Seven Trees

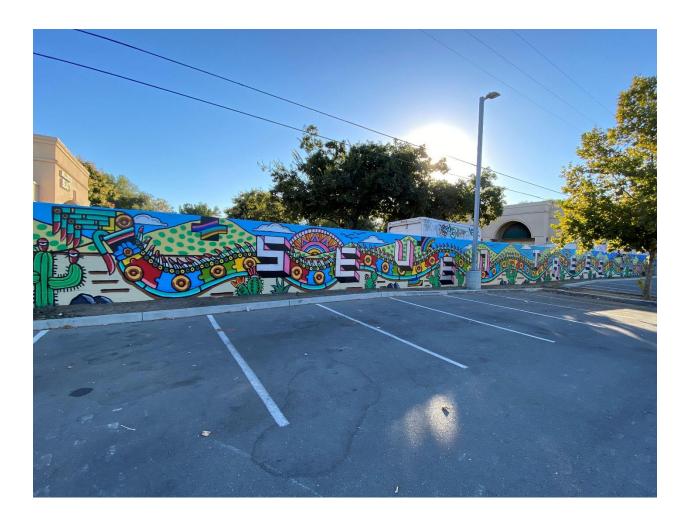
Artists: Hector Huizar

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ABOUT THE PROJECT

The Seven Trees Neighborhood Association (STNA) lead a project for a mural on the wall that borders the parking lot area adjacent to the main entrance of the Seven Trees Community Center and Library. Over time, this very long wall has continued to be a source of blight due to tagging and graffiti and was a chronic issue that required ongoing graffiti-abatement treatment. The mural project was developed in response to calls from the community to beautify this space.



ABOUT THE ARTIST

Hector Huizar is a local San José artist specializing in traditional pre-Hispanic art. Huizar's mural design depicts Quetzalcoatl (Mayan serpent diety) flying through San José in a scene that flows from day to night, with Seven Trees written in bold letters. The theme is inspired by Aztec/Mayan images and symbols but also incorporates some of San José's history. The mural is covers most of the wall and is 340' long and 7' tall.

ABOUT THE PUBLIC ART PROGRAM

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