

Mikaela Selley, CA

BIO

Mikaela Selley is a native Houstonian with over a decade of professional experience as an archivist specializing in the preservation of Hispanic and Latina/o heritage records. She is an Archivist and Program Manager for the Recovering the US Hispanic Literary Heritage Project at Arte Público Press where she oversees the Periodicals in the US-Mexico Border Region, and archival collections. In this role she supervises and trains high school, undergraduate, and graduate students year round in archival processing and digitization. Selley also oversees special projects including Recovery's annual Community Archiving Day.

Prior to these roles, she served as the Hispanic Collections Archivist for the Houston History Research Center (HHRC), a special collections branch of the Houston Public Library, where she oversaw the growth and promotion of the Hispanic Heritage collections.

Selley also works as an Independent Consultant offering research, planning, archival and exhibit design services for cultural heritage projects. Her most recent curatorial projects include a permanent installation at Ripley House in Second Ward titled "Inspiring Generations of Service: A Tribute to the Fraga Family." In partnership with a graphic designer, she created a 23-foot-long historical timeline of the Fraga Family. Selley also curated a major exhibition titled "A Civil Rights Milestone: President Kennedy's Visit with LULAC in Houston" that was on display in the fall of 2023 at the Heritage Society.

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