one is supporting the visual arts in the region. Benefits include, invitations to openings and receptions, receipt of our newsletter, the opportunity to sell work in the Convento Gallery and/or the Gift Shop, a discount on all merchandise at upper level memberships. We invite you to join us and to help the arts in New Mexico thrive.

## **CATEGORIES**

Individual	\$35
Seniors	\$30
Students	\$20
Family	\$45
O’Keefe	\$100
Rembrandt	\$250
Michelangelo	\$400

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